



2025 Genesis Invitational (7<sup>th</sup> of 36 FedExCup Regular Season events)

San Diego, California February 13-16, 2025 FedExCup points: 700 (winner)

Torrey Pines Golf Course (South) Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,765 Purse: \$20 million (\$4 million/winner)

First-Round Notes – Thursday, February 13, 2025

**Weather:** Wet and dreary. Waves of light to moderate rain. High of 59. Wind SSW 8-14 mph, gusting to 28 mph. Preferred lies were in use for round one.

## **First-Round Leaderboard**

Pos.	Player	R1
1	Denny McCarthy	68 (-4)
T2	Seamus Power	69 (-3)
T2	Patrick Rodgers	69 (-3)
T4	Davis Thompson	70 (-2)
T4	Wyndham Clark	70 (-2)
T4	Scottie Scheffler	70 (-2)

## Denny McCarthy (1st/-4)

- Fifth career 18-hole lead/co-lead on TOUR and second this season (Sony Open in Hawaii/finished T16); 0-for-4 to date with the 18-hole lead/co-lead
- 4-under 68 marks his best first-round score in six career starts at The Genesis Invitational
- In five previous appearances at The Genesis Invitational, recorded one top-25 finish (T14/2023)
- Eagled the par-5 18<sup>th</sup>, marking his first eagle in nine career rounds played on the South Course at Torrey Pines
- In four starts this season, has four made cuts and two top-25 finishes (T16/Sony Open in Hawaii, T16/WM Phoenix Open)
- Seeking first PGA TOUR title in his 194<sup>th</sup> career start on TOUR
- Owns a pair of runner-up finishes: 2024 Valero Texas Open (lost in playoff to Akshay Bhatia) and 2023 Memorial Tournament presented by Workday (lost in playoff to Viktor Hovland)
- Last season, finished No. 35 in the 2024 FedExCup standings after recording four top-10s in 24 starts
- Fully exempt for all eight Signature Events this season by finishing inside the top 50 of the 2024 FedExCup standings

## **Miscellaneous Notes**

- The three player-hosted Signature Events (The Genesis Invitational, Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard, the Memorial Tournament presented by Workday) are the only Signature Events that feature a 36-hole cut (the low 50 and ties and any additional players within 10 strokes of the 36-hole lead); 68 players (including leader Denny McCarthy) enter the second round within 10 strokes of the lead
- Marks the first time there were no bogey-free players in an opening round on TOUR since the 2024 Truist Championship
- **Seamus Power** (T2/-3) cards his lowest first-round score in five career starts at The Genesis Invitational; finished No. 56 in the 2024 FedExCup Fall standings to earn a start this week via the Aon Next 10 (Nos. 51-60 in 2024 FedExCup Fall)
- Patrick Rodgers (T2/-3) sits inside the top 10 after 18 holes for the first time this season in his sixth start of the year; in nine career appearances at The Genesis Invitational, Rodgers has three top-25 finishes (best: T12/2021)
- **Davis Thompson** (T4/-2) cards his best score in five career rounds played on the South Course at Torrey Pines (previous best: 71/R1/2023 Farmers Insurance Open)
- Wyndham Clark (T4/-2), who held the outright 18-hole lead in last week's WM Phoenix Open, has two top-25 finishes in five prior starts at The Genesis Invitational (T8/2021, T17/2020)
- World No. 1 and 2024 FedExCup champion **Scottie Scheffler** (T4/-2) is making his seventh career appearance at The Genesis Invitational and has finished T12 or better each of the past three years (T10/2024, T12/2023, T7/2022)
- Andrew Novak (T7/-1), who earned a spot in the field via Aon Swing 5, finished solo third three weeks ago at Torrey Pines in the Farmers Insurance Open
- Sponsor exemption Min Woo Lee (T7/-1) sits inside the top 10 after the first round for the fifth time in his career
- Defending champion **Hideki Matsuyama** opens with a 2-over 74 and sits T25