2024 SAS Championship

Final-Round Notes Sunday, October 13, 2024

Prestonwood Country Club | Cary, North Carolina 25th of 28 PGA TOUR Champions events in the 2024 Season



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Course Setup: Par 72 / 7,204 yards
Round 3 Scoring Average: 72.494
Cumulative Scoring Average: 72.066

• Weather: Sunny, with a high of 80. Wind SW 8-14, with gusts to 22 mph.

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Final Standings

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Pos.	Player	To Par	Scores	Money	Charles Schwab Cup
1	Jerry Kelly	-13	67-69-67—203	\$315,000	9
2	Padraig Harrington	-12	66-67-71—204	\$184,800	10
3	Shane Bertsch	-10	69-67-70—206	\$151,200	26
4	Angel Cabrera	-9	71-69-67—207	\$126,000	54

Need to Know

• As he continues to contend with Rheumatoid arthritis, Madison, Wisconsin's **Jerry Kelly** overcomes a three-stroke deficit beginning the final round with a 5-under 67 to claim his second SAS Championship title (2019) and 12th career win on PGA TOUR Champions.

Jerry Kelly (1st/-13)

- Beginning the final round three strokes off Padraig Harrington's lead, the 2019 SAS Championship winner birdied three of his first five holes en route to a 5-under 67 and one-stroke win over Padraig Harrington at 13-under 203.
- His 12th career PGA TOUR Champions title comes in his 171st start at the age of 57 years, 10 months, 20 days and marks his first win since the 2022 Rogers Charity Classic.
- With the win, he moves from No. 11 to 9th in the Charles Schwab Cup as the Playoffs get underway this week at the Dominion Energy Charity Classic.
- The victory comes in his seventh SAS Championship start and marks his fifth top-6 finish in the event; he has never finished higher than T19 (2023).
- With the win, he joins **Bruce Lietzke** (2001, 2002), **Russ Cochran** (2010, 2013) and **Bernhard Langer** (2012, 2018) as multiple winners of the SAS Championship.
- With scores of 67-69-67 this week, he extends his near-perfect record of sub-par scores at Prestonwood Country Club to 19-of-21; is now a collective 78-under par in 21 competitive rounds at Prestonwood Country Club.
- The win marks his eighth top-10 finish of the season and is his first since finishing T7 at the Sanford International two starts ago in mid-September.

Other Notes

- Needing par on the 54th hole to force sudden death with Jerry Kelly, World Golf Hall of Fame member and 36-hole leader **Padraig Harrington** succumbed to a bogey and runner-up finish in his third SAS Championship start at 12-under 204; the runner-up finish marked his sixth top-10 finish of the season, which includes two victories (Hoag Classic, DICK'S Open); he was in search of a ninth win on PGA TOUR Champions.
- Shane Bertsch, who closed last week's Constellation FURYK & FRIENDS with an 8-under 64 to finish T18, closed his fourth SAS Championship with a 2-under 70 to finish solo-third at 10-under 206; with his first top-10 in the event, he moves up to No. 26 in the Charles Schwab Cup standings.

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- Following runner-up finishes in each of his two previous SAS Championship starts of 2022 and 203, **Steven Alker** closed with a 3-under 69 to finish T5 at 8-under 208; the finish marks his 15th top 10 this season (19 starts) and fourth in as many starts on PGA TOUR Champions.
- With a closing 4-under 68, Ken Duke finished T7 at 7-under 209, good for his fourth consecutive top-20 finish on PGA TOUR Champions this season: T7/SAS Championship, T18/Constellation FURYK & FRIENDS, T14/PURE Insurance Championship, T7/Sanford International; with this week's finish, moves to No. 29 in the Charles Schwab Cup.
- **David Duval** withdrew before the final round (shoulder injury); **Richard Green** withdrew during the final round (back injury).
- The SAS Championship served as the final opportunity for players to maintain or earn their position within the top 72 of the Charles Schwab Cup standings and advance to the *Charles Schwab Cup Playoffs*, beginning with this week's Dominion Energy Charity Classic in Richmond, Virginia. Here's a look at how those around the bubble did:

Before SAS Championship	After SAS Championship	
70. Billy Mayfair	70. Billy Mayfair (T38)	
71. Lee Janzen	71. Woody Austin (T17)	
72. Arjun Atwal (not in field)	72. Lee Janzen (T47)	
73. Woody Austin	73. Arjun Atwal (DNP)	
74. Rob Labritz	74. Rob Labritz (T24)	