



2026 Charles Schwab Challenge
(22nd of 34 FedExCup Regular Season events)

Fort Worth, Texas
Colonial Country Club

May 28-31, 2026
Par/Yards: 35-35 – 70/7,289

FedExCup points: 500 (winner)
Purse: \$9.9 million (\$1,782,000)

First-Round Notes – Thursday, May 28, 2026

Weather: Partly cloudy. High of 86. Wind WNW 4-8 mph. The first round was suspended due to a dangerous weather situation at 4:15 p.m. and resumed at 6:19 p.m. for a delay of 2 hours and 4 minutes.

First-Round Leaderboard

Pos.	Player	R1
T1	Ryan Gerard	64 (-6)
T1	Andrew Putnam	64 (-6)
T1	Tom Kim	64 (-6)
T1	J.J. Spaun	64 (-6)
T1	Matt McCarty	64 (-6)
T1	Lee Hodges	64 (-6)
T7	12 players	65 (-5)

- Six players tied for the 18-hole lead marks the second most in Charles Schwab Challenge history (8/2022)
- Six players tied for the 18-hole lead is the second most this season (7/PGA Championship)

Number of times holding the first-round lead/co-lead

- **Ryan Gerard** – second time (2025 Texas Children’s Houston Open/9th)
- **Andrew Putnam** – first time; previous-best position is 2nd at the 2019 Sony Open in Hawaii (finished 2nd) and T2 at the 2026 Valero Texas Open (T5)
- **Tom Kim** – third time; 0-for-2 to date, most recently finishing second at the 2024 Travelers Championship
- **J.J. Spaun** – eighth time; 1-for-7 to date (2025 U.S. Open)
- **Matt McCarty** – second time; 0-for-1 to date (2026 Truist Championship/T10)
- **Lee Hodges** – fourth time; 1-for-3 to date (2023 3M Open)

Wins and starts by the first-round leaders

- **Ryan Gerard** – one win in 68 starts (2025 Barracuda Championship)
- **Andrew Putnam** – one win in 255 starts (2018 Barracuda Championship)
- **Tom Kim** – three wins in 106 starts (2022 Wyndham Championship, 2022 & 2023 Shriners Children’s Open)
- **J.J. Spaun** – three wins in 257 starts (2022 Valero Texas Open, 2025 U.S. Open, 2026 Valero Texas Open)
- **Matt McCarty** – one win in 47 starts (2024 Bank of Utah Championship)
- **Lee Hodges** – one win in 135 starts (2023 3M Open)

Additional Player Notes

- Making his first start since finishing T2 at the PGA Championship, **Alex Smalley** (T7/-5) posts a bogey-free 5-under 65; enters the week with top-25 finishes in his last six starts on TOUR
- Eight-time PGA TOUR winner **Keegan Bradley** (T7/-5) opens with a 5-under 65 in his fourth start at the Charles Schwab Challenge, with his T2 in 2024 the most recent of his 11 career runner-up finishes on TOUR
- **Ben Griffin** (T41/-2) opens with a 2-under 68 in bid to join Ben Hogan (1946-47, 1952-53) as the only back-to-back winners of the Charles Schwab Challenge
- Conditional TOUR member (111-125 in 2025 FedExCup Fall standings) **Jackson Suber** (T57/-1) cards an opening-round 69; finished a career-high solo fourth at last week’s CJ CUP Byron Nelson and received a sponsor exemption to compete this week; at No. 4 in the Aon Swing 5 standings entering the week, is in position to qualify for his first Signature Event at next week’s Memorial Tournament presented by Workday (currently projected No. 6)
- **Brandt Snedeker** (T83/E) aces the par-3 16th hole with a 7-iron from 181 yards for his second hole-in-one in 473 TOUR starts (2011 Dell Technologies Championship/R2/No. 16); marks the first ace on No. 16 at the Charles Schwab Challenge since Brian Stuard in 2017 (R4)