



2009 Sony Open in Hawaii

(The second of 37 events in the PGA TOUR Regular Season)

Honolulu, HI
Waialae Country Club

January 15-18, 2008

FedExCup Points: 500
Par/Yards: 35-35--70/7,044

Purse: \$5,400,000

Second-Round Notes – Friday, January 16, 2009

Weather: Mostly cloudy with scattered heavy rain showers. High of 80, with winds SW in the morning, shifting W in the afternoon. Sustained winds 15-25 mph, with gusts up to 35 mph.

Tom Pernice Jr. (63) and Nathan Green (66) moved into a share of the lead after two rounds of the Sony Open in Hawaii, moving one stroke clear of Brian Gay (67) and first-round leader Shigeki Maruyama (68).

Australian Nathan Green posted a second consecutive 4-under 66 in his fourth career start at Waialae Country Club (5th-2006, T34-2007, MC-2008). This represents the second 36-hole lead of his career on the PGA TOUR. The first came after rounds of 67-63 at the 2007 John Deere Classic, resulting in a T3 finish.

Pernice, who needed just 20 putts on Friday, is making his ninth start at the Sony Open in Hawaii, with a T8 in 2008 his best outing. Making his 506th career start this week, Pernice struggled in his first seven starts here, with a T42 his only made cut prior to last season's top-10 finish. This is the eighth 36-hole lead of his career, with two of those leading to the winner's circle (1999 Buick Open and the 2001 The International). The two-time PGA TOUR winner will become eligible for the Champions Tour later this year when he reaches his 50th birthday on September 5.

The cut came at 1-over-par 141 with 78 players advancing to the weekend.

Tadd Fujikawa, at 18 years and 8 days, posted a 1-under 69 on Friday to make the cut for the first time as a professional (seven starts) on the PGA TOUR. He also has two starts as an amateur on TOUR, finishing T20 at the 2007 Sony Open in Hawaii. At even-par 140, Fujikawa will enter the third round in a tie for 50th place. He'll earn a paycheck of at least \$9,936, which will be paid out to the 78th-place finisher on Sunday.

Lorens Chan, at 14 years, 7 months and 25 days, failed in his attempt to become the youngest player in PGA TOUR history to make a cut – a distinction held by Bob Panasuk (15 years, 8 months, 20 days) at the 1957 Canadian Open. Chan finished the tournament at 7-over 147 after a 75 on Friday. Incidentally, Fujikawa is the second youngest to make the cut in a TOUR event, doing so at the age of 16 years and four days at the 2007 Sony Open in Hawaii.

First-round leader Shigeki Maruyama hung tough on Friday with a 2-under 68, with his lone bogey coming at the par-4 14th hole. The 39-year-old native of Chiba, Japan has now made nine cuts in 11 starts at the Sony Open in Hawaii, with three top-10 finishes and a best effort of T3 in 2005.

This is the second consecutive year that Steve Marino has been inside the top 10 through 36 holes at the Sony Open in Hawaii. Last year, at 8-under 132, he was T4 through two rounds and six shots behind tournament-leader K.J. Choi. He went on to finish T4. Rounds of 68-67 this year have in a tie for seventh place, three shots behind the leaders.

Steve Stricker posted a 2-under 68 to move to T25 on the leaderboard. The four-time PGA TOUR winner has finished T4 at the Sony Open in Hawaii each of the last two years.

2009 Mercedes-Benz Championship winner Geoff Ogilvy continues his strong play, with a second-round 1-under 69 good enough for a T7 spot on the leaderboard. This is Ogilvy's sixth start at the Sony Open in Hawaii, with his only previous made cut leading to a T8 finish in 2007.

David Mathis, who finished 14th on the 2008 Nationwide Tour money list, posted a 68 for the second consecutive day to lead the graduating class through the first two rounds (T11). Matt Bettencourt, the leading money-winner on the Nationwide Tour in 2008, rallied from an opening 73 with a 2-under 68 to make the cut in his first career start on the PGA TOUR.

Past champions of the Sony Open in Hawaii and their standing through 36 holes: Corey Pavin (MC), John Huston (WD), Jeff Sluman (MC), Paul Azinger (T63), Brad Faxon (MC), Jerry Kelly (T38), Ernie Els (T63), David Toms (T11), Paul Goydos (MC) and K.J. Choi (T16).

Two-time Sony Open in Hawaii champion Ernie Els (T63) bounced back from an opening 2-over 72 with a 1-under 69 on Friday – including a birdie on his final hole to make the cut on the number. He has now posted par-or-better scores in 20 of 22 rounds at the Sony Open in Hawaii – including 19 rounds in the 60s. He is seeking his sixth top-5 finish in as many appearances at the tournament.

After no bogey-free rounds on Thursday, three players performed the feat during the second round, including Tom Pernice Jr. (63), Stewart Cink (65) and David Toms (66).

Scoring Averages:

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
Thursday	35.590	35.736	71.326	---
Friday	34.430	35.683	70.113	70.724

The par-4 13th hole played the toughest on Friday, yielding a 4.514 average and just two birdies. The par-5 ninth hole was the easiest at 4.134.