

1964 PGA Championship hosted by Columbus Country Club!

Bobby Nichols opened up play in the 1964 PGA Championship firing a 64, the first ever 64 posted in the major championship. Nichols won wire-to-wire with a four round total of 271, a new record for the event and one in which stood for 30 years until Nick Price won the PGA in 1969 with a four round score of 269.

Nichols led Arnold Palmer by one shot after three rounds. Buffeted by his "Army," Palmer carded a final round 69, but Nichols was two strokes better, coming in with a 67. Arnie finished the event tied for second with defending champion Jack Nicklaus who closed by matching the 18-hole record of 64 that Nichols had set just a few days earlier.

It was the first of three runner-up finishes in the PGA Championship for Palmer, who never won this major title. The 1964 PGA Championship was Bobby Nichols fourth win of his career. He would go on to capture seven more titles, but the glory of the '64 PGA crown would be his only win in a major.

1964 PGA Championship Final Leaderboard – Top Eight Placing

Bobby Nichols	64-71-69-67-271	\$18,000
Arnold Palmer	68-68-69-69-274	\$9,000
Jack Nicklaus	67-73-70-64-274	\$9,000
Mason Rudolph	73-66-68-69-276	\$5,000
Tom Nieporte	68-71-68-72-279	\$3,850
Ken Venturi	72-65-73-69-279	\$3,850
Bo Wininger	69-68-73-70-280	\$3,200
Gay Brewer	72-71-71-67—281	\$2,900
Billy Casper	68-72-70-72-282	\$2,300
Jon Gustin	69-76-71-66-282	\$2,300
Ben Hogan	70-72-68-72-282	\$2,300
Tony Lema	71-68-72-71-282	\$2,300
Ed Furgol	71-69-72-71—283	\$1,650
Billy Maxwell	72-71-70-70-283	\$1,650
Gary Player	70-71-71-71-283	\$1,650
Mike Souchak	67-73-71-72-283	\$1,650