



2025 PGA Championship (23rd of 36 FedExCup Regular Season events)

Charlotte, North Carolina May 15-18, 2025 FedExCup points: 750 (winner)

Quail Hollow Club Par/Yards: 35-36—71 (7,626 yards) Purse: TBD

First-Round Notes - Thursday, May 15, 2025

Weather: Partly cloudy. High of 85. Wind SW 10-15 mph.

First-Round Leaderboard

Pos.	Player	R1
1	Jhonattan Vegas	64 (-7)
T2	Ryan Gerard	66 (-5)
T2	Cam Davis	66 (-5)
T4	Luke Donald	67 (-4)
T4	Ryan Fox	67 (-4)
T4	Alex Smalley	67 (-4)
T4	Stephan Jaeger	67 (-4)
T4	Aaron Rai	67 (-4)

Jhonattan Vegas (1st/-7)

- Following a 7-under 64, becomes the first Venezuelan to hold the lead/co-lead in a major championship
- Marks best score in 45 major championship rounds (previous: 67/R4/2016 PGA Championship)
- Best finish in 16 prior major championship starts: T22 (2016 PGA Championship)
- Seventh first-round lead/co-lead on TOUR; 0-for-6 to date (most recent; 2022 Valspar Championship/T27)
- Four PGA TOUR wins in 318 starts: 2011 American Express, 2016 RBC Canadian Open, 2017 RBC Canadian Open, 2024 3M Open
- Has one top-10 finish in 11 starts on TOUR this season: 4th (The Sentry)
- In his most recent start, opened THE CJ CUP Byron Nelson with a season-best 8-under 63 and followed with rounds of 69-67-69 to finish T13
- International players have won 14 of the first 22 events this season

Miscellaneous Notes

- Ryan Gerard (T2/-5) posts his 13th par-or-better opening round in 14 individual stroke-play events this season; only over-par opening round a 73 at the Valero Texas Open led to a career-best runner-up finish
- Cam Davis (T2/-5) equals his best position following any round in a major championship (T2/2021 PGA Championship/R1); his best finish in 10 previous major championships is T4 at the 2023 PGA Championship
- Luke Donald (T4/-4) manages the only bogey-free round of the day; marks his first bogey-free round in a major championship since the 2015 Open Championship (R1)
- Alex Smalley (T4/-4) became the last player in the field following Sahith Theegala's WD on Wednesday
- **Ryan Fox** (T4/-4) and **Sepp Straka** (T73/+2) open 67 and 73, respectively; the last player to win a major the week after winning on TOUR: Rory McIlroy (2014 WGC-Bridgestone Invitational, 2014 PGA Championship)
- Adam Scott (T20/-2) opens with a 69 in his 95th consecutive major championship start, the longest active streak; only Jack Nicklaus (146) has played in more than 100 straight majors
- Eric Cole (T29/-1) aces No. 4 from 186 yards for his first ace in an individual stroke-play TOUR event; also had an ace on No. 14 during R1 of the 2024 Zurich Classic of New Orleans (alongside teammate Russ Cochran)
- Additional notable opening-round scores:
 - World No. 1 and reigning FedExCup champion Scottie Scheffler (T20/-2)
 - o Defending champion Xander Schauffele (T60/+1)
 - 2017 (at Quail Hollow Club) and 2022 PGA Championship winner Justin Thomas (T73/+2)
 - 2025 Masters Tournament champion Rory McIlroy (T98/+3)
 - Jordan Spieth (T125/+5) in bid to become the seventh player to win the Career Grand Slam