2025 Principal Charity Classic

First-Round Notes Friday, May 30, 2025

Wakonda Club | Des Moines, Iowa 12th of 28 PGA TOUR Champions events in the 2025 Season



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- Course Setup: Par 72 / 6,814 yards
 Round 1 Scoring Average: 70.128
- Weather: Partly cloudy. High of 79. Winds NW at 8-14 mph. Gusts to 22 mph.
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	Player	To Par	Scores
1	Miguel Angel Jiménez	-9	31-32 – 63
2	Cameron Percy	-8	32-32 – 64
T3	Thomas Bjørn	-7	33-32 – 65
T3	Jeff Schmid	-7	34-31 – 65

Things to Know

After bogeying his opening hole, Charles Schwab Cup leader Miguel Angel Jiménez posted eight birdies and an
eagle on his way to 9-under 63 and a one-stroke lead over Cameron Percy after the first round of the Principal
Charity Classic.

Miguel Angel Jiménez, 31-32 - 63 (-9)

- Matched his low 18-hole score since September 2016 on PGA TOUR Champions
 - Low 18-hole score: 61 (2015 Rogers Charity Classic, 2nd Round; 2016 Pacific Links Bear Mountain Championship, Final Round)
 - Other rounds of 63 by Jiménez on PGA TOUR Champions: 2016 3M Championship (2nd Round); 2019
 Dominion Energy Charity Classic (Final Round); 2019 Charles Schwab Cup Championship (3rd Round)
- This is his 20th time leading/co-leading after the first round on PGA TOUR Champions (5-for-19)
 - o Is 0-for-2 when leading/co-leading after the first round in 2025
 - Co-led at the Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai (finished T2)
 - Co-led at the James Hardie Pro Football Hall of Fame Invitational (finished 6th)
- The 61-year-old seeks his 16th win on PGA TOUR Champions (195th start)
 - Would remain 18th on the Champions Tour all-time wins list
- Seeks his third win of the 2025 season (11th start)
 - o Previous wins in 2025: Trophy Hassan II (Feb. 6-8); Hoag Classic (March 21-23)
 - Entered the week atop the Charles Schwab Cup standings
- Would be his second three-win season on PGA TOUR Champions dating back to when he joined in 2014
 - o Previous instance: 2022 (3 wins)
- Would match Ángel Cabrera (3 wins) for the most wins by any player this season on PGA TOUR Champions
- Making his sixth appearance at the Principal Charity Classic, he has two top-10 finishes
 - Best finish: T2 (2016)
 - o Today's 63 was his low 18-hole score at the Principal Charity Classic (16th round)
 - Previous low: 64 (2023, Final Round)
- Achieved the best birdie streak of the 2025 season by any player on PGA TOUR Champions with six consecutive birdies from Nos. 5-10
 - o Previous best birdie streak by a player in 2025: 5 birdies in a row (three different instances)

Other Notes

- Cameron Percy (2nd) closed with eagle on No. 18 to post 8-under 64. The 51-year-old seeks his first win on PGA TOUR Champions (27th start).
 - o Best finish: 3rd (2024 American Family Insurance Championship)
- **Thomas Bjørn** (T3) birdied four of his last six holes en route to an opening 65. The 54-year-old seeks his first win on PGA TOUR Champions (34th start).
 - o Best finish: 2nd (2024 Trophy Hassan II); T2 (2025 Senior PGA Championship)
- Open qualifier Jeff Schmid, a club professional from Brown Deer Golf Club (Coralville, Iowa), opened with 7-under 65 and sits T3.
 - Was one of three open qualifiers this week after shooting 5-under 67 at Veenker Memorial Golf Course (Ames, Iowa) on Tuesday.
 - The 56-year-old seeks his first win on PGA TOUR Champions (seventh start).
 - Best finish: T27 (2024 Senior PGA Championship)
- Past champions Scott McCarron (2016) and Kevin Sutherland (2019) are among the players T6 at 5-under.
- Recently turned 50-year-olds Søren Kjeldsen and Bo Van Pelt are among the group sitting T12 at 4-under. They
 are each making their second start on PGA TOUR Champions after debuting at last week's Senior PGA
 Championship.
 - Van Pelt, who turned 50 on May 16, missed the cut at the Senior PGA Championship.
 - Kjeldsen, who turned 50 on May 17, finished T8 at the Senior PGA Championship. He was the medalist at 2025 Q-School (Final Stage), held in December 2024.
- Making his Principal Charity Classic record-tying 17th appearance, three-time champion (2007, 2008, 2012) Jay
 Haas (T54) opened with 72.
- Looking to win for the third consecutive week and for the fourth time in six starts, Angel Cabrera (T67) carded 1-over 73.
 - Looks to become the 10th player in PGA TOUR Champions history to win three consecutive starts.
 - Most recent: Steve Stricker (2022 Sanford International; 2022 Constellation FURYK & FRIENDS;
 2023 Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai)
- Two-time champion (2021, 2023) **Stephen Ames** withdrew during the first round.