



**2026 American Express**  
**(2<sup>nd</sup> of 34 FedExCup Regular Season events)**

La Quinta, California  
PGA West Pete Dye Stadium Course  
PGA West Nicklaus Tournament Course  
La Quinta Country Club

January 22-25, 2026  
Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,210  
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FedExCup points: 500 (winner)  
Purse: \$9,200,000/\$1,656,000

**Third-Round Notes – Saturday, January 24, 2026**

*Weather: Partly cloudy. High of 72. Wind NNW 10-15 mph.*

54-hole cut: 73 professionals at 11-under 205 from a field of 156 professionals

**Third-Round Leaderboard**

Pos.	Player	R1	R2	R3	Total
1	Si Woo Kim	63 NT	65 SC	66 LQ	194 (-22)
T2	Blades Brown	67 LQ	60 NT	68 SC	195 (-21)
	Scottie Scheffler	63 LQ	64 NT	68 SC	195 (-21)
T4	Eric Cole	64 NT	66 SC	66 LQ	196 (-20)
	Wyndham Clark	66 NT	64 SC	66 LQ	196 (-20)

**Si Woo Kim (1<sup>st</sup>/-22)**

- Seeks fifth PGA TOUR title in his 302nd start at the age of 30 years, 6 months, 28 days
- PGA TOUR victories (4): 2016 Wyndham Championship, 2017 PLAYERS Championship, 2021 American Express, 2023 Sony Open in Hawaii
- 2021 American Express champion seeks to become the event's 11th multiple winner and first since Jon Rahm (2023)
- Would become the first South Korean winner on TOUR since Tom Kim at the 2023 Shriners Children's Open
- Holds seventh career 54-hole lead/co-lead and second at the event
  - 2-for-6 converting to victory (2016 Wyndham Championship, 2021 American Express)
  - Most of any player from South Korea on the PGA TOUR since 1983 (previous: 6/K.J. Choi)

**Blades Brown (T2/-21)**

- Playing on a sponsor exemption in his 10th career PGA TOUR start
- Enters the final round one stroke back, becoming the youngest player inside the top two on the leaderboard through 54 holes in a PGA TOUR event (excluding major championships) since 1970
- With a win Sunday, would become the second-youngest winner in PGA TOUR history (18 years, 8 months, 4 days) and the first teenager to win on TOUR since Jordan Spieth at the 2013 John Deere Classic

**Youngest winners in PGA TOUR history**

Player	Tournament	Age
Charles Kocsis	1931 Michigan Open	18 years, 6 months, 9 days
Harry Cooper	1923 Galveston Open Championship	19 years, 4 days
Ralph Guldahl	1931 Santa Monica Open	19 years, 2 months, 3 days
John McDermott	1911 U.S. Open	19 years, 10 months, 14 days
Jordan Spieth	2013 John Deere Classic	19 years, 11 months, 17 days

- Would become the first sponsor exemption to win on TOUR since Michael Brennan at the 2025 Bank of Utah Championship
- In Friday's second round, recorded a 12-under 60, becoming the youngest player in PGA TOUR history to record a round of 60 or better (previous: Patrick Cantlay/19 years, 3 months, 7 days/2011 Travelers Championship)
- Turned professional in 2024 and earned special temporary membership on the Korn Ferry Tour in 2025; finished No. 68 on the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour Points List after recording four top-25s in 14 starts to secure 2026 status

- Best finish in a PGA TOUR-sanctioned start is T2 (2025 Veritex Championship on Korn Ferry Tour)
- Best finish in nine career PGA TOUR starts is T26 (2024 ONEflight Myrtle Beach Classic)
- With a top-10 finish in The American Express, would earn a start in next week's Farmers Insurance Open

#### **Scottie Scheffler (T2/-21)**

- World No. 1 seeks his 20th win in his 151st start at the age of 29 years, 7 months, 4 days
- With a win, would become the 40th player to reach 20 wins on the PGA TOUR and move to T36 on the all-time wins list
- Would become first player to reach 20 wins since Rory McIlroy (earned 20th win at the 2021 CJ CUP in South Carolina)
  - Last American: Dustin Johnson (2019 WGC Workday Championship at The Concession)
- 29-year-old seeks to become first player since Tiger Woods to earn 20 PGA TOUR wins under the age of 30
  - Woods' 20th win came at the 2000 U.S. Open/24 years, 5 months, 19 days
- Would mark the second-fewest starts (151 starts) to reach 20 wins, only behind Tiger Woods (95 starts)
- Would mark his seventh win in his last 13 starts on TOUR
- Would mark his 14th PGA TOUR victory since the start of the 2024 season (next best: Rory McIlroy, 5 wins)
- Would be first career win when making season debut
- Would be his fifth consecutive season with a win (4/2022, 2/2023, 7/2024, 6/2025)
- Win would come in sixth career start in The American Express (best finish: 3<sup>rd</sup>/2020)

#### **Miscellaneous Notes**

- With rounds of 64-66-66, **Eric Cole** (T4/-20) is the only player in the field bogey-free through 54-holes and marks the first time bogey-free through 54-holes in his 108th PGA TOUR career start; owns two runner-up results, both in 2023 (P2/Cognizant Classic in The Palm Beaches, T2/Baycurrent Classic)
- Making his eighth start at the event (best: 13<sup>th</sup>/2022), **Wyndham Clark** (T4/-20) sits one-stroke shy of his 54-hole low score (low: 195/2020 Shriners Children's Open); seeks his fourth TOUR title and first since the 2024 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am
- **Ludvig Åberg** withdrew (illness) before the third round
- Third-round scoring average by course: Stadium Course (71.40), Nicklaus Course (68.80), La Quinta CC (68.42)
- The 54-hole cut of 11-under 205 is the second-lowest cut in tournament history since 2012, when the event became 72-holes (lowest: 13-under/2024)