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PGA TOUR CHAMPIONS

Harrington wins 2nd US Senior Open in 4 years

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Ireland's Padraig Harrington parlayed four front-nine birdies Sunday into steady back-nine play that resulted in a one-shot victory at the U.S. Senior Open at Broadmoor Golf Club in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Harrington fired a 3-under-par 67 to assure a single-stroke victory at 11-under 269 over runner-up Stewart Cink.

"It was entertaining, wasn't it?" Harrington asked rhetorically after the victory.

It was his first win on the PGA Tour Champions in 2025 after previously tying for second at the Senior PGA Championship in May. The win was Harrington's second in four years at this event, however, after previously winning in 2022.

He credited his comfort level on the course with helping him prevail late.

"Here I'm comfortable," Harrington said. "Look, here I'm not thinking I'm going to miss the cut. Touch wood that doesn't happen. I'm not thinking about that. If you brought me to a regular event Thursday afternoon I would be thinking about the cut line.

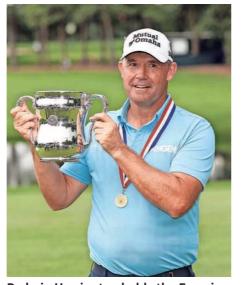
"Whereas here I'm thinking how do I get myself into position. And even the first couple of days I got going and I could have got away from the field. I dropped back a couple (shots). I was still going. All I want to be is with nine holes to go to give myself a chance and be in the right headspace at that time."

Cink, who came into the day tied atop the leaderboard with Harrington and Australian Mark Hensby, led through eight holes on the strength of four straight birdies over Nos. 2-5. But Harrington's birdie on the par-5, 530yard ninth pulled him back into a tie.

Harrington had a bogey at No. 10, a birdie at No. 11, and then made par on every hole the rest of the way.

Cink, in contrast, had two bad holes - the 11th and 15th - and just one birdie to compensate (14th), leaving him a shot shy of what he needed to force a playoff.

He cited two missed putt opportuni-



Padraig Harrington holds the Francis **D. Ouimet Memorial Trophy after** winning the U.S. Senior Open at Broadmoor Golf Club on June 29 in Colorado Springs, Colorado. ANDREW WEVERS/GETTY IMAGES

ties on the 16th and 17th as being the difference.

"Those are two putts where the break on the green is going against that mountain," Cink said. "There's not a lot on this course that goes against that mountain. You have to decide which one's going to win out. You can feel it in your feet and you can see where the mountain is and you know where the valley is. It's just really, really hard to commit.

"That typifies what you get here, and it's frustrating because I hit really good iron shots there to put myself in position to get up there and force Harrington to make a little bit more of a heroic finish than just pars. But it wasn't to be. I don't know, that's Broadmoor for you. I wish I could have those two putts over."

Spain's Miguel Angel Jimenez made a tremendous charge and got to 10 under, tied with Cink headed into the final hole. But he bogeved No. 18 to drop him into a third-place finish at 9 under, despite shooting 6-under 64 on the day.

LPGA TOUR



Jin Hee Im and Somi Lee celebrate after Lee's putt on the fifth hole during the final round of the Dow Championship on June 29 in Midland, Michigan. DAVID BERDING/GETTY IMAGES

Somi Lee, Jin Hee Im win Dow Championship

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The Korean duo of Somi Lee and Jin Hee Im prevailed in a playoff over Lexi Thompson and Megan Khang to capture the Dow Championship title on Sunday at Midland (Mich.) Country Club. The teams replayed the par-318th to begin the playoff. Thompson got her team closer than Lee off the tee, but Im rolled in an 8-foot birdie putt and Khang missed her team's 5-footer to the left.

Lee and Im birdied the 17th hole and parred the 18th to tie Khang and Thompson at 20-under-par 260 and force the playoff. Khang and Thompson fired a 10-under 60 earlier in the day, and Lee and Im posted a 62.

The final round deployed a four-ball (best ball) format before the playoff was played in alternate shot (foursomes).

It marked the first LPGA win for both Lee and Im, and Im said she might not have been able to notch her first victory without her playing partner.

"I think we're best team ever," Im said. "Hopefully, we coming back next year."

"We are last year rookie season, but (the LPGA is) so tough LPGA," Lee added. "But we are together win and I'm now happy so much."

Thompson, who retired from fulltime LPGA competition after last season, was on the precipice of her first victory since 2019. She fell to 0-6 in LPGA Tour playoffs.

"Megan played some amazing golf this week. I pulled together some good golf today," Thompson said. "It's just great to be alongside her. We have a lot of laughs and in between shots we are relaxed and have a good time."

Khang shared that she and Thompson decided Saturday night that they would "go out there and have some fun, and whatever happens, happens." The duo started the day three shots off the lead.

"I think on the first tee, we pretty much said as long as we give ourselves two chances each hole we will see where it takes us," Khang said. "Thankfully made some few putts here and there. Bummer to miss the last one in the playoff to force another hole, but very happy how we played."

Tied for third at 18 under were the teams of Lindy Duncan and China's Miranda Wang (59) and Belgium's Manon De Roey and France's Pauline Roussin-Bouchard (64).

Sarah Schmelzel and Switzerland's Albane Valenzuela, who began the day in the lead, managed only a 66 and dropped into fifth at 17 under.

Golf



LIV GOLF

Reed wins in playoff in Texas

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Native Texan Patrick Reed sank a 10foot putt to make birdie on a playoff hole Sunday, claiming his first LIV victory and first tournament victory in his home state at the LIV Golf Dallas in Carrollton, Texas.

"I think the biggest relief is finally winning in my home state," Reed said. "They popped that news to me that I haven't won in Texas, so to finally get that done meant a lot. Obviously to get my first win here, part of LIV, meant so much to me."

Reed, a product of San Antonio, came into the day with a three-shot advantage at Maridoe Golf Club. He didn't do himself many favors in trying to wrap up the win until that huge birdie late, as Reed suffered through five bogeys over his first nine holes on the way to a 3-over-par 75.

"I seemed to leave every putt short, and just kind of putting pretty tentative." Reed said. "Today, even though the score was high compared to where it should have been, it was kind of one of those days that when you don't make putts, any little thing that's off is going to cost you. The good thing is I had a big enough lead there to hold it together."

To his credit, Reed, 34, did manage two birdies among his rocky front nine at Nos. 1 and 7, and then he stabilized, shooting par over the final nine to give himself an opportunity to pull it off in the playoff — which he did.

"I knew at some point that you're going to have to deal with some adversity,' Reed said. "It always happens every tournament, no matter when you win. You always have to deal with something. I had to deal with just the ball not going in and watching everyone get closer and closer and actually the lead there at one point.

"I told myself that hey, the putts have to start falling."

Three golfers finished tied with Reed after 54 holes at 6-under-par 210. England's Paul Casey was even at 72 on Sunday, while Japan's Jinichiro



Patrick Reed poses with the winner's trophy after winning LIV Golf Dallas at Maridoe Golf Club.

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Kozuma and South Africa's Louis Oosthuizen shot matching 4-under 68s.

Kozuma and Oosthuizen had actually come all the way back to grab the lead going into the par-4, 528-yard No. 18, but each suffered bogeys on the penultimate hole, opening the door for Reed's heroics.

"On the 18th I bogeyed, so that was kind of a little letdown," Kozuma said. "But still, all in all, it was really great, and I'm really satisfied with the day today, how it went today."

It was ultimately a tight field, with four more players finishing a single shot back in a tie for fifth at 5 under: Charles Howell III (68 on Sunday), Northern Ireland's Tom McKibbin (69), Harold Varner III (72) and England's Tyrrell Hatton (72).

Bryson DeChambeau's Crushers GC (18 under) dominated the team standings to take the event by 11 shots. Casey's and Howell's big showings certainly helped, though DeChambeau (4 under) and teammate Anirban Lahiri of India (3 under) didn't hurt things.

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"The front nine and the back nine definitely played different with the wind switch we had yesterday and today," Potgieter said. "So it was definitely nice to get that birdie with seven and eight knowing that you're going in to the back nine, where you've got some good opportunities that's going to suit my game."

Greyserman and Kirk, the co-leader after two rounds, each shot a finalround 5-under 67 to catch Potgieter (69) to force extra holes with the trio at 22-under-par 266. Birdies on 13.14 and 17 brought Potgieter back in line. All three failed to birdie the 470-yard par-4 18th, though Kirk and Grevserman both had short putts to do so, setting up the playoff, which began on No. 18 to an identical result, with Kirk missing a 9footer.

Kirk bowed out after the second playoff hole, missing a 3-foot, 9-inch par putt on No. 15. Potgieter got up-anddown from the rough behind the flag, holing a 6-foot par putt, after Greyserman missed an 11-foot birdie for the win.

The two continued to battle through Nos. 16 and 14. Both broke even on the par-four 16th, with Greyserman, 30, grazing the cup from 16 feet and Potgieter missing wide right from 15½ feet after a beautiful fairway bunker shot.

On the par-five 14th, Potgieter barely missed the lip of the cup for a would-be winning eagle on a 19-foot putt. Both settled for birdie on the hole before resuming play on 15.

Potgieter, the youngest player on Tour as a 20-year-old South African, entered the final round with a two-shot lead and shot 3-under-par 69. He shot a then-course-record 62 in Thursday's first round, which put him at the top of the leader board for much of the tournament.

Potgieter's biggest strength is his driving. He leads the Tour in driving distance this season, at 326.6 yards, 6 yards longer than No. 2 Rory McIlroy. Potgieter is 26 yards longer than Tour average.

Max Greyserman tees off No. 3 during the final round of the Rocket Classic at the Detroit Golf Club in Detroit on June 29. FINN GOMEZ/DETROIT FREE PRESS

Detroit still owns the longest playoff in Tour history — 11 playoff holes at the 1949 Motor City Open, which ended in a tie between Cary Middlecoff and Lloyd Mangrum.

Cam Davis (2021) and Rickie Fowler (2023) won the two other Rocket threeman playoffs, with Davis winning in five holes on No. 15 and Fowler winning on No. 18, the first playoff hole.

Michael Thorbjornsen and Jake Knapp, who shot a Detroit Golf Clubrecord 61 on Friday, tied for fourth this year at 21-under.

Collin Morikawa, the top-ranked player in the field at No. 5 in the world and making his second start in Detroit, finished tied for eighth at 19-under after shooting 4-under 68 Sunday. He lost as part of the playoff to Fowler in 2023.

Next year's 2026 Rocket Classic moves back to July 30-Aug. 2, to be played two weeks after the season's final major, The Open Championship at Royal Birkdale.

The new date also gives Detroit Golf Club more time to finish its \$16 million renovation led by architect Tyler Rae, set to begin immediately Monday, June 30.