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First-Round Notes - Thursday, June 20, 2024

Weather: Partly cloudy. High of 93. Wind SW 10-15 mph, gusting to 18 mph.

Round two update: Tee times will begin at 7:05 a.m., one hour earlier than originally scheduled, due to forecasted inclement

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First-Round Leaderboard

Pos.	Player	Total
1	Tom Kim	62
T2	Akshay Bhatia	64
T2	Rickie Fowler	64
T2	Kurt Kitayama	64
T2	Will Zalatoris	64

Tom Kim (1st/-8)

- Posts his lowest 18-hole score this season and holds his first 18-hole lead/co-lead on TOUR
- Seeks fourth PGA TOUR win in his 63rd start (2022 Wyndham Championship, 2022 Shriners Children's Open, 2023 Shriners Children's Open); owns two Asian Tour wins (2019 Panasonic Open India, 2022 Singapore International)
- With his win at the 2023 Shriner's Children's Open, is the most recent winner from South Korea; looks to become the
 first player from South Korea to win the Travelers Championship; six international players from five different countries
 have claimed this title
- With rounds of 69-64-72-65, finished T38 in 2023, his one prior appearance at the Travelers Championship
- Best result this season is T4 at the RBC Canadian Open
- Celebrates his 22nd birthday on Friday, June 21
- Owns five rounds of 62 or better on TOUR:

Score	Tournament/Round	Result
61	2022 Wyndham Championship (R4)	Won
62	2023 American Express (R2)	T6
62	2022 Shriners Children's Open (R3)	Won
62	2023 Shriners Children's Open (R3)	Won
62	2024 Travelers Championship (R1)	TBD

Additional Player Notes

- Making his tournament debut, **Akshay Bhatia** (T2/-6) posts fourth round of 64 or better this season; two lefthanders have won this event in the last 25 years: Phil Mickelson (2001, 2002), Bubba Watson (2010, 2015, 2018)
- Rickie Fowler (T2/-6) cards his lowest opening round on TOUR since the 2023 U.S. Open (62); marks his second opening round in the 60s in 17 starts this season (67/AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am); in six prior appearances at this event he owns three T13 finishes (2010, 2013, 2023) and three missed cuts (2009, 2021, 2022)
- **Kurt Kitayama** (T2/-6) seeks his second top-10 result this season (T8/WM Phoenix Open); makes second appearance at this event (MC/2023); leads in Stokes Gained: Around The Green (2.580)
- Making his tournament debut, **Will Zalatoris** (T2/-6) leads the field in Strokes Gained: Tee To Green (3.905); records eight birdies, including seven in a nine-hole stretch on hole Nos. 7-15
- World No. 1 and FedExCup leader **Scottie Scheffler** (T6/-5) hits 17 of 18 greens in regulation en route to a 5-under 65 to snap his streak of five consecutive over-par rounds
- With a top-10 finish this week, 2022 Travelers Championship winner **Xander Schauffele** (T6/-5) would post five consecutive top-10 finishes in individual stroke play events for the first time in his career

- Patrick Rodgers (T6/-5) is one of 12 players in the field this week looking for their first TOUR victory (last player to make the Travelers Championship his first TOUR title: Ken Duke/2013)
- Defending champion **Keegan Bradley** (T33/-1) attempts to become the first player since Phil Mickelson (2001-2002) to win consecutive Travelers Championship titles
- Making his first start as a professional after joining the TOUR as the PGA TOUR University No. 1, **Michael Thorbjornsen** sits T61 at 2-over
- 265 birdies marks the fewest number of birdies in the opening round at TPC River Highlands since 1990 (1993 364)
- **Byeong Hun An** withdrew during the first round with illness





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