2024 Principal Charity Classic

Final-Round Notes Sunday, June 2, 2024

Wakonda Club | Des Moines, Iowa 12th of 28 PGA TOUR Champions events in the 2024 Season



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Course Setup: Par 72 / 6,848 yards
 Round 3 Scoring Average: 69.179
 Cumulative Scoring Average: 69.474

Weather: Mostly cloudy with temps in the low-80s and winds S/SE at 10-16 mph

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Final Results

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	Player	To Par	Scores	Money	Charles Schwab Cup
1	Ernie Els	-21	62-68-65 – 195	\$300,000	4th
2	Stephen Ames	-19	64-67-66 – 197	\$176,000	2nd
T3	David Duval	-17	67-65-67 – 199	\$120,000	51st
T3	Rod Pampling	-17	65-65-69 – 199	\$120,000	29th
T3	Bernhard Langer	-17	68-63-68 – 199	\$120,000	36th

Things to Know

- World Golf Hall of Fame member **Ernie Els**, who held at least a share of the lead after each of the first two rounds, closed with bogey-free 65 to win the Principal Charity Classic.
- Els matched the low round of the day and finished two strokes ahead of defending champion **Stephen Ames**, who finished runner-up.
- World Golf Hall of Fame member and 46-time PGA TOUR Champions winner Bernhard Langer finished T3
 along with David Duval, who notched his best finish on PGA TOUR Champions, and 36-hole co-leader Rod
 Pampling.

Ernie Els, 62-68-65 - 195 (-21)

- The 54-year-old earned his fourth win on PGA TOUR Champions (90 starts)
 - o 2020 Hoag Classic
 - o 2020 SAS Championship
 - o 2023 Hoag Classic
 - 2024 Principal Charity Classic
- This was his low 54-hole score on PGA TOUR Champions (195)
 - o Previous low: 197 (2020 Hoag Classic)
- This was the low 54-hole score in the 23-year history of the Principal Charity Classic
 - Previous low: 197 (two times; last: Jay Haas, 2012)
- Moves up to No. 4 in the Charles Schwab Cup standings after earning his first win of the 2024 season (nine starts)
 - Previous best finish in 2024: T3 (two times; last: Regions Tradition)
- This was the third consecutive tournament he led/co-led entering the final round
 - Was T1 at the Regions Tradition (finished T3)
 - Was T1 at the KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship (finished T6)
 - Was T1 at the Principal Charity Classic (Won)
- Has led/co-led after six of his last 11 rounds on PGA TOUR Champions, including all three rounds this week
 - o This week: solo lead after the first round; co-lead after the second round
- In three previous appearances at the Principal Charity Classic, his best finish was T9 (2023)

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Other Notes

- In his bid to win a third Principal Charity Classic title in the last four years, **Stephen Ames** finished runner-up at 19-under after closing with 66. It was his third top-2 finish of the season (11 starts) as he remains No. 2 in the Charles Schwab Cup standings.
- Making his fourth start since returning from an Achilles injury, 66-year-old **Bernhard Langer** finished T3 at 17-under. He closed with 68, playing his first 13 holes in 6-under before playing the final five holes in 2-over.
 - o This was his 115th top-3 finish on PGA TOUR Champions (345 starts)
- 36-hole co-leader **Rod Pampling** closed with 69 to finish T3 at 17-under. This was his best finish of the 2024 season (11 starts).
 - o Previous best finish in 2024: T10 (two times; last: Insperity Invitational)
- Seeking his first win since 2001, David Duval finished T3 at 17-under. This was his first top-10 finish on PGA TOUR Champions (46 starts).
 - Previous best finish on PGA TOUR Champions: T11 (2023 SAS Championship)
- Rookie Heath Slocum and World Golf Hall of Fame member Vijay Singh each finished T6 at 16-under.
- In his PGA TOUR Champions debut, **Chad Campbell** finished T8 at 15-under along with **Steven Alker**, who remains atop the Charles Schwab Cup standings.
- In addition to Els, Steve Flesch (T12) and Billy Andrade (T18) matched the low round of the day (65).
- Three-time champion (2007, 2008, 2012) **Jay Haas** (53rd) shot his age or better for the second consecutive day. The 70-year-old shot 67 in Saturday's second round and 69 in Sunday's final round.