



2009 World Golf Championships-Accenture Match Play Championship
(The eighth of 37 events in the PGA TOUR Regular Season)

February 25-March 1, 2009
The Ritz-Carlton Golf Club, Dove Mountain
Marana, Ariz.
Par/Yards: 36-36-72/7,849

FedExCup Points: 550 points to the winner
Purse: \$8,500,000

Second-Round Notes – Friday, February 27, 2009

Weather

Mostly sunny skies with highs in the mid to high-70s. Light winds in the morning and increasing in the afternoon to 10-15 mph.

Attendance

Monday: 5,570 (5,000 in 2008)
Tuesday: 7,610 (7,500 in 2008)
Wednesday: 13,620 (12,500 in 2008)
Thursday: 14,120 (12,500 in 2008)
Friday: 11,130 (12,500 in 2008)

Info for tomorrow

If extra holes are required to determine a winner in any matches on Saturday and Sunday, players will play the 493 yard, par-4, 10th hole at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Club, Dove Mountain first. If still undecided after 19 holes, matches will continue on the back nine rotation.

Today's notes

Updated all-time Accenture Match Play Championship Records for 16 remaining players (* indicates player who made it to the quarter finals last year; # indicates player who is in the quarterfinals for the first time in their career):

Player	W-L	Years entered
Stewart Cink*	16-9	10 (1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009)
Geoff Ogilvy	14-2	4 (2006, 2007, 2008, 2009)
Justin Leonard*	12-10	10 (1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2008, 2009)
Ernie Els	9-9	9 (1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009)
Paul Casey	8-6	7 (2003, 2004, 2005, 2007, 2008, 2009)
Sean O'Hair#	4-1	2 (2006, 2009)
Ross Fisher#	3-0	1 (2009)
Rory McIlroy#	3-0	1 (2009)

One match went extra holes today: Justin Leonard defeated Oliver Wilson, 19 holes. Nine matches have gone extra holes so far this week, bringing the total to 84 for Accenture Match Play Championship history.

The 2006 Accenture Match Play Championship winner and 2007 runner-up, Geoff Ogilvy (No. 8), is the highest-ranked seed to survive.

The lowest-ranked player to survive the second round was Sean O’Hair (No. 47), who defeated Ian Poulter (No. 31), 2 and 1. The lowest-ranked player to win the Accenture Match Play Championship:

No. 62, Kevin Sutherland, 2002

No. 55, Steve Stricker, 2001

No. 52, Geoff Ogilvy, 2006

Breakdown of 2009 field of 64 players:

To start the first round:

International players: 47

United States players: 17

Countries represented: 19 (ties the most in tournament history – 2006)

Largest international contingent: Australia and South Africa, 8 each

After the third round:

International players: 5 of the 11 players won their third-round match

United States players: 3 of the 5 players won their third-round match

Countries represented: 5 of the 19 still in the field

Largest international contingent following the second round: 2, England

Winners of the 16 second-round matches by country (Number of players initially in the field in parentheses)

Northern Ireland (2)

Rory McIlroy

South Africa (8)

Ernie Els

England (7)

Paul Casey

Ross Fisher

United States (17)

Stewart Cink

Justin Leonard

Sean O’Hair

Australia (8)

Geoff Ogilvy

The largest margin of victory on Friday was 4 and 3, recorded by Ross Fisher over Jim Furyk; and Rory McIlroy over Tim Clark.

There were three “upsets” today: Sean O’Hair (No. 47) over Ian Poulter (No. 31); Ross Fisher (No. 35) over Jim Furyk (No. 14); and Stewart Cink (No. 21) over Phil Mickelson (No. 5).

History of upsets

Year	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3
2009	13	5	3
2008	13	8	2
2007	11	7	3
2006	13	6	7
2005	13	7	4
2004	12	7	3
2003	13	9	1
2002	13	11	4
2001	12	10	1
2000	11	7	1
1999	18	9	3

First-time Participants:

Of the 12 first-time participants at the 2009 Accenture Match Play Championship, six won their first-round matches and three survived the second round. Of those three, today two made it through to the quarterfinals: Ross Fisher and Rory McIlroy

Those two players will be trying to match Toru Taniguchi (2001), Pierre Fulke (2001), Scott McCarron (2002), Peter Lonard (2003), Geoff Ogilvy (2006) as the only players in tournament history to advance beyond the quarterfinals in their first start at the Accenture Match Play Championship.

No one (other than Jeff Maggert in the first event in 1999) has won the Accenture Match Play Championship in their first start.

OWGR	Name	Country
11	Anthony Kim	USA
16	Rory McIlroy	Northern Ireland
26	Alvaro Quiros	Spain
35	Ross Fisher	England
43	Oliver Wilson	England
45	Dustin Johnson	USA
49	Louis Oosthuizen	South Africa
53	Prayad Marksang	Thailand
54	Lin Wen-Tang	Taiwan
55	Mathew Goggin	Australia
61	Soren Kjeldsen	Denmark
63	Charl Schwartzel	South Africa

FIRST-TIME PARTICIPANT WINNERS

England's Ross Fisher (No. 35) defeated USA's Jim Furyk (No. 14), 4 and 3

Northern Ireland's Rory McIlroy, (No. 16) defeated South Africa's Tim Clark (No. 32), 4 and 3.

FIRST-TIME PARTICIPANT LOSERS

England's Oliver Wilson (No. 43) lost to USA's Justin Leonard (No. 27), 19 holes

Updated all-time Accenture Match Play Championship win leaders:

No.	Player	W-L
1	Tiger Woods	32-7
2	David Toms	23-8
3	Davis Love III	19-9
4	Stewart Cink	16-9
5	Phil Mickelson	15-10
6	Darren Clarke	14-7
	Geoff Ogilvy	14-2
8	Adam Scott	13-8
9	Retief Goosen	12-10
	Justin Leonard	12-10
	Chris DiMarco	12-7
	Ian Poulter	12-7
	Henrik Stenson	12-3

Stewart Cink

Stewart Cink advanced to the quarterfinals for the second time in 10 starts and the second year in a row. After going extra holes in the first two rounds (defeated Richard Sterne in round one after 19 holes; defeated Lee Westwood in round two after 23 holes), Cink went to the 18th hole in his match today with Phil Mickelson. With 60 holes played in three days, Cink is right up there with most holes played in the first three rounds, behind the record of 62 set by Vijay Singh in 2008; and 61 set by Geoff Ogilvy in 2006 and Chad Campbell in 2005).

Cink will face Ernie Els tomorrow in a potential Presidents Cup preview match. The two have never squared off in match-play competition at either the Accenture Match Play Championship or The Presidents Cup.

Cink uses a long putter. If he should go on to win this event, he would be the first to do so using a long putter in tournament history. (Kevin Sutherland used the “claw” grip when he won in 2002.)

Geoff Ogilvy

Geoff Ogilvy, the lone Australian left in the field, continues his stellar play at the Accenture Match Play Championship. Now with a 14-2 record, Ogilvy has the highest winning percentage (87.5 percent) of any player in the event history with more than 10 wins on his resume. Second is Tiger Woods (32-7, 82.05 percent), followed by David Toms (23-8, 74.2 percent).

Ogilvy will certainly have the advantage of experience tomorrow in his match against 19-year-old Rory McIlroy. This is Ogilvy’s third trip to the quarterfinals, and he’s won the previous two.

Ernie Els

With a win over Luke Donald today (after Donald conceded the match before he hit his tee shot on the 18th hole due to a recurring wrist injury), Ernie Els advanced to the quarterfinals of the Accenture Match Play Championship for the first (and only other) time since 2001. That year, Els defeated Craig Stadler, 1 up, but lost in the semi-finals against Pierre Fulke.

Els won the CA Championship in 2004. A win this week would make him only the fourth player to win more than one official World Golf Championships event (joining Tiger Woods, 15; Darren Clarke, 2; Geoff Ogilvy, 2). Els won the World Cup with Retief Goosen in 2001 when the event was a World Golf Championships event.