

2024 Mitsubishi Electric Classic presented by Vensure



First-Round Notes

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TPC Sugarloaf | Duluth, Georgia

8th of 28 PGA TOUR Champions events in the 2024 Season

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- **Course Setup:** Par 72 / 7,076 yards
- **Round 1 Scoring Average:** 71.883
- **Weather:** Mostly cloudy with temps in the 70s and winds E/SE at 8-15 mph
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	Player	To Par	Scores
T1	Steven Alker	-7	33-32 – 65
T1	Doug Barron	-7	33-32 – 65
T3	Shane Bertsch	-6	33-33 – 66
T3	Tim Petrovic	-6	33-33 – 66
T5	Paul Broadhurst	-5	34-33 – 67
T5	Richard Green	-5	33-34 – 67
T5	John Senden	-5	32-35 – 67

Things to Know

- Charles Schwab Cup leader **Steven Alker** and **Doug Barron** share the first-round lead after each opening with 7-under 65 at the Mitsubishi Electric Classic presented by Vensure.

Steven Alker, 33-32 – 65 (-7)

- This is his ninth time leading/co-leading after the first round on PGA TOUR Champions (third time in 2024)
 - Is 4-for-8 converting those into victories (1-for-2 in 2024)
- The 52-year-old seeks his ninth win on PGA TOUR Champions (59th start)
- Making his sixth start of the 2024 season, he has one win and two runner-up finishes
 - Won the Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai (January 18-20)
- Looks to become the first multi-time winner this season on PGA TOUR Champions
 - Note: This is the eighth tournament of the 2024 season
- Has led the Charles Schwab Cup standings for all seven weeks of the 2024 season
- This is his first appearance at the Mitsubishi Electric Classic

Doug Barron, 33-32 – 65 (-7)

- This is his fifth time leading/co-leading after the first round on PGA TOUR Champions
 - Is 1-for-4 converting those into victories
- This is his low 18-hole score since the 2023 Hoag Classic (1st Round), when he shot 65
- The 54-year-old seeks his third win on PGA TOUR Champions (81st start)
 - 2019 DICK'S Sporting Goods Open
 - 2021 Shaw Charity Classic
- Making his fifth start of the 2024 season, his best finish is T12 (Invited Celebrity Classic)
- Making his third appearance at the Mitsubishi Electric Classic, his best finish is T5 (2021)

Other Notes

- **Shane Bertsch** sits T3 after opening with bogey-free 66. The 54-year-old seeks his second win on PGA TOUR Champions (89th start).
 - Last win: 2020 Charles Schwab Series at Bass Pro Shops Big Cedar Lodge
- Seeking his first win on PGA TOUR Champions, **Tim Petrovic** carded bogey-free 66 and sits T3. Petrovic has 11 runner-up finishes on PGA TOUR Champions (158th start).
- Looking to win in back-to-back weeks, **Paul Broadhurst** sits T5 after shooting 5-under 67. The 58-year-old's victory at last week's Invited Celebrity Classic was his sixth win on PGA TOUR Champions.
 - The last player to win back-to-back weeks on PGA TOUR Champions was Bernhard Langer (2017 Dominion Energy Charity Classic; 2017 Invesco QQQ Championship).
- Seeking his first win on PGA TOUR Champions, **Richard Green** posted 5-under 67 and sits T5.
 - Best finish: 2nd (2023 Dominion Energy Charity Classic)
- Making his 57th start on PGA TOUR Champions, **John Senden** sits T5 after shooting 5-under 67.
 - This is his second consecutive week inside the top 6 after the first round (was T6 at last week's Invited Celebrity Classic). He had been inside the top 6 after the first round one time in his first 55 starts on PGA TOUR Champions (was T4 at the 2023 Constellation FURYK & FRIENDS).
 - Best finish on PGA TOUR Champions: T7 (2021 Sanford International)
- Two-time champion **Stephen Ames** (2017, 2023) sits T27 after shooting 1-under 71.
- Tournament host **Stewart Cink** opened with 1-under 71 and sits T27.
- Two players made holes-in-one on the 147-yard par-3 second hole. **David Bransdon** (T46) used a 9-iron and **Ricardo Gonzalez** (T32) used a pitching wedge.