



PUERTO RICO OPEN

**2024 Puerto Rico Open**  
*(The 11<sup>th</sup> of 36 events in the PGA TOUR Season)*

Rio Grande, Puerto Rico  
Grand Reserve Golf Club

March 7-10, 2024  
Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,506

Purse: \$4,000,000 (\$720,000/winner)  
FedExCup: 300 points (winner)

**FINAL Second-Round Notes – Saturday, March 9, 2023**

**Weather:** Partly cloudy. High of 86. Wind E 12-16 mph, gusting to 20 mph. Round two resumed at 6:58 a.m. and concluded at 8:02 a.m. The third round will feature threesomes off No. 1 between from 8:30 a.m. – 12:50 p.m.

**Cut:** 71 professionals and one amateur at 4-under 140 from a field of 127 professionals and five amateurs. **Jackson Van Paris**, the lone amateur to make the cut, made par at his final hole (No. 9) for a 2-under 70 to make the cut on the number.

**FINAL Second-Round Leaderboard**

Joe Highsmith	65-65—130 (-14)
Matti Schmid	67-65—132 (-12)
Kevin Streelman	65-67—132 (-12)
Rafa Campos	65-67—132 (-12)
Ryo Hisatune	65-67—132 (-12)
Brice Garnett	66-66—132 (-12)
Erik Barnes	66-66—132 (-12)

**Joe Highsmith (1<sup>st</sup>/-13)**

- In his sixth start of his PGA TOUR rookie season, Lakewood, Washington native was 6-under through 15 holes in round two, 13-under total, when play was called for the day Friday (darkness); played his remaining three holes (Nos. 7-9) Saturday morning in par-birdie-par to sign for a 7-under 65
- In eight career TOUR starts before this week, his best position through 36 holes was T10 at the 2024 Farmers Insurance Open (finished T33); the Torrey Pines result also stands as his as his best TOUR finish
- Posted back-to-back top-3 finishes to finish in the top 30 of the 2023 Korn Ferry Tour Points List and earn his PGA TOUR rookie status for this season
- If not otherwise exempt, the winner of this week's Puerto Rico Open earns a spot into next week's PLAYERS Championship field, as well as other select events

**Miscellaneous Notes**

- On the heels of a first-round 5-under 67, 26-year-old German **Matti Schmid (T2/-12)** improved with a bogey-free 7-under 65 in Friday's second round; in his only previous Puerto Rico Open start, finished T33 in 2023; comes into the week after a start to the season defined by six starts and six missed cuts
- Making his fifth start in the Puerto Rico Open and first since 2013, after signing for a 7-under 65 in round one Friday morning, **Kevin Streelman (T2/-12)** backed it up with a 5-under 67 in round two to reach 12-under 132; Puerto Rico Open history: 2008/MC, 2010/T3, 2012/MC and 2013/MC; seeks a third career PGA TOUR win: 2013 Valspar Championship, 2014 Travelers Championship
- Following a first-round 7-under 65, taking until Friday morning to complete due to Thursday storms, San Juan's **Rafa Campos (T2/-12)** turned around to post a 5-under 67 in round two and reach 12-under 132; three top-10s in 14 starts in the event (T8/2016, T10/2017, T3/2021); best of 58 TOUR starts: T2/2021 Corales Puntacana Championship
- Competing on the PGA TOUR this season by virtue of finishing inside the top 10 in the 2023 DP World Tour Eligibility Ranking, **Ryo Hisatune (T2/-12)** followed an opening-round bogey-free 7-under 65 with a bogey-free 5-under 67 in round two; is the only player bogey-free through 36 holes
- Making his first start of the season and eighth in the Puerto Rico Open, **Brice Garnett (T2/-12)** opened with matching 6-under 66s to reach 12-under 132; 12-under through 36 holes falls one shy of his lowest on TOUR; opened with 63-68 at the 2018 Corales Puntacana Championship to reach 13-under; won the event by four strokes
- Seeking to become the first player to successfully defend a Puerto Rico Open title, **Nico Echavarria (T15/-9)** opened in 68-67 to reach 9-under 135; only Michael Bradley (2009, 2011) has won the event more than once

- Making his second start in the Puerto Rico Open (T2/2019), **Daniel Berger** followed a bogey-free 3-under 69 in round one with a 1-over 73 in Friday's second round to miss the cut
- Five amateurs are competing in this week's Puerto Rico Open: **Jackson Van Paris** (T55/-4), **Justin Hastings** (MC/-3), **Gareth Steyn** (MC/E), **Evan Pena** (MC/+4), **Kelvin Hernandez** (MC/+10)