

Principal Charity Classic

Wakonda Club | Des Moines, Iowa | June 4-6, 2021

Final-Round Notes

Sunday, June 6, 2021

Course Setup: Par 72 / 6,844 yards (R3: 71.859; Cumulative: 71.331)

Weather: Mostly cloudy with highs in the low-80s and winds S at 14-18 mph and gusts up to 25 mph

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Summary: Trailing by seven strokes entering the final round, **Stephen Ames** shot 5-under 67 to win the Principal Charity Classic by one stroke over fellow Canadian **Mike Weir**. **Tim Herron**, who held a four-shot lead entering the final round, finished T3, along with **Willie Wood** and **Doug Barron**.

| | Player | To Par | Scores | Money | Charles Schwab Cup |
|-----|--------------|--------|----------------------|-----------|--------------------|
| 1. | Stephen Ames | -12 | 68-69-67 – 204 (-12) | \$277,500 | 19th |
| 2. | Mike Weir | -11 | 70-66-69 – 205 (-11) | \$162,800 | 6th |
| T3. | Willie Wood | -10 | 70-68-68 – 206 (-10) | \$110,383 | 66th |
| T3. | Doug Barron | -10 | 66-69-71 – 206 (-10) | \$110,383 | 18th |
| T3. | Tim Herron | -10 | 67-63-76 – 206 (-10) | \$110,383 | 46th |

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Stephen Ames, 68-69-67 – 204 (-12)

- Ames came from seven strokes back to win, tying the fourth-largest comeback in PGA TOUR Champions history.
 - It is the second-largest comeback in Principal Charity Classic history. Kevin Sutherland completed an eight-stroke comeback the last time this tournament was played (2019).
- Ames birdied four holes on the front nine, including three consecutive on Nos. 3-5, to make the turn in 4-under 32. He birdied Nos. 13 and 15 on his way to 1-under 35 on the back nine.
- This marks Ames' second win on PGA TOUR Champions (2017 Mitsubishi Electric Classic).
- In 19 starts this season on PGA TOUR Champions, Ames has five top-10s, including a pair of runner-up finishes (2020 Morocco Champions, 2021 Mitsubishi Electric Classic). He has finished in the top 10 in three of his last four starts.

- This is the second time during the 2020-21 season that Ames has carded three rounds in the 60s (2020 Chubb Classic, T9).
- This is the fifth win by a Canadian on PGA TOUR Champions and the second win this season by a Canadian player (Mike Weir, 2021 Insperity Invitational). Canadians Rod Spittle and Dave Barr have each won once on PGA TOUR Champions.
- Despite hitting 22-of-42 fairways (52.4%), Ames led the field in greens in regulation (47-of-54).
- Ames won four times on the PGA TOUR, including THE PLAYERS Championship in 2006. His last win on the PGA TOUR was the 2009 Children's Miracle Network Classic.
- In three previous starts at the Principal Charity Classic, Ames' best finish was T8 in his debut (2017). He has broken par in 10 of 11 rounds at Wakonda Club. Sunday's 67 was his lowest round at the tournament.

Mike Weir, 70-66-69 – 205 (-11)

- Making the 17th start of his rookie season on PGA TOUR Champions, Weir made six birdies, including five on the back nine, en route to a final-round 3-under 69.
- Weir finishes runner-up or better for the fourth time this season on PGA TOUR Champions. In addition to winning the 2021 Insperity Invitational, Weir finished second at the 2020 Dominion Energy Charity Classic and 2020 Cologuard Classic. Weir has eight top-10s this season (47% of his starts).
- With his second-place finish this week, Weir has placed in the top five in three of his last four events. He finished T5 at last week's KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship.
- Weir finished the week with 17 birdies, tied for the most in the field (Doug Barron, Tim Herron).
- Weir moves up three spots to No. 6 in the Charles Schwab Cup standings.

Other Notes

- **Willie Wood, Doug Barron and Tim Herron** finished T3 at 10-under 206.
 - Wood, who shot 68 on Sunday, was the last player in the field to make a bogey, going the first 45 holes of the tournament before making bogey on No. 10 on Sunday. This is Wood's best finish this season on PGA TOUR Champions in nine starts.
 - Barron, who shot 71 on Sunday, finished in the top five for the second time in his last three starts (T5/Mitsubishi Electric Classic). His T3 this week matches his best finish of the season (2020 Morocco Champions).
 - Herron, who held a four-shot lead entering the final round, carded 4-over 76 on Sunday. Making the 20th start of his rookie season on PGA TOUR Champions, Herron earns his best finish on the Champions Tour and first top-10.
- 2017 champion **Brandt Jobe** finished T6 at 9-under 207.
- **Rocco Mediate** (T6), 2018 champion **Tom Lehman** (T11) and **Gene Sauers** (T19) matched Ames' 5-under 67 for the low round of the day.
- **Alex Cejka**, winner of last week's KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship, finished T11 at 8-under 208.
- Charles Schwab Cup leader **Bernhard Langer** finished T15 at 7-under 209 in his seventh appearance at the Principal Charity Classic. Langer remains atop the Schwab Cup standings for the 14th week in 2020-21, most of any player on the Champions Tour this season.