

## Defending Champion ShotLink Keys to Victory



**Nick Taylor**  
Sony Open in Hawaii

Nick Taylor won for the fifth time on the PGA TOUR and third consecutive TOUR event won in a playoff (2023 RBC Canadian Open & 2024 WM Phoenix Open). Taylor was the 11<sup>th</sup> international player (12<sup>th</sup> win) and first Canadian to win the Sony Open in Hawaii.

**3<sup>rd</sup>** 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive season with a win in a playoff, joining Tiger Woods, Ernie Els, Phil Mickelson and Bubba Watson to win a TOUR event in a playoff in three consecutive seasons in the last 42 years

**1<sup>st</sup>** Made one of two eagles on the 18<sup>th</sup> Hole in the Final Round in regulation (Hideki Matsuyama) and made his first eagle on the final hole in regulation in 167 career final rounds on the PGA TOUR. Taylor is the first player to eagle the final hole in regulation and win the Sony Open in Hawaii in the SL era.

**+2.06** Led the field in SG: Tee-to-Green for the first time in his TOUR career, outperforming the field at Waialae CC by +2.06 strokes per round from tee-to-green.

Third player to eagle the final hole in regulation and win in a playoff in the ShotLink era, joining Charley Hoffman (2007 American Express) and Bubba Watson (2014 WGC-HSBC Champions)

### Players to Win in a Playoff in 3 Consecutive Seasons PGA TOUR Last 42 Years

	Years
<b>Nick Taylor</b>	<b>2023-2025</b>
Bubba Watson	2010-2012
Ernie Els	2002-2004
Phil Mickelson	2000-2002
Tiger Woods	1999-2001

### Scoring Breakdown Final Hole in Reg. - PGA TOUR Career

	# of Scores
<b>Eagles*</b>	<b>1</b>
Birdies	44
Pars	111
Bogeys	27
Dbl Bogeys	6

*\*2025 Sony Open in Hawaii*

### Performance Breakdown 2025 Sony Open in Hawaii

	First 2 Rds	Last 2 Rds
SG: Tee-to-Green	+1.24	<b>+7.00</b>
Fairway Hit PCT	50%	<b>75%</b>
Birdies or better	9	<b>11</b>
Score	134	<b>130</b>

Nick Taylor hit 75% of the fairways on the weekend and outperformed the field by **7.00** strokes from tee to green in Rounds 3 & 4, nearly two strokes better than the next best (Jackson Suber) and 5.76 strokes better than the first two rounds this week.

### Strokes Gained Statistics 2025 Sony Open in Hawaii

		Rank
Off-the-Tee	+0.22	30 <sup>th</sup>
Approach-the-Green	+1.46	4 <sup>th</sup>
Around-the-Green	+0.38	17 <sup>th</sup>
Putting	+0.62	23 <sup>rd</sup>

Has ranked inside the top seven in Strokes Gained: Tee-to-Green in four of his five TOUR victories and the third consecutive winner of this event to lead this category en route to victory.

### Best SG: Tee-to-Green Event Rank PGA TOUR Career

	Rank	Finish
<b>2025 Sony Open in Hawaii</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>WON</b>
2022 Procore Championship	2 <sup>nd</sup>	T6
2023 RBC Canadian Open	3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>WON</b>
2017 Truist Championship	5 <sup>th</sup>	T8
2017 A Military Tribute at The Greenbrier	5 <sup>th</sup>	T9
2024 WM Phoenix Open	6 <sup>th</sup>	<b>WON</b>
2014 Sanderson Farms Championship	7 <sup>th</sup>	<b>WON</b>



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### ShotLink Keys to Victory

- 9** First time winners at the Sony Open in Hawaii, with the last coming in 2013 from Russell Henley
- +323.38** Total Strokes Gained by winners at the Sony Open in Hawaii, this event ranks seventh in this category since 2003
- +20.48** David Toms had the most Strokes Gained: Total by a winner at the Sony Open in Hawaii in 2006
- +10.70** Nick Taylor had the fewest Strokes Gained: Total by a winner at the Sony Open in Hawaii in 2025
- 65.58** Scoring Average by winners at the Sony Open in Hawaii since 2003, this event ranks second in this category (Bank of Utah Championship, 65.38)

#### Winners Ranked Inside Top-10 SG Categories Sony Open in SL Era

	Total
Off the Tee	13
Approach the Green	14
Around the Green	2
Putting	15
Tee-to-Green	18

#### First Time Winners Sony Open in Hawaii

1966 Ted Makalena
1972 Grier Jones
1973 John Schlee
1975 Gary Groh
1983 Isao Aoki
1990 David Ishii
1995 John Morse
2002 Jerry Kelly
2013 Russell Henley

#### Most Strokes Gained: Total by Winners in an Event Since 2003

	Total
the Memorial Tournament	+351.23
Truist Championship	+330.02
Arnold Palmer Invitational	+329.98
Valero Texas Open	+328.89
WM Phoenix Open	+328.46
BMW Championship	+324.60
<b>Sony Open in Hawaii</b>	<b>+323.38</b>

#### Most Strokes Gained: Total by a Winner at The Sony Open Since 2003

	Total
2006 David Toms	+20.48
2017 Justin Thomas	+20.24
2015 Jimmy Walker	+19.23
2013 Russell Henley	+18.94
2019 Matt Kuchar	+17.05

#### Lowest Score to Par by a Winner Sony Open in Hawaii Since 2003

	Total
<b>2017 Justin Thomas</b>	<b>-27</b>
2013 Russell Henley	-24
2022 Hideki Matsuyama	-23
2015 Jimmy Walker	-23
2019 Matt Kuchar	-22

#### Lowest Scoring Average by Winners at an Event Since 2003

	Avg
Bank of Utah Championship	65.38
<b>Sony Open in Hawaii</b>	<b>65.58</b>
Wyndham Championship	65.62
The RSM Classic	65.67
Shriners Children's Open	65.88



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### Aon Swing 5 & Aon Next 10 Breakdown:

The Sony Open in Hawaii, the first event of the 2026 PGA TOUR Season, is the first opportunity for players to earn FedExCup points towards the Aon Swing 5 with entry into each of the next two Signature Events (AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, The Genesis Invitational)

The top five players, not otherwise exempt, who earn the most FedExCup points during the Sony Open in Hawaii, The American Express, Farmers Insurance Open and the WM Phoenix Open will qualify for the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am and The Genesis Invitational

The Aon Next 10 represents the top 10 players not already exempt, from the FedExCup standings, while the Aon Swing 5 includes the top five FedExCup points earners, not already exempt, from a collection of Full-Field Events leading up to each Signature Event. The Aon Next 10 for the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am and The Genesis Invitational was determined through the 2025 FedExCup Fall standings

#### Current Aon Next 10 Standings

Points	
Sami Valimaki	1,256.508
Max Greyserman	1,159.987
Garrick Higgo	1,020.000
Rico Hoey	998.781
Nico Echavarria	994.731
Aldrich Potgieter	983.167
Chris Kirk	974.632
Aaron Rai	957.189
Min Woo Lee	931.923
Max McGreevy	927.601

## Course Stats – Waialae Country Club

### Lowest Scoring Average PGA TOUR Last Season

	AVG
Sea Island Golf Club (Seaside Course)	67.78
East Lake Golf Club	67.82
Sea Island Golf Club (Plantation Course)	68.21
Nicklaus Tournament Course	68.25
La Quinta Country Club	68.60
<b>Waialae Country Club</b>	<b>68.73</b>

### Lowest Par 5 Scoring Average PGA TOUR Last Season

	AVG
East Lake Golf Club	4.33
<b>Waialae Country Club</b>	<b>4.36</b>
La Quinta Country Club	4.38
Plantation Course at Kapalua	4.38
Yokohama Country Club	4.40

### Highest Going for the Green Percentage PGA TOUR Last Season

	PCT
East Lake Golf Club	82.00
<b>Waialae Country Club</b>	<b>80.62</b>
Sedgefield Country Club	80.22
PGA National Resort (The Champion Course)	75.24
TPC Southwind	74.28

### Shortest Avg Going for It Shot PGA TOUR Last Season

	Yards
Sedgefield Country Club	217.2
<b>Waialae Country Club</b>	<b>220.1</b>
Pebble Beach Golf Links	231.7
TPC Southwind	233.5
PGA National Resort (The Champion Course)	236.4

## 9<sup>th</sup> Hole – Par 5

### Lowest Par 5 Scoring Average on a Hole in a Round PGA TOUR Since 1983

	RD	HOLE	AVG
<b>2024 Waialae Country Club</b>	<b>Final</b>	<b>9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>3.94</b>
<b>2021 Waialae Country Club</b>	<b>Final</b>	<b>9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>3.95</b>
1999 Las Vegas CC	2 <sup>nd</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	3.96
1985 Tamarisk	4 <sup>th</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	3.97
2005 Palm GC	2 <sup>nd</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	3.97

### Highest Par 5 Birdie or Better % PGA TOUR Since 2003

	Hole #	Pct
Keene Trace Golf Club (Champion Trace)	15 <sup>th</sup>	69.84
Plantation Course at Kapalua	5 <sup>th</sup>	68.23
TPC Summerlin	3 <sup>rd</sup>	68.03
<b>Waialae Country Club</b>	<b>9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>67.54</b>
TPC Canyons	4 <sup>th</sup>	66.62

### Most Par 5 Birdies PGA TOUR Since 2003

	Hole #	Total
<b>Waialae Country Club</b>	<b>9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>6087</b>
The Riviera Country Club	1 <sup>st</sup>	5411
<b>Waialae Country Club</b>	<b>18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>5040</b>
TPC Deere Run	2 <sup>nd</sup>	5017
Harbour Town Golf Links	2 <sup>nd</sup>	4656

*\*min 5 seasons played*

### Most Eagles on a Par 5 PGA TOUR Since 2003

	Hole #	Total
<b>Waialae Country Club</b>	<b>9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>687</b>
The Riviera Country Club	1 <sup>st</sup>	569
Sedgefield Country Club	5 <sup>th</sup>	521
TPC Summerlin	16 <sup>th</sup>	452
TPC Deere Run	2 <sup>nd</sup>	417

## Winners Analysis

### Youngest Winners Sony Open in Hawaii Since 1983

Age	
2017 Justin Thomas	23 Years, 8 Months, 17 Days
2013 Russell Henley	23 Years, 9 Months, 1 Days
1996 Jim Furyk	25 Years, 9 Months, 6 Days
1986 Corey Pavin	26 Years, 3 Months, 0 Days
2020 Cameron Smith	26 Years, 4 Months, 25 Days

### Lowest Score to Par by a Winner Sony Open in Hawaii Since 1983

Total	
1998 John Huston	-28
2017 Justin Thomas	-27
2013 Russell Henley	-24
2022 Hideki Matsuyama	-23
2015 Jimmy Walker	-23
1992 John Cook	-23

### Largest Winning Margin Sony Open in Hawaii Since 1983

Won By	
2015 Jimmy Walker	9
1998 John Huston	7
2017 Justin Thomas	7
2000 Paul Azinger	7
2006 David Toms	5

### Highest Greens in Regulation Percentage by Winner Sony Open in Hawaii Since 1983

Pct	
1998 John Huston	90.28
1987 Corey Pavin	86.11
1985 Mark O'Meara	84.72

### Oldest Winners Sony Open in Hawaii Since 1983

Age	
1993 Howard Twitty	44 Years, 0 Months, 2 Days
2007 Paul Goydos	42 Years, 6 Months, 25 Days
2005 Vijay Singh	41 Years, 10 Months, 25 Days
1999 Jeff Sluman	41 Years, 4 Months, 6 Days
1991 Lanny Wadkins	41 Years, 1 Months, 15 Days

### Most Birdies or Better by a Winner Sony Open in Hawaii Since 1983

Total	
1998 John Huston	31
2015 Jimmy Walker	29
2017 Justin Thomas	29
1994 Brett Ogle	27
2013 Russell Henley	26
2022 Hideki Matsuyama	26
2016 Fabian Gómez	26

### Highest Driving Accuracy Percentage by Winner Sony Open in Hawaii Since 1983

Pct	
1998 John Huston	75.00
1991 Lanny Wadkins	75.00
2011 Mark Wilson	73.21
2022 Hideki Matsuyama	71.43
2019 Matt Kuchar	71.43

### Most Strokes Gained by a Winner Sony Open in Hawaii PGA TOUR ShotLink Era

Total	
2006 David Toms	+20.48
2017 Justin Thomas	+20.24
2015 Jimmy Walker	+19.23
2013 Russell Henley	+18.94
2019 Matt Kuchar	+17.05

### Fewest Holes Over Par by Winner Sony Open in Hawaii Since 1983

Total	
1985 Mark O'Meara	1
2013 Russell Henley	2
1989 Gene Sauers	2
1998 John Huston	3
2022 Hideki Matsuyama	3
1992 John Cook	3
2004 Ernie Els	3



## 2026 Sony Open in Hawaii ShotLink Broadcast Notes



### Broadcast Window Notes – 2026 Sony Open in Hawaii

#### Hideki Matsuyama, Jordan Spieth, Keegan Bradley

**Hideki Matsuyama** is one of only two players to rank inside the Top 20 in SG: Approach-the-Green in each of the last six seasons. He has also made the cut in nine consecutive starts at the Sony Open in Hawaii, tied for the third-longest cut streak at any single event on the PGA TOUR, and since 2023 leads the PGA TOUR in SG: Around-the-Green (+0.46).

**Most Seasons Ranked Inside the Top 20  
SG: Approach-The-Green PGA TOUR Since 2020**

	Total
<b>Hideki Matsuyama</b>	<b>6</b>
Viktor Hovland	6
Russell Henley	5
Collin Morikawa	5
Xander Schauffele	5

**Longest Active Cut Streak  
PGA TOUR Career (Matsuyama)**

	Streak
Masters Tournament	12
PGA Championship	12
<b>Sony Open in Hawaii</b>	<b>9</b>
WGC-FedEx St. Jude Invitational	9
Farmers Insurance Open	9
U.S. Open	9

*\*events where cut is made*

**Highest SG: Around-the-Green  
PGA TOUR Since 2023**

	AVG
<b>Hideki Matsuyama</b>	<b>+0.46</b>
Aaron Baddeley	+0.42
Justin Thomas	+0.38
Mackenzie Hughes	+0.38
Alex Noren	+0.37

**Jordan Spieth** has his lowest 72-hole score of his PGA TOUR career at the Sony Open in Hawaii (261 in 2017). The Sony Open also ranks as the third-best event of his career in SG: Approach-the-Green (+0.97). Since his last PGA TOUR win at the 2022 RBC Heritage, Spieth has recorded 18 Top 10s, nine Top 5s, and two runner-up finishes across 74 events.

**Lowest 72-Hole Score  
PGA TOUR Career (Spieth)**

	Total
<b>2017 Sony Open in Hawaii</b>	<b>261</b>
2016 The Sentry	262
2022 THE CJ CUP Byron Nelson	263
2016 Charles Schwab Challenge	263
2015 John Deere Classic	264

**Highest SG: Approach-the-Green Average  
by Event PGA TOUR Career (Spieth)**

	Avg
Quicken Loans National	+1.26
WM Phoenix Open	+1.10
<b>Sony Open in Hawaii</b>	<b>+0.97</b>
AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am	+0.80
Valero Texas Open	+0.64

**Career Since Last Win at  
2022 RBC Heritage (Spieth)**

	Total
Events	74
Cuts Made	55
Top 10s	18
Top 5s	9
Runner Up	2*

*\*2022 THE CJ CUP Byron Nelson  
& 2023 RBC Heritage*

**Keegan Bradley** improved to +0.44 SG: Around-the-Green in 2025 and missed just two cuts last season, the fewest of his career, finishing with a 91.30% made-cut rate, his best in a single season.

**Strokes Gained: Around-the-Green Improvement  
Last 3 PGA TOUR Seasons (Bradley)**

	Avg	Rank
2025	+0.44	8 <sup>th</sup>
2024	+0.01	100 <sup>th</sup>
2023	+0.00	113 <sup>th</sup>

**Highest Made Cut Percentage in Season  
PGA TOUR Career (Bradley)**

	PCT
<b>2025</b>	<b>91.30%</b>
2018	87.10%
2012	86.21%
2013	86.21%
2015	85.71%





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### Michael Brennan, Tony Finau, Johnny Keefer

**Michael Brennan** was one of two players with multiple Top 3 Driving Distance finishes during the 2025 PGA TOUR Fall season and is the most recent first-time winner on the PGA TOUR to win in five or fewer starts, doing so in just his third start.

#### Last Five First Time Winners on PGA TOUR In 5 or Less Starts

Event		Start #
Michael Brennan	2025 Bank of Utah Championship	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Karl Vilips	2025 Puerto Rico Open	4 <sup>th</sup>
Matt McCarty	2024 Bank of Utah Championship	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Nick Dunlap	2024 The American Express	4 <sup>th</sup>
Garrick Higgo	2021 Palmetto Championship at Congaree	2 <sup>nd</sup>

#### Most Events Top 3 Driving Distance - All Drives 2025 PGA TOUR Fall Season

Total	
Michael Brennan	2
Jesper Svensson	2

*\*Eight players at 1*

**Tony Finau** is one of four players to rank inside the Top 50 in SG: Around-the-Green in each of the last six seasons. He also posted a career best 10.83% make rate on putts over 20 feet in 2025 and ranks fifth on the PGA TOUR since 2020 in average putts made over 20 feet per event (1.54).

#### Most Seasons Ranked Inside Top 50 SG: Around-the-Green PGA TOUR Since 2020

Total	
Tony Finau	6
Si Woo Kim	6
Hideki Matsuyama	6
Justin Thomas	6

#### Highest Pct Putting From > 20' in a Season PGA TOUR Career (Finau)

	PCT	Rank
2025	10.83%	3 <sup>rd</sup>
2020	9.88%	12 <sup>th</sup>
2022	9.68%	16 <sup>th</sup>
2018	9.27%	14 <sup>th</sup>
2015	8.24%	T50

#### Average Putts Made Over 20' Per Event PGA TOUR Since 2020

AVG	
Denny McCarthy	1.70
Adam Scott	1.61
Ludvig Åberg	1.59
Patrick Cantlay	1.56
<b>Tony Finau</b>	<b>1.54</b>

**Johnny Keefer** is coming off the lowest season scoring average ever recorded across the Korn Ferry Tour and PGA TOUR at 67.95 last season. Making his seventh PGA TOUR start, Keefer is seeking to become the first player since Russell Henley in 2013 to earn his first PGA TOUR victory at the Sony Open in Hawaii.

#### Lowest Season Scoring Average (Actual) PGA TOUR & Korn Ferry Tour Since 1983

	Season	TOUR	AVG
Johnny Keefer	2025	KFT	67.95
Scottie Scheffler	2025	PGA TOUR	67.99
Scottie Scheffler	2024	PGA TOUR	68.01
Webb Simpson	2020	PGA TOUR	68.06
S.H. Kim	2025	KFT	68.16
Tiger Woods	2000	PGA TOUR	68.17

#### Last Five Players to Earn First PGA TOUR Win at Sony Open in Hawaii

Player	
2013	Russell Henley
2002	Jerry Kelly
1995	John Morse
1990	David Ishii
1983	Isao Aoki



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### Brian Harman, Maverick McNealy, Si Woo Kim

**Brian Harman** is making his 15<sup>th</sup> career start at the Sony Open in Hawaii this week, tied for the second-most starts he has at any PGA TOUR event. Harman has recorded 484 sand saves since 2020, the third-most on the PGA TOUR over that span. He also ranks third in Sand Save Percentage during that period at 59.39%

#### Most Starts by Event PGA TOUR Career (Harman)

	Total
RBC Heritage	16
<b>Sony Open in Hawaii</b>	<b>15</b>
Travelers Championship	15
The RSM Classic	14
FedEx. St Jude Championship	14

#### Highest Sand Save Percentage PGA TOUR Since 2020

	PCT
Matt Kuchar	62.01%
Michael Kim	60.04%
<b>Brian Harman</b>	<b>59.39%</b>
Ben Griffin	59.30%
Xander Schauffele	59.26%

#### Best Finishes at Sony Open in Hawaii PGA TOUR Career (Harman)

	Finish
2018	T4
2016	T13
2015	T13
2024	T18
2017	T20

**Maverick McNealy** led the PGA TOUR last season with five Top 5 finishes without a win and owns an 81.40% Going-for-the-Green rate at the Sony Open in Hawaii, the second-highest at an event in his PGA TOUR career.

#### Most Top 5 Finishes Without a Win PGA TOUR Last Season

	Total
<b>Maverick McNealy</b>	<b>5</b>
Jacob Bridgeman	4
Patrick Cantlay	4
Michael Thorbjornsen	4
Max McGreevy	4

#### Highest Going for Green Rate by Event PGA TOUR Career (McNealy)

	PCT
Cognizant Classic in The Palm Beaches	100%
<b>Sony Open in Hawaii</b>	<b>81.40%</b>
TOUR Championship	80.00%
Travelers Championship	77.42%
Shriners Children's Open	75.90%

**Si Woo Kim** owns his lowest scoring average at the Sony Open in Hawaii (67.46). He also ranks tied for third in SG: Around-the-Green at the Sony Open since 2004 (+1.87), and the event is his second-best in SG: Tee-to-Green across his PGA TOUR career.

#### Best Scoring Average (Actual) PGA TOUR Career (Kim)

	Avg
<b>Sony Open in Hawaii</b>	<b>67.46</b>
THE CJ CUP Byron Nelson	67.61
Shriners Children's Open	67.91
Wyndham Championship	68.03
The American Express	68.38

*\*min 8 rds played*

#### Highest Average SG: Around the Green Sony Open in Hawaii Since 2004

	Avg
Paul Azinger	+2.64
Roger Tambellini	+2.36
<b>Si Woo Kim</b>	<b>+1.87</b>
Sahith Theegala	+1.87
Andrew Novak	+1.82

*\*min 10 rds played*

#### Highest SG: Tee-to-Green by Event PGA TOUR Career (Kim)

	AVG
Truist Championship	+1.57
<b>Sony Open in Hawaii</b>	<b>+1.53</b>
THE PLAYERS	+1.43
The American Express	+1.43
Wyndham Championship	+1.41

*\*Min 5 Starts*





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### J.J. Spaun, Collin Morikawa, Adam Scott

**J.J. Spaun** and Scottie Scheffler are the only two players on the PGA TOUR to improve their Strokes Gained: Approach-the-Green average in each of the last five seasons. The Sony Open in Hawaii is Spaun's second-best Greens-in-Regulation event of his PGA TOUR career at 76.52%. Last season, Spaun became the first player since 2022 (Will Zalatoris and Patrick Cantlay) to lose multiple playoffs in the same season and the first player since Raymond Floyd in 1982 to lose multiple playoffs and win a major in the same year.

#### Best Greens in Regulation by Event PGA TOUR Career (Spaun)

	PCT
The RSM Classic	77.43%
<b>Sony Open in Hawaii</b>	<b>76.52%</b>
Shriners Children's Open	76.39%
Wyndham Championship	76.26%
Rocket Classic	76.16%

\*Min 3 Starts

#### SG: Approach-The-Green Last Five Seasons (Spaun)

	AVG	Rank
2021	-0.11	T127
2022	+0.13	84 <sup>th</sup>
2023	+0.27	T51
2024	+0.47	17 <sup>th</sup>
<b>2025</b>	<b>+0.74</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup></b>

#### Most First Round Top 5 Finishes PGA TOUR Last Season

	Total
Scottie Scheffler	7
<b>J.J. Spaun</b>	<b>6</b>
Keith Mitchell	6
Andrew Putnam	6

**Collin Morikawa** ranks second on the PGA TOUR in Strokes Gained: Approach-the-Green since 2020 (+0.82), trailing only Scottie Scheffler. He leads all players with the most seasons ranked inside the Top 3 in SG: Approach during that span (5). Morikawa is also the only player on TOUR to rank inside the Top 10 in Driving Accuracy in each of the last four seasons, highlighted by a career-high 70.65% Driving Accuracy in 2025.

#### SG: Approach-the-Green Leaders PGA TOUR Since 2020

	AVG
Scottie Scheffler	+0.83
<b>Collin Morikawa</b>	<b>+0.82</b>
Russell Henley	+0.69
Viktor Hovland	+0.65
Xander Schauffele	+0.64

\*Min 50 Events Played

#### Most Seasons Ranked Inside the Top 3 SG: Approach-The-Green PGA TOUR Since 2020

	Total
<b>Collin Morikawa</b>	<b>5</b>
Scottie Scheffler	3
Justin Thomas	2
Russell Henley	2

#### Highest Driving Accuracy % PGA TOUR Career (Morikawa)

	PCT
<b>2025</b>	<b>70.65%</b>
2024	70.15%
2021	69.60%
2023	68.03%
2020	65.54%

**Adam Scott's** 2.4-stroke improvement from Round 1 to Round 2 at the Sony Open in Hawaii is the second-largest average R1-to-R2 improvement at any event he has played at least five times during his 23-year PGA TOUR career (AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, 3.00). Last season, Scott posted the second-best Birdie-or-Better rate on Par 5s of his career (55.34%). Despite that success, he did not record a Top-10 finish for the first time in his PGA TOUR career.

#### Scoring Average by Round at Sony Open PGA TOUR Career (Scott)

	AVG
RD 1	70.30
RD 2	67.90
RD 3	68.71
RD 4	67.14

#### Best Par 5 Birdie or Better Percentage by Season PGA TOUR Career (Scott)

	PCT
2014	55.88%
<b>2025</b>	<b>55.34%</b>
2019	55.05%
2007	51.44%
2024	51.40%



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### Ben Griffin, Russell Henley, Chris Gotterup

**Ben Griffin** ranked second on the PGA TOUR last season with 10 leads or co-leads in a round, trailing only Scottie Scheffler. He has recorded 60s in over half of his rounds in each of the last three seasons, highlighted by a career-best 69.69 scoring average in 2025, which ranked 4<sup>th</sup> on the PGA TOUR.

#### Most Leads/Co-Leads in a Round PGA TOUR Last Season

	Total
Scottie Scheffler	16
<b>Ben Griffin</b>	<b>10</b>
J.J. Spaun	7
Tommy Fleetwood	7
Sepp Straka	7

#### Highest Pct of Rounds in 60's PGA TOUR Career (Griffin)

	Pct
<b>2025</b>	<b>55.77</b>
2024	52.59
2023	50.42

*\*Stroke Play Only*

#### Lowest Scoring Average in a Season PGA TOUR Career (Griffin)

	Avg	Rank
<b>2025</b>	<b>69.69</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>
2024	70.19	16 <sup>th</sup>
2023	70.29	39 <sup>th</sup>

**Russell Henley** ranks tied for second with five Top 10 finishes in SG: Tee-to-Green at the Sony Open in Hawaii since 2004. He is coming off the best SG: Total season of his PGA TOUR career in 2025 (+1.32) and is making his 14<sup>th</sup> consecutive start at the Sony Open in Hawaii, the fourth longest active streak in the field.

#### Most Top 10's SG: Tee-to-Green Sony Open in Hawaii Since 2004

	Total
Chris Kirk	6
<b>Russell Henley</b>	<b>5</b>
Hideki Matsuyama	5
Vijay Singh	5

#### Best SG: Total in Season PGA TOUR Career (Henley)

	AVG
<b>2025</b>	<b>+1.32</b>
2022	+1.19
2021	+0.95
2024	+0.95
2017	+0.94

#### Longest Active Consecutive Years Playing in Sony Open in Hawaii

	Years
Zach Johnson	19
Chris Kirk	16
Brian Harman	15
<b>Russell Henley</b>	<b>14</b>
Keegan Bradley	11
Peter Malnati	11

*\*Includes This Year*

**Chris Gotterup** led the field in Driving Distance three times last season and recorded a 68.40% rate of drives over 300 yards, the second-highest single-season mark in the ShotLink era.

#### Scoring Average by Round PGA TOUR Last Season (Gotterup)

	AVG	Rank
RD 1	70.11	T89
RD 2	68.70	6 <sup>th</sup>
RD 3	69.95	T74
RD 4	68.22	2 <sup>nd</sup>

#### Most Times Leading Field in Driving Distance PGA TOUR Last Season

	Total
Rory McIlroy	5
Aldrich Potgieter	4
<b>Chris Gotterup</b>	<b>3</b>
Bryson DeChambeau	3

#### Highest Percentage of Drives Over 300+ Yards in Season PGA TOUR ShotLink Era

	PCT
2021 Bryson DeChambeau	70.29%
<b>2025 Chris Gotterup</b>	<b>68.40%</b>
2025 Niklas Norgaard	68.32%
2023 Rory McIlroy	68.07%
2025 Rory McIlroy	68.06%



## 2026 Sony Open in Hawaii ShotLink Broadcast Notes



### Robert MacIntyre, Nick Taylor, Aaron Rai

**Robert MacIntyre** ranked 40<sup>th</sup> in Strokes Gained Approach the Green on the PGA TOUR last season, improving 73 positions from 2024 to 2025. MacIntyre ranked inside the Top 20 in Sand Save Percentage in the 2024 (12<sup>th</sup>) & 2025 (13<sup>th</sup>) PGA TOUR seasons, one of two players to do so (Matt Fitzpatrick).

#### SG: Approach-the-Green Rank Improv. PGA TOUR Last 2 Seasons

Rank	
Last Season	40 <sup>th</sup>
2024	113 <sup>th</sup>

*\*tied for 7th largest improvement*

#### Players Inside Top 20 Sand Save PCT PGA TOUR Last 2 Seasons

	2024	2025
Matt Fitzpatrick	14 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Robert MacIntyre</b>	<b>12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>13<sup>th</sup></b>

**Nick Taylor** is one of just four players on the PGA TOUR with at least one win in each of the last three seasons, joining Scottie Scheffler, Rory McIlroy, and Keegan Bradley. This event marks Taylor's fifth career title defense, with his best result coming at the 2016 Sanderson Farms Championship (T20).

#### Players With At Least One PGA TOUR Win in Each of Last Three Seasons

	2023	2024	2025
Scottie Scheffler	2	7	6
Rory McIlroy	2	2	3
Keegan Bradley	2	1	1
<b>Nick Taylor</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

#### Title Defense Results PGA TOUR Career (Taylor)

	Year Won	Defense Result
Sanderson Farms Championship	2015	T20
AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am	2020	T39
RBC Canadian Open	2023	CUT
WM Phoenix Open	2024	T25
<b>Sony Open in Hawaii</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>??</b>

**Aaron Rai** ranked third on the PGA TOUR in Driving Accuracy over the last two seasons (72.86%) and owns the second-highest made-cut percentage among English players since 2024 (82.61%). He has also ranked inside the Top 25 in SG: Tee-to-Green in each of the last three seasons, one of only seven players on TOUR to do so.

#### Highest Driving Accuracy PCT PGA TOUR Last 2 Seasons

	PCT
Takumi Kanaya	74.07
Paul Peterson	73.15
<b>Aaron Rai</b>	<b>72.86</b>
Ben Kohles	71.84
Collin Morikawa	70.40

#### Highest Made Cut PCT Players from England PGA TOUR Since 2024

	PCT
Tommy Fleetwood	92.11
<b>Aaron Rai</b>	<b>82.61</b>
Matt Fitzpatrick	80.95
Harry Hall	80.00
Justin Rose	64.86

*\*min 10 starts*

#### Players Ranked in Top 25 SG: Tee-to-Green in Each of Last Three PGA TOUR Seasons

	2023	2024	2025
Scottie Scheffler	1 <sup>st</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>
Rory McIlroy	2 <sup>nd</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup>
Collin Morikawa	4 <sup>th</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>
Si Woo Kim	19 <sup>th</sup>	14 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Aaron Rai</b>	<b>24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>12<sup>th</sup></b>
Hideki Matsuyama	16 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	22 <sup>nd</sup>
Shane Lowry	20 <sup>th</sup>	22 <sup>nd</sup>	16 <sup>th</sup>