



2013 Sony Open in Hawaii

(The 2nd of 36 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

Honolulu, HI

Waialae Country Club

Jan. 10-13, 2013

Par/Yards: 35-35—70/7,044

Purse: \$5,600,000 (\$1,080,000 to the winner)

500 FedExCup points to winner

Third-Round Notes – Saturday, January 12, 2013

Weather

Mostly cloudy. High of 81. Winds E 8-15 mph.

Third-Round Leaderboard

Russell Henley	63-63-67—193 (-17)
Scott Langley	62-66-65—193 (-17)
Tim Clark	64-66-66—196 (-14)
Scott Gardiner	68-64-65—197 (-13)
Charles Howell III	66-64-67—197 (-13)

Scott Langley (17-under 193)

Rookies Scott Langley (65) and Russell Henley (67) continue to battle it out at the Sony Open in Hawaii, tied at 17-under 193. The previous 54-hole record at the Sony Open was John Huston's 194 in 1998.

Earlier this week, Langley tied the tournament mark for the lowest first-round score, an 8-under-par 62. Scott Simpson set the mark in 1991 and Brian Claar each matched it in 1997.

Langley leads the field in most birdies (19) and Strokes Gained-Putting (9.181) through three rounds.

The left-handed Langley made four starts in 2012, with a T29 finish at the U.S. Open his best outing.

Langley, the 2010 NCAA champion at the University of Illinois, is the first former participant of The First Tee program to earn a PGA TOUR card. In fact, he teamed with Champions Tour player Dana Quigley to win the pro-junior portion of the Wal-mart First Tee Open at Pebble Beach in 2006.

Langley is seeking to become the 11th lefthander to win on the PGA TOUR and first since Ted Potter Jr. at the 2012 Greenbrier Classic: Phil Mickelson (40), Mike Weir (8), Bob Charles (6), Steve Flesch (4), Bubba Watson (4), Sam Adams (1), Ernie Gonzales (1), Russ Cochran (1), Eric Axley (1) and Ted Potter Jr. (1).

Russell Henley (17-under 193)

After entering the third round with a two-stroke lead over Scott Langley, Russell Henley carded a 3-under 67 to hold a share of the lead with Langley with just 18 holes remaining.

Earlier this week, Henley set a Sony Open in Hawaii record for the best first 36-hole score in event history at 14-under-par 126. It broke the record of 12-under-par 128 set in 1994 by Davis Love III and matched by John Huston (1998), Paul Azinger (2000), Brad Faxon (2001) and John Cook (2002).

Henley became just the second rookie to post a 36-hole (opening rounds) total of 126 on Tour. Mark Turnesa did so at the 2008 Shriners Hospitals for Children Open. The PGA TOUR record in that category is 124 by Pat Perez (2009 Bob Hope Classic) and David Toms (2011 Crowne Plaza Invitational at Colonial).

Henley became the second-ever amateur to ever win on the Web.com Tour when he captured the 2011 Stadion Classic at UGA one week before graduating from the University of Georgia. He won seven times during his college career at Georgia, tying the school's all-time record set by Chris Kirk.

Henley, a 23-year-old native of Macon, Ga., was one of five two-time winners on the Web.com Tour in 2012, finishing No. 3 on the official money list.

Miscellaneous Notes on the Leaders

The last rookie winner on the PGA TOUR was Charlie Beljan at the 2012 Children's Miracle Network Classic. The last rookie to win in his PGA TOUR debut was Garrett Willis (2001 Touchstone Energy Tucson Open).



The last players to win in first starts as official members of the TOUR are Henrik Stenson (2007 World Golf Championships-Accenture Match Play Championship) and Garrett Willis (2001 Touchstone Energy Tucson Open).

The last player to record his first PGA TOUR victory at the Sony Open was Jerry Kelly (2002).

The last player to win the Sony Open in his first attempt was Bruce Lietzke (1977).

Additional Player Notes

Tim Clark's 4-under 66 on Saturday leaves him in solo third and three strokes behind the leaders. The South African owns 10 runner-up finishes on the PGA TOUR, including at least one in each of the last eight seasons (including the 2011 Sony Open in Hawaii).

Scott Gardiner (T4) is seeking to become the first player to win in his first PGA TOUR start since Jim Benepe at the 1988 Western Open.

Charles Howell III (T4) will enter the final round four strokes behind the leaders. Having made the cut in 10 of 12 starts in this event, Howell has never shot anything worse than even-par 70 in his 19 weekend rounds. Last year, his runner-up finish (the 13th of his career) was his sixth top-5 finish at the Sony Open: 2012 (T2), 2010 (T5), 2009 (4th), 2007 (T2), 2005 (T3) and 2002 (T4).

One day after tying his career-low round on the PGA TOUR (63), 2013 TOUR Rookie of the Year John Huh carded a 2-under 68 to sit T24 with 18 holes to play.

One day after matching a career-low round with a 7-under-par 63, Matt Kuchar posted an even-par 70 to sit T10.

Monday qualifier Danny Lee, the 2008 U.S. Amateur champion, posted his third-consecutive 66 to sit T6.

Russ Cochran, who currently plays on the Champions Tour, is another Monday qualifier enjoying success this week. The 2011 Senior British Open winner followed consecutive 68s with a 4-under 66 to move to T24.

Russell Henley is not the only former Georgia Bulldog enjoying a good week so far. Chris Kirk, a 2007 UGA grad, is currently T6 after rounds of 68-62-68. Kirk's 62 on Friday was his career-low on the PGA TOUR.

Miscellaneous Notes

Past champions of the Sony Open in Hawaii: Vijay Singh (T24), Ryan Palmer (T67), Zach Johnson (MC), Johnson Wagner (MC), Jerry Kelly (MC), K.J. Choi (MC), Mark Wilson (MC).

One day after Friday's second-round scoring average (68.718) became the lowest in this event dating back to 1986, Saturday's average came in even lower at 68.162. The previous low was 69.000 in 2004.

As a point of reference, last year's 54-hole leaders were Jeff Maggert and Matt Every, who were two clear of eventual champion Johnson Wagner, Charles Howell III and Brendon de Jonge.

Bogey-free rounds:

R1 – Scott Langley (62), Tim Clark (64), Stephen Ames (65), Scott Piercy (66), Webb Simpson (66), Matt Jones (66), Ryan Palmer (67), Vijay Singh (67), David Mathis (69), Chez Reavie (69).

R2 – Russell Henley (63), Scott Piercy (64), Matt Kuchar (63), Chris Kirks (62), Tim Clark (66), Pat Perez (63), John Huh (63), Ricky Barnes (65), John Senden (66), Steve Marino (67), Kyle Stanley (65), Jeff Maggert (67), Martin Flores (67), Steve LeBrun (67).

R3 –Harris English (62), Josh Teater (65), Brian Gay (66), Kevin Streelman (66), Justin Leonard (67), Pat Perez (67), Russell Henley (67).

Scoring Averages at the par-70 Waiialae Country Club:

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
R1	35.375	34.410	69.785	
R2	34.366	34.352	68.718	69.255
R3	34.473	33.689	68.162	69.031