2026 Charles Schwab Cup Championship

Third-Round Notes
Saturday, November 14, 2026
Phoenix Country Club | Phoenix, Arizona
28th of 28 PGA Tour Champions events in the 2026 Season
3rd of 3 events in the 2026 Charles Schwab Cup Playoffs

- **Course Setup:** Par 71 / 6,794 yards
- **Round 3 Scoring Average:** 68.793
- **Cumulative Scoring Average:** 68.708
- **Weather:** Mostly cloudy. High of 83. Winds SE at 5-10 mph.
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	Player	To Par	Scores	Schwab Cup Standings	
				Start	Projected
1	Stewart Cink	-17	63-65-68 – 196	1st	1st
T2	Zach Johnson	-14	69-66-64 – 199	2nd	2nd
	Scott Hend	-14	67-70-62 – 199	16th	6th
4	Freddie Jacobson	-11	67-69-66 – 202	22nd	16th

Things to Know

- Defending champion and reigning Charles Schwab Cup winner **Stewart Cink** remains atop the leaderboard entering the final round of the Charles Schwab Cup Championship. Rookie **Zach Johnson** (T2), who sits No. 2 in the season-long standings, is three strokes back.
- Cink and Johnson are the only two players who have a mathematical chance to win the Charles Schwab Cup.

Stewart Cink, 63-65-68 – 196 (-17)
Charles Schwab Cup standings – Start: 1st / Projected: 1st

Career

- The 53-year-old seeks his 10th win on PGA Tour Champions (57th start).
- This is his 12th time leading/co-leading entering the final round on PGA Tour Champions.
    - Is 4-for-11 converting those into victories (1-for-3 in 72-hole events).

2026 Season

- Seeks his sixth win of the 2026 season (21st start).
    - Previous wins in 2026 (chronologically): Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai, Hoag Classic, Senior PGA Championship, Regions Tradition, Boeing Classic
    - Would match Zach Johnson (6) for the most wins by a player this season on PGA Tour Champions.
- Will play in the last group of the final round for the sixth time this season (3-for-5).
- Looks to achieve the fourth successful title defense of the 2026 season on PGA Tour Champions.
    - Previous instances: Steven Alker (Cologuard Classic), Darren Clarke (American Family Insurance Championship – team event with partner Ben Crane), Padraig Harrington (U.S. Senior Open)
- Looks to become the first player in PGA Tour Champions history to earn $4 million in a single season.
    - Cink is $128,735 shy of that mark, meaning a 2-way T6 or better gets him to $4 million.
    - Note: Zach Johnson can also reach $4 million this season but needs a victory to do so.

Most Single-Season Money Earned (PGA TOUR Champions history)

Rank	Player	Season	Money
1	Steve Stricker	2023	$3,986,063
2	**Stewart Cink**	**2026**	**$3,871,265**
3	Bernhard Langer	2017	$3,677,359
4	Steven Alker	2022	$3,544,425
5	**Zach Johnson**	**2026**	**$3,536,098**
6	Padraig Harrington	2022	$3,293,255

Charles Schwab Cup Leader

- Cink entered the week atop the 2026 Charles Schwab Cup standings, controlling his own destiny in the race for the Charles Schwab Cup.
  - Cink won the Charles Schwab Cup in 2025.
- Looks to become the eighth multi-time winner of the Charles Schwab Cup.
  - Would join Bernhard Langer (6), Steven Alker (2), Tom Lehman (2), Loren Roberts (2), Jay Haas (2), Tom Watson (2), Hale Irwin (2)
- Looks to complete the fourth successful defense of the Charles Schwab Cup.
  - Would join Tom Lehman (2012), Bernhard Langer (2015), Bernhard Langer (2016)
- Looks to become the first player to lead the Charles Schwab Cup standings for every week of the season.
  - Has led for all 27 weeks of the 2026 season, and a streak of 28 consecutive weeks at No. 1, dating back to the 2025 Charles Schwab Cup Championship.
  - Fewest weeks trailing in the standings a season by the winner of the Charles Schwab Cup:
    - 2011: Tom Lehman trailed for one week (led 23 of 24 weeks)
    - 2014: Bernhard Langer trailed for one week (led 25 of 26 weeks)

Cink at the Charles Schwab Cup Championship

- Seeks his second win at the Charles Schwab Cup Championship (third start).
  - Previous finishes: T6 (2024), Won (2025)
- Looks to become the seventh multi-time winner of the Charles Schwab Cup Championship.
  - Would join Jim Thorpe (3), Tom Watson (3), John Cook (2), Raymond Floyd (2), Mike Hill (2), Kevin Sutherland (2)
- Looks to become the fourth player to go back-to-back at the Charles Schwab Cup Championship.
  - Would join Jim Thorpe (2006-07), John Cook (2009-10), Mike Hill (1990-91)
- This is his seventh time in 11 rounds at the Charles Schwab Cup Championship that he has had the solo lead (including finishes).
  - Position by round (chronologically) at this event: 1st-1st-6th-**T6**, 1st-2nd-2nd-**Won**, 1st-1st-1st
- Looks to achieve the fifth time a player wins the Charles Schwab Cup Championship and Charles Schwab Cup in the same year.
  - Previous instances: Tom Watson (2005), Tom Lehman (2012), Kevin Sutherland (2017), Stewart Cink (2025)
- Looks to become the fourth wire-to-wire winner in Charles Schwab Cup Championship history.
  - Would join Jim Colbert (1995), Jim Thorpe (2003), Paul Goydos (2016)
- Looks to become the first wire-to-wire winner on PGA Tour Champions since the 2025 Simmons Bank Championship (Steven Alker).
  - Last wire-to-wire winner in a 72-hole event: 2022 Regions Tradition (Steve Stricker)

Zach Johnson, 69-66-64 – 199 (-14)

Charles Schwab Cup standings – Start: 2nd / Projected: 2nd

- The 50-year-old rookie seeks his seventh win on PGA Tour Champions and of the 2026 season (19th start).
  - Previous wins in 2026 (chronologically): James Hardie Pro Football Hall of Fame Invitational, Principal Charity Classic, Kaulig Companies Championship, Portugal Invitational, Sanford International, PURE Insurance Championship
- A seventh win in 2026 would move him into T3 on the PGA Tour Champions single-season wins list.

- A seventh win would match the PGA Tour Champions record for wins by a rookie.
    - Rookies to win seven times: Bruce Crampton (1986), Lee Trevino (1990), Bruce Fleisher (1999)
- With a win, he would become the first player with seven wins in a season since Bernhard Langer (7) in 2017.
- With a win, he would reach $4 million in a season. Johnson is $463,902 shy of that mark and a victory earns $528,000.
- Entered the week ranked No. 2 in the 2026 Charles Schwab Cup standings.
    - Johnson needs a minimum eighth-place finish (and help from Cink) to have a chance to win the Charles Schwab Cup. They are the only two players with a mathematical chance to win the Cup.
- Looks to achieve the fifth time a player wins the Charles Schwab Cup Championship and Charles Schwab Cup in the same year.
    - Previous instances: Tom Watson (2005), Tom Lehman (2012), Kevin Sutherland (2017), Stewart Cink (2025)
- Looks to become the 14th different player to win the Charles Schwab Cup.
- Looks to match the fewest weeks leading the Charles Schwab Cup standings by a player to go on to win the Charles Schwab Cup that season (1 week).
    - Previous instances: Tom Watson (2005), Bernhard Langer (2015), Kevin Sutherland (2017), Stewart Cink (2025)
- Looks to become the first rookie to win the Charles Schwab Cup.
    - Best finish by a rookie: No. 2 (four times):
        - Loren Roberts (2006), Fred Couples (2010), Jim Furyk (2020-21), Padraig Harrington (2022)

Most Single-Season Wins by a Rookie on PGA Tour Champions

Player	Rookie Season	Wins
Bruce Fleisher	1999	7
Lee Trevino	1990	7
Bruce Crampton	1986	7
Gil Morgan	1997	6
Zach Johnson	**2026**	**6**

Other Notes

- **Scott Hend** (T2) carded the low round of the week with 9-under 62 on Saturday. He enters the final round at 14-under. The 53-year-old seeks his second win on PGA Tour Champions (26th start).
    - Previous win: 2026 Trophy Hassan II
- Scottsdale, Arizona resident **Steve Allan** (T5) is the lone player in the field without a bogey or worse after 54 holes.
- **Tommy Gainey** (T15) made a hole-in-one on No. 2 with a pitching wedge from 155 yards.

Race for the Charles Schwab Cup

The Charles Schwab Cup offers $2.1 million in prize money to the top-5 finishers at season's end. The winner of the season-long Charles Schwab Cup will be awarded $1 million and the 2nd–5th place finishers will receive prize money of $500,000, $300,000, $200,000, and $100,000, respectively.

Projected Charles Schwab Cup Standings After the Third Round

	Player	Entered the Week
1	Stewart Cink	1st
2	Zach Johnson	2nd
3	Steven Alker	3rd
4	Retief Goosen	5th
5	Padraig Harrington	4th