



2024 John Deere Classic

(The 30th of 36 events in the FedExCup Regular Season)

Silvis, Illinois
TPC Deere Run

July 4 – 7, 2024
Par/Yards: 35-36—71/7,289

FedExCup Points: 500 (winner)
Purse: \$8,000,000 (\$1,440,000)

First-Round Notes – Thursday, July 4, 2024

Weather: Partly cloudy. High of 83. Wind S 6-12 mph. Preferred lies were in effect for the first round.

First-Round Leaderboard

Pos.	Player	Total
1	Hayden Springer	59 (-12)
2	Sami Valimaki	61 (-10)
3	Eric Cole	62 (-9)
T4	Four players	63 (-8)

Hayden Springer (1st/-12)

14th sub-60 score in PGA TOUR history

- Highlighted by eight birdies and two eagles in his John Deere Classic debut, PGA TOUR rookie signs for a 12-under 59
- 13th different player (14 times) to shoot a sub-60 round on the PGA TOUR (Jim Furyk has a 58 and 59)
- With a span of 12 days, becomes second 59 on TOUR this season (Cameron Young/TPC River Highlands/R3)
- Marks second-shortest time span between sub-60 rounds on TOUR (2017/Justin Thomas and Adam Hadwin/9 days)
- Third season with multiple sub-60 rounds on TOUR (2010 Paul Goydos and Stuart Appleby, 2017 Justin Thomas and Adam Hadwin)
- 5,110 days since Paul Goydos shot 59 (R1) at TPC Deere Run in 2010 (finished second)
- Courses to give up multiple sub-60 scores: TPC Deere Run (Goydos/Springer), TPC River Highlands (Jim Furyk/Cameron Young) and The Old White TPC (Stuart Appleby/Kevin Chappell)
- Opens round with a career-best nine-hole score of 8-under 27, setting the John Deere Classic record (previous 28: Zach Johnson/2006/R1, Kent Jones/2006/R2, Sepp Straka/2023/R4)
- Round includes 10-of-14 fairways, 14-of-18 greens in regulation and 21 total putts (sank 112' 6" of putts)
- Becomes the first player in TOUR history to play his final two holes in 3-under par en route to a sub-60
- Career-low round on TOUR comes in his 19th start; previous best: 8-under (64/R1/2024 American Express)

Sub-60 Rounds:

Player	Date	Age (Y-M-D)	Rd	Since Last (Y-M-D)	Event	Course (Par/Yards)	Out-In
Hayden Springer	7/4/24	27-5-25	1	0-0-12	John Deere Classic TPC Deere Run	71 / 7,289	27-32=59
Cameron Young	6/22/24	27-1-15	3	3-10-1	Travelers Championship TPC River Highlands	70 / 6,835	28-31=59
Scottie Scheffler	8/21/20	24-2-0	2	0-11-8	FedEx St. Jude Championship TPC Boston	71 / 7,308	30-29=59
Kevin Chappell	9/13/19	33-2-5	2	1-0-28	A Military Tribute at The Greenbrier The Old White TPC	70 / 7,111	31-28=59
Brandt Snedeker	8/16/18	37-8-9	1	1-6-26	Wyndham Championship Sedgefield CC	70 / 6,970	32-27=59
Adam Hadwin	1/21/17	29-2-20	3	0-0-9	The American Express La Quinta CC	72 / 7,060	29-30=59
Justin Thomas	1/12/17	23-8-14	1	0-5-5	Sony Open in Hawaii Waialae CC	70 / 7,005	30-29*=59

Jim Furyk	8/7/16	46-2-26	4	2-10-25	Travelers Championship TPC River Highlands	70 / 6,841	27-31=58
Jim Furyk	9/13/13	43-4-1	2	3-1-12	BMW Championship Conway Farms	71 / 7,149	31-28=59
Stuart Appleby	8/1/10	39-3-0	4	0-0-24	A Military Tribute at The Greenbrier The Old White Course	70 / 7,031	28-31=59
Paul Goydos	7/8/10	46-0-19	1	11-5-166	John Deere Classic TPC Deere Run	71 / 7,268	31-28=59
David Duval	1/24/99	27-2-15	5	7-3-105	The American Express PGA West – Palmer	72 / 6,950	31-28=59
Chip Beck	10/11/91	35-0-30	3	14-4-123	Shriners Children’s Open Sunrise GC	72 / 6,914	30- 29*=59
Al Geiberger	6/10/77	39-9-9	2	N/A	FedEx St. Jude Classic Colonial CC – South	72 / 7,282	29-30=59

Sub-60 Rounds: Statistical Breakdown

	Year	Eagles	Birdies	Pars	Bogeys	Fairways	GIR	Putts	Last Putt
Hayden Springer	2024	2	8	8	0	10 of 14	14/18	21	12’ 8” – birdie
Cameron Young	2024	2	7	9	0	6 of 14	15/18	24	9’ 7” – par
Scottie Scheffler	2020	0	12	6	0	7 of 14	16/18	23	4’ 6” – birdie
Kevin Chappell	2019	0	11	7	0	8 of 14	17/18	24	1’ 2” - par
Brandt Snedeker	2018	1	10	6	1	9 of 14	15/18	22	20’ 4” - birdie (from fringe)
Adam Hadwin	2017	0	13*	5	0	12 of 14	15/18	21	4-foot - par
Justin Thomas	2017	2	8	7	1	8 of 14	14/18	23	14’ 11”- eagle
Jim Furyk	2016	1	10	7	0	14 of 14	18/18	24	2’ 0” - par
Jim Furyk	2013	1	11	5	1	14 of 14	17/18	23	3’ 3”- birdie
Stuart Appleby	2010	1	9	8	0	11 of 14	15/18	23	10’ 10”- birdie
Paul Goydos	2010	0	12	6	0	13 of 14	16/18	22	7-foot birdie
David Duval	1999	1	11	6	0	11 of 13	17/18	23	6-foot eagle
Chip Beck	1991	0	13*	5	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	3-foot birdie
Al Geiberger	1977	1	11	6	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	8-foot birdie

*All-time PGA TOUR Record for Most Birdies in a Round

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Springer on the PGA TOUR this season

- Holds the lead for the first time after any round on the PGA TOUR
- Best 18-hole position on the PGA TOUR prior to this week was T5/2024 American Express (missed 54-hole cut)
- Two top-10 finishes in 14 events: T3/Puerto Rico Open, T10/Rocket Mortgage Classic
- Prior to last week’s T10 at the Rocket Mortgage Classic, had missed six consecutive cuts

Additional Player Notes

- Finland’s **Sami Valimaki** carded a 10-under 61 in his first John Deere Classic start, good for solo-second; after earning exempt status to the PGA TOUR by way of the top 10 in the 2023 DP World Tour Eligibility Ranking category, seeks a second top 10 of the season (2nd/Mexico Open at Vidanta)
- Following last week’s T6 at the Rocket Mortgage Classic, **Eric Cole** (3rd/-9) is making his third John Deere Classic start (MC/2021, T42/2023); the 62 falls a stroke shy of his career-best (61/R3/2023 RSM Classic)
- Coming off a T10 in last week’s Rocket Mortgage Classic, 20-year-old amateur **Luke Clanton** opened with an 8-under 63 (T4); in the Florida State University Seminole’s only other PGA TOUR start prior to the Rocket Mortgage Classic, finished T41 at the 2024 U.S. Open
- Making his 22nd consecutive start in the John Deere Classic, 2012 champion **Zach Johnson** (T15/-6) records his lowest opening-round score at TPC Deere Run since starting the 2017 event with the same number en route to his most recent of seven top-10 finishes in the event (T5)
- In his bid to become the first player to successfully defend a John Deere Classic title since Steve Stricker in 2011, **Sepp Straka** stands T27 after an opening-round 5-under 66
- 2013 and 2015 John Deere Classic champion **Jordan Spieth** sits T90 after an opening-round 2-under 69; on his way to winning, opened with a 1-under 70 in 2013 and even-par 71 in 2015; making his fifth start in the John Deere Classic and first since his 2015 victory