



2013 World Golf Championships-Accenture Match Play Championship (The 8th of 36 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

Marana, Ariz. Feb. 18-24, 2012 Purse: \$8,750,000 (\$1,500,000 to the winner)

The Golf Club at Dove Mountain Par/Yards: 36-36 – 72/7,791

FINAL First-Round Notes – Friday, February 22, 2013

Weather/Schedule

Thursday: Partly cloudy skies with highs slowly warming into the low to mid 50s by the afternoon. Winds SSW 10-15 mph.

Friday for the resumption of round one: Sunny and cool; temperatures in the low 40s; winds NE 4-8 mph.

Two matches were not completed on Thursday and resumed at 9:30 a.m. on Friday

Match No. 30 - Carl Pettersson (No. 33), 1 up over Rickie Fowler (No. 32), through 17 holes

Match no. 32 - Gonzalo Fdez Castano (No. 31) and Francesco Molinari (No. 34), all square through 15

For Friday, Golf Channel airtimes have changed. The live coverage will be from 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. MT. The Military Appreciation Ceremony will take place on Friday at 8:50 a.m.

Lift clean and place was used on Thursday once players began a new hole. The ball was played down on any hole that was already in progress from Wednesday.

Weather Delays at the Accenture Match Play Championship (1999-2013; all times local)

2003 (Carlsbad, Calif.)

Thursday, cloudy with more than one-half inch of rain in the morning. Play was delayed in individual matches due to accumulation of water on several greens.

2004 (Carlsbad, Calif.)

Heavy rains (1.5 inches) postponed play all day on Thursday. 10 minute delay at start of play on Friday due to dangerous situation

2005 (Carlsbad, Calif.)

Wednesday's first round was suspended due to wet conditions. More than one inch of rain fell between Monday-Wednesday, that added to the more than 18 inches that had come in the San Diego area since January 1.

2006 (Carlsbad, Calif.)

15 minute fog delay to begin Saturday's play.

2007 (Marana, Ariz.)

The 7:22 a.m. start was delayed on Saturday until 8:15 a.m. due to frost. Low temperature was 33 degrees warming to the low-50s in the afternoon, Sunday scheduled 7:40 a.m. start was delayed 30 minutes until 8:50 a.m. due to frost.

2010 (Marana, Ariz.)

Semi-finals on Saturday suspended from 12:29 p.m. until 12:44 p.m. due to heavy rain and strong winds

2011 (Marana, Ariz.)

On Wednesday, the start was delayed 30 minutes from 7:25 a.m. to 7:55 a.m. MT due to frost.

On Sunday, early morning snow dropped approximately 1 inch of snow the course. The snow did not delay the start of play, with the Consolation match beginning at 12:05 p.m. MT and the Championship match at 12:20 p.m. MT. Play was suspended for five minutes from 1:04 p.m. to 1:09 p.m. MT due to hail.

2013 (Marana, Ariz.)

On Wednesday, play was suspended at 11:07 a.m. due to accumulating hail and sleet. Play was suspended for the day at 1:05 p.m.

On Thursday, the first-round was scheduled to resume at 8:30 a.m. MT, but did not start until 1 p.m. MT to allow for the snow on the golf course to melt. Match No. 24 teed off at 1:10 p.m., with subsequent matches teeing off in 10-minute increments after that.

Quick Recap of play on Wednesday and Thursday

Twenty-three of the 32 matches began on Wednesday before play was suspended. Match No. 23 – Webb Simpson (15) vs David Lynn (50) – were the last group to tee off. They did not complete the first hole.

The first match of the day – Sergio Garcia (12) vs Thongchai Jaidee (53)– was through 15 holes, with Garcia 2 up and with a 12-foot birdie putt, when play was suspended.

The largest lead as of suspension of play was Jason Day (41), 6 up in his match against Zach Johnson (24) through 10 holes. Bo Van Pelt (No. 22) was 5 up in his match against John Senden (No. 43).

Breakdown of the field of 64 players, by country:

To start the first round: International players: 43

U.S. players: 21

Countries represented: 17

Largest international contingent: South Africa (7)

After the first round:

International players: 20

U.S. players: 12

Countries represented: 10

Largest international contingent: Sweden (4)

Winners of the 32 matches by country (Number of players initially in the field in parentheses)

United States (21)
Matt Kuchar
Bo Van Pelt
Russell Henley
Hunter Mahan
Bubba Watson
Jim Furyk
Steve Stricker

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Robert Garrigus Scott Piercy Charles Howell III

Rickie Fowler Tiger Woods

Jason Dufner Keegan Bradley Dustin Johnson Zach Johnson Bil Haas

Ryan Moore David Toms

South Africa (7)

Richard Sterne Tim Clark

Tim Clark Louis Oosthuizen Charl Schwartzel

Ernie Els Branden Grace George Coetzee

England (6)

lan Poulter
Justin Rose
Luke Donald
Lee Westwood
David Lynn
Chris Wood

Sweden (5)
Fredrick Jacobson
Aleander Noren
Peter Hanson
Carl Pettersson

Australia (4)
Jason Day
Marcus Fraser
Adam Scott
John Senden

Henrik Stenson

Scotland (3)
Paul Lawrie
Stephen Gallacher
Richie Ramsay

Spain (3)Sergio Garcia
Rafael Cabrera Bello
Gonzalo Fdez-Castano

Germany (2)
Martin Kaymer
Marce Siem

Denmark (2)
Thorbjorn Olesen
Thomas Bjorn

Ireland (2)
Shane Lowry
Padraig Harrington

Italy (2)

Francesco Molinari Matteo Manassero

Northern Ireland (2) Graeme McDowell Rory McIlroy

Belgium (1)
Nicolas Colsaerts

Japan (1) Hiroyuki Fujita

South Korea (1) K.J. Choi

Thailand (1)
Thongchai Jaidee

Wales (1)

Jamie Donaldson

Matches decided in extra holes:

Three matches were decided in extra holes during the first round (with two matches left to play). The tournament record for first-round matches going to extra holes is 8, set in 2011.

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Match 1 – Sergio Garcia (SPN) defeated Thongchai Jaidee (THA), 20 holes
Match 15 – Rafael Cabrera Bello (SPN) defeated Lee Westwood (ENG), 19 holes
Match 30 – Carl Pettersson (SWE) defeated Rickie Fowler (USA), 19 holes
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All-time Accenture Match Play Championship First-Round Results:

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1999 – 14 of 32 matches won by top seed 2000 – 21 of 32 matches won by top seed 2001 – 20 of 32 matches won by top seed 2002 – 19 of 32 matches won by top seed 2003 – 19 of 32 matches won by top seed 2004 – 20 of 32 matches won by top seed 2005 – 19 of 32 matches won by top seed 2006 – 19 of 32 matches won by top seed 2007 – 21 of 32 matches won by top seed 2008 – 19 of 32 matches won by top seed 2009 – 19 of 32 matches won by top seed 2010 – 20 of 32 matches won by top seed 2010 – 20 of 32 matches won by top seed 2011 – 18 of 32 matches won by top seed 2012 – 17 of 32 matches won by top seed 2013 – 17 of 30 matches won by top seed
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History of upsets (lower seed defeating higher seed)

The lowest-ranked players to survive the first round were No. 64 ranked Shane Lowry and No. 63-ranked Charles Howell III.

The lowest-seeded player to win the Accenture Match Play Championship:

No. 62, Kevin Sutherland, 2002 No. 55, Steve Stricker, 2001 No. 52, Geoff Ogilvy, 2006

How the number-one seeds fared:

Bobby Jones Bracket: Shane Lowry (No. 64) defeated Rory McIlroy (No. 1), 1 up Gary Player Bracket: Charles Howell III (No. 63) defeated Tiger Woods (No. 2), 2 and 1 Sam Speed Bracket: Luke Depoil (No. 2) defeated Marcel Sigm (No. 62), 1 up

Sam Snead Bracket: <u>Luke Donald (No. 3</u>) defeated Marcel Siem (No. 62), 1 up

Ben Hogan Bracket: Louis Oosthuizen (No. 4) defeated Richie Ramsay (No. 61), 2 and 1

The last and only time the top-two seeds lost in the first round of the Accenture Match Play Championship was 2002. Peter O'Malley defeated Tiger Woods, 2 and 1; John Cook defeated Phil Mickleson, 3 and 2. No. 3 seed David Duval also lost, to No. 62 Kevin Sutherland, who went on to win the tournament.

First-time Participants: 12

Of the 12 first-time participants at the 2013 Accenture Match Play Championship, six came out on top on in round one. Geoff Ogilvy is the only player (other than Jeff Maggert in the first event in 1999) who won the Accenture Match Play Championship in his first start (2006).

First-time participants (underlined), first-round results (Henley is the only player competing in his first World Golf Championships event):

Thorbjorn Olesen (No. 38) defeated Jamie Donaldson (No. 27), 3 and 2

Marcus Fraser (No. 52) defeated Keegan Bradley (No. 13), 1 up

lan Poulter (No. 11) defeated Stephen Gallacher (No. 54), 2 and 1

Robert Garrigus (No. 36) defeated Branden Grace (No. 29), 4 and 3

Russell Henley (No. 56) defeated Jason Dufner (No. 10), 1 up

Webb Simpson (No. 15) defeated David Lynn (No. 50), 5 and 4

Scott Piercy (No. 35) defeated Paul Lawrie (No. 30), 4 and 3

Louis Oosthuizen (No. 4) defeated Richie Ramsay (No. 61), 2 and 1

Luke Donald (No. 3) defeated Marcel Siem (No. 62), 1 up

Shane Lowry (No. 64) defeated Rory McIlroy (No. 1), 1 up

First-round match highlights

Match No. 1 - Sergio Garcia (No. 12) vs Thongchai Jaidee (No. 53)

When play was suspended on Wednesday, Sergio Garcia was 2 up and looking at a 10-foot-5-inch birdie putt on No. 16 that would have closed out his first-round match against Thongchai Jaidee. What could have been a short day of golf for Garcia on Thursday turned much longer as he three-putted for bogey on No. 16 to drop to 1 up, and then watched Jaidee's approach on No. 18 stop just 4 feet from the hole, which Jaidee calmly putted in for birdie to square the match.

Garcia had his hat off, ready to shake Jaidee's hand in defeat, as Jaidee had only a 9-foot putt for birdie to win the match on No. 1, but Jaidee missed and the two moved on to the par-5 2nd. Jaidee laid up, while Garcia went for the green and two-putted from just over 30 feet to close out the match.

For Garcia, it was the fourth time he had gone to extra holes at the Accenture Match Play Championship, and he now owns a 4-0 record in those situations. His overall record improves to 13-11.

Garcia in extra holes at the Accenture Match Play Championship

2000 (first appearance) – R1: beat Loren Roberts, 20 holes (eventually finished T9)

2005 – R2: beat Jerry Kelly, 19 holes (eventually finished T9)

2007 – R1: beat Darren Clarke, 19 holes (eventually finished T17)

2013 - R1: beat Thongchai Jaidee, 20 holes

Jaidee, who went all the way to the quarterfinals in 2010 – his only other Accenture Match Play Championship appearance – before losing to eventual champion Ian Poulter, drops to a 3-2 record at the event.

Match No. 2 - Matt Kuchar (No. 21) defeated Hiroyuki Fujita (No. 44), 3 and 2

Matt Kuchar came back to the course on Thursday and needed just two pars to finish out his match against Japan's Hiroyuki Fujita. On Wednesday, Kuchar won No. 9, 10 and 11 to go 4 up. He lost No. 12, won No. 13 and then lost No. 14 just before play was suspended.

Kuchar was the only player who elected to continue playing the remaining holes after his match was completed in order to prepare for round two.

Kuchar's record improves to 10-3. He has yet to lose a first-round match in his four career Accenture Match Play Championship appearances. His best finish is third place in 2011, when he defeated Bubba Watson in the Consolation Match.

For Fujita, it's his second consecutive first-round loss in two Accenture Match Play Championship starts.

Match No. 3 - Ian Poulter (No. 11) defeated Stephen Gallacher (No. 54), 2 and 1

After winning the Accenture Match Play Championship in 2010, Ian Poulter has made an early exit from the event, losing in the first rounds to Stewart Cink (19 holes) in 2011 and to Sang Moon Bae (4 and 3) in 2012, but not this year. Poulter had a 3-up lead in his first-round match on Wednesday (through 12 holes) when play was suspended; he made double-bogey on No. 14 when play resumed to fall to 2 up, but matched Stephen Gallacher's birdie on 15 to maintain his 2-up lead.

Poulter's record improves to 19-9. Gallacher loses in his first-career match at the event.

Match No. 4 - Bo Van Pelt (No. 22) defeated John Senden (No. 43), 6 and 5

Bo Van Pelt had a short day on Thursday; he came back to the course with a 5-up lead and won No. 13 with a par. Van Pelt won six consecutive holes on Wednesday prior to the suspension of play (No. 7-12).

Van Pelt's Accenture Match Play Championship record improves to 2-2. He has only one previous appearance in round 2; in 2011, he lost to Matt Kuchar, 3 and 2.

Senden's record falls to 2-3; this was his worst defeat in the event. In 2012, he beat Jason Day in round two by the same margin.

Match No. 5 - Russell Henley (No. 56) defeats Charl Schwartzel (No. 9), 1 up

PGA TOUR rookie Russell Henley, the only player in the field competing in his very first World Golf Championships event, surprised many by defeating Charl Schwartzel, who has never lost a round-one match at the Accenture Match Play Championship in four previous appearances. Schwartzel's record is now 5-5.

Henley is currently ranked No. 6 in the FedExCup standings and No. 56 in the Official World Golf Ranking. If he were to move into the top 50 after the Accenture Match Play Championship or The Honda Classic, he would qualify for the World Golf Championships-Cadillac Championship. Additionally, Henley could qualify for the event by remaining in the top 10 of the FedExCup standings after The Honda Classic.

Match No. 6 - Jason Day (No. 41) def Zach Johnson (No. 24), 6 and 5

Jason Day's most recent match at the Accenture Match Play Championship – in round two, 2012 – ended fairly quickly, as he was defeated by fellow countryman John Senden, 6 and 5. Day turned the tables on his first-round opponent Zach Johnson this year, winning seven of the first 10 holes before play was suspended. With a 6-and-5 victory, Day handed Johnson his most lopsided defeat in 16 career matches at this event.

Five of the eight holes Day won came with birdies: holing a 39-foot putt on No. 4; an 18-foot putt on No. 5; a 7-foot put on No. 6; a 15-1/2-foot putt on No. 8; and then closing out the match with an up-and-down from the front of the green on the par-5 13th hole (Day chipped to 2 feet).

Prior to today, Johnson's worst defeat was a 4-and-3 loss to Luke Donald in round one of the 2005 event, Johnson's first appearance at the Accenture Match Play Championship. Six of his eight previous losses went to at least the 17th hole. In fact, the last time Johnson participated in a match that ended prior to 17 – win or lose – was the semifinals of the 2006 event, when he lost to David Love III, 4 and 2, a string of nine matches (that year, he eventually won the Consolation Mach to finish third, his career-best performance in the Accenture Match Play Championship). Johnson's record drops to 7-9.

For Day, it marks his third-consecutive win in the first round and largest margin of victory. Day's record improves to 4-2. His best finish of two previous appearances was a T9 in 2011.

Match No. 7 - Richard Sterne (No. 55) defeated Jason Dufner (No. 10), 1 up

Richard Sterne, the recent winner of the Joburg Open on the European Tour, upset Jason Dufner to win his first-round match for the first time in three appearances. He hadn't qualified for the Accenture Match Play Championship since 2009. Sterne faces defending champion Hunter Mahan in round two; Mahan defeated Sterne in the first round in 2008.

Dufner loses in the first round for the second-consecutive year (0-2 record).

Dufner was 4 down through 11 holes (played 10 holes on Wednesday), but mounted a bit of a comeback with birdies on No. 12, 13, 15 and 16 to pull within 1 down.

Match No. 8 - Hunter Mahan (No. 23) defeated Matteo Manassero (No. 34), 5 and 4

Hunter Mahan becomes the first defending champion to advance past the first round since 2009 champion Geoff Ogilvy in 2010 (lan Poulter was defeated in round one in 2011 and Luke Donald was defeated in round one in 2012). Only Tiger Woods (2003-04) has successfully defended a title at the Accenture Match Play Championship.

Mahan's record improves to 11-4. He has won nine of his last 10 matches.

Manassero loses in the first round for the first time in three career appearances at the Accenture Match Play Championship (record is now 3-3). In the 14 holes he played in round one, Manassero posted eight bogeys and no birdies.

Match No. 9 - Justin Rose (No. 5) defeated K.J. Choi (No. 60), 2 and 1

KJ Choi went from 3 down through eight holes to all-square through 14 holes, thanks to birdies on No. 9, 11 and 13, but was unable to finish off the comeback and exits after round one for the sixth time in 10 Accenture Match Play Championship appearances (record drops to 6-10).

Justin Rose's record improves to 6-7. His best finish in seven appearances is a T5 in 2007. He will be looking to advance past the second round for just the second time in his eight Accenture Match Play Championship appearances.

Match No. 10 - Nicolas Colsaerts (No. 37) defeated Bill Haas (No. 28), 5 and 4

Belgium's first-ever PGA TOUR member Nicolas Colsaerts, who played for the victorious European Ryder Cup Team in 2012, won in his first Accenture Match Play Championship appearance, handing Bill Haas his third-consecutive round-one loss in three starts at the event.

Colsaerts lost only one hole (No. 7, with a bogey). He will face Ryder Cup teammate Justin Rose in round two.

Match No. 11 - Tim Clark (No. 59) defeated Adam Scott (No. 6), 2 and 1

Plagued by an elbow injury last season, Tim Clark hasn't played in the Accenture match Play Championship since 2010, but he pulled off the upset on Thursday, handing Adam Scott his third-consecutive defeat in round one of the event. Scott hasn't advanced past the second round since 2005. His record drops to 14-12, while Clark's improves to 4-6.

Scott was 1 up through eight holes when play was suspended on Wednesday; the two went back-and-forth with winning holes (Clark won No. 9; Scott won No. 10; Clark won No. 11) and the match remained all square through 15 holes when both made birdie. But two missed greens led to two bogeys by Scott on No. 16 and 17, giving Clark the 2-up victory.

Clark's best finish in seven previous Accenture Match Play Championship appearances is a T9 in 2009 and 2010.

Match No. 12 - Thorbjorn Olesen (No. 38) defeated Jamie Donaldson (No. 27), 3 and 2

In a match that featured two Accenture Match Play Championship "first timers," Denmark's Thorbjorn Olesen got to 3 up through seven holes before play was suspended and then really didn't look back on Thursday to defeat Jamie Donaldson, 3 up. Olesen never trailed in the match and lost only three holes.

Geoff Ogilvy is the only player (other than Jeff Maggert in the first event in 1999) who won the Accenture Match Play Championship in his first start (2006).

Match No. 13 - Bubba Watson (No. 8) defeated Chris Wood (No. 57), 2 and 1

Bubba Watson, who owns the best finish in the Accenture Match Play Championship by a left-hander (4th in 2011), defeated Chris Wood, who was making his first Accenture Match Play Championship start. Watson only lost three holes in the match, two before play was suspended on Wednesday (he made double-bogey on the par-5 2nd hole and bogey on the par-3 6th hole). They began Thursday all square through six, but Watson wasted little time getting a 2-up lead, winning No. 7 and 8 (with an eagle to Wood's birdie). Wood and Watson matched birdies on No. 11, 13 and 17.

Watson's record improves to 6-3.

Match No. 14 – Jim Furyk (No. 25) defeated Ryan Moore (No. 40), 4 and 2

Jim Furyk never trailed in his match against Ryan Moore, advancing to the second round for the first time since 2010. His record improves to 11-12, while Moore's drops to 3-3.

Match No. 15 – Rafael Cabrera Bello (No. 58) defeated Lee Westwood (No. 7), 19 holes

Spain's Rafael Cabrera Bello followed in fellow Spaniard Sergio Garcia's footsteps today, taking extra holes to win his first-round match against Lee Westwood. It was a victory for Cabrera Bello in his first start at the Accenture Match Play Championship against a player who had played 25 matches coming into today.

Cabrera Bello was 3 down at one point but won four holes on the back nine and made birdie on No. 1 (19th hole) from 10-1/2 feet to win the match.

Westwood is now 0-4 at the Accenture Match Play Championship when involved in a match going to extra holes.

2006 - R1: lost to Scott Verplank, 26 holes

2007 - R1: lost to Padraig Harrington, 19 holes

2009 - R2: lost to Stewart Cink, 23 holes

2013 - R1: lost to Rafael Cabrera Bello, 19 holes

Cabrera Bello will face Martin Kaymer in round two; he defeated Kaymer in round one of last year's Volvo World Match Play Championship on the European Tour.

Match No. 16 - Martin Kaymer (No. 26) defeated George Coetzee (No. 39), 2 and 1

Martin Kaymer and George Coetzee battled throughout their first-round match, with Kaymer winning four holes to Coetzee's two. Kaymer's biggest lead was 2 up through 13, thanks to an eagle on that hole against Coetzee's birdie. Kaymer closed out the match with flair, nearly holing his approach shot on No. 17 (1-1/2 feet), eventually making birdie to win 2 and 1.

Kaymer, who finished runner-up to Donald in the 2011 Accenture Match Play Championship, improves his record to 10-5.

Kaymer is one of 10 players who own a World Golf Championships title (2011 HSBC Champions) and a major championship (2010 PGA Championship), although he is the only one to make those his first two PGA TOUR wins. The other nine dual major/WGC winners are Keegan Bradley, Stewart Cink, Ernie Els, Phil Mickelson, Geoff Ogilvy, Vijay Singh, David Toms, Mike Weir and Tiger Woods.

Match No. 17 - Marcus Fraser (No. 52) defeated Keegan Bradley (No. 13), 1 up

In a back-and-forth match with plenty of lead changes, Marcus Fraser won five holes to Keegan Bradley's four, holing a 27-foot birdie putt to with the 17th hole and eventually needing only to match Bradley's bogey on No. 18 to win his first career Accenture Match Play Championship match.

Bradley provided a highlight on No. 10, holing out from 123 yards for an eagle-two to go 1 up on Fraser. But four bogeys on the back nine would be his undoing. Bradley's record in two appearances is now 1-2.

Match No. 18 - Fredrik Jacobson (No. 45) defeated Ernie Els (No. 20), 1 up

Riding a recent hot streak, Sweden's Fredrik Jacobson handed Ernie Els his first round-one defeat since 2008, while Jacobson advances to the second round for the first time since 2004. In his two most recent PGA TOUR starts, Jacobson has a T7 finish at the AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am and a T3 at last week's Northern Trust Open.

Jacobson improves his record to 3-3. His best finish came in 2004 – the only other time he's advanced past round one – when he finished T9.

Els' record is now 11-13.

Match No. 19 - Steve Stricker (No. 14) defeated Henrik Stenson (No. 51), 5 and 4

Steve Stricker, winner of the 2001 Accenture Match Play Championship, won two holes on Wednesday before play was halted, then won the third hole when the match resumed Thursday. He made bogey on No. 4, which turned out to be the only hole he lost in the match.

Henrik Stenson, who won this event in 2007, made just one birdie over the 14 holes.

Stricker's record improves to 13-9; Stenson's falls to 12-6. Including this week, Stenson has lost in the first round four consecutive times (2009, 2010, 2011, 2013).

Match No. 20 - Nick Watney (No. 19) defeated David Toms (No. 46), 5 and 4

David Toms, who is second only to Tiger Woods for most career Accenture Match Play Championship matches played (35 to Woods' 43), was handed his worst defeat, 5 and 4, by Nick Watney. Of Toms' 10 previous losses, his worst was a 4-and-3 loss to Tom Lehman in 2006, in the third round. Toms has lost in the first round only once before (2010, to Sergio Garcia).

Toms recorded six bogeys and no birdies, never winning a hole.

Watney defeated the 2005 Accenture Match Play Championship winner to improve his record to 7-3. In three previous appearances (2010-2012), Watney has advanced to the third round each time.

Match No. 21 – Alexander Noren (No. 49) defeated Dustin Johnson (No. 16), 6 and 4

Alexander Noren's only other Accenture Match Play Championship appearance was in 2010, when he lost to Geoff Ogilvy, 7 and 5. He was on the other side of the coin on Thursday, handing Dustin Johnson his worst defeat in five career losses (previous worst was 4 and 3, in R1 of 2010 and R3 of 2012).

Johnson's record falls to 2-5. He has only advanced past the first round once in five career Accenture Match Play Championship appearances.

Noren made four consecutive birdies on holes No. 10-13.

Match No. 22 – Graeme McDowell (No. 17) defeated Padraig Harrington (No. 48), 2 up

Graeme McDowell improved his Accenture Match Play Championship record to 4-6, advancing past the first round for only the third time in seven starts. His best finish is a T9 in 2011. McDowell bounced back from an opening bogey that put him 1 down through one hole, making birdie on No. 2 and then winning five, six and 10 with pars to get to 3 up.

Harrington got back in the match, however, when McDowell made bogey on Nos. 12 and 14; but Harrington's own bogey on No. 16 gave McDowell the lead back. The Irishman conceded the 18th hole and the match when his drive and approach shot found the desert waste area to the right of the fairway and in front of the green, respectively.

Match No. 23 - Webb Simpson (No. 15) defeated David Lynn (No. 50), 5 and 4

Webb Simpson birdied two of his first four holes and never trailed in defeating England's David Lynn, who was making his first Accenture Match Play Championship start. Simpson only lost one hole (No. 12) in the first round and advances to the second round for the first time (lost to Matteo Manassero last year in round one, his first start).

Match No. 24 - Peter Hanson (No. 18) defeated Thomas Bjorn (No. 47), 3 and 2

Peter Hanson, who made it to the quarterfinals of last year's Accenture Match Play Championship, was 2 down through nine holes before reeling off four birdies over the next six holes to turn the tide and get to 3 up. A par on No. 16 closed out his match, 3 and 2. Thomas Bjorn made two bogeys and no birdies in the match.

Hanson's record improves to 5-6, while Bjorn's falls to 5-9.

Match No. 25 - Louis Oosthuizen (No. 4) defeated Richie Ramsay (No. 61), 2 and 1

Louis Oosthuizen trailed for most of the day, getting as far a 2 down through 11 holes before winning four straight (Nos.12-15) to take control.

Oosthuizen has a habit of close matches. In five career matches, three have finished on No. 17 and two on No. 18. His record stands at 2-3.

Oosthuizen admitted that yesterday during his first-round match was the first time he had ever seen snow.

Match No. 26 – Robert Garrigus (No. 36) defeated Branden Grace (No. 29), 4 and 3

In another match up of Accenture Match Play Championship first-timers, Robert Garrigus ran away with his match, posting birdies on Nos. 1, 3, 5, 6, 8 and 13. The one blemish on his scorecard was a double-bogey on No. 10, one of three holes he lost in round one.

Match No. 27 - Luke Donald (No. 3) defeated Marcel Siem (No. 62), 1 up

First-time participant Marcel Siem pushed Luke Donald, the 2011 champion, to the 18th hole, but lost the match when Donald holed a 6-foot-9-inch birdie putt to take the 1 up victory. Siem had his own birdie putt of 13 feet, but missed.

When he won in 2011, none of Donald's matches went to the 18th hole (He joined Tiger Woods, 2003, as the only players to win the Accenture Match Play Championship without playing the 18th hole.)

Last year, Donald became only the fourth defending champion to be eliminated in the first round (was defeated by Ernie Els, 5 and 4). Ian Poulter (2011), Steve Stricker (2002) and Jeff Maggert (2000) are the other three. Donald's record is now 17-7.

Match No. 28 – Scott Piercy (No. 35) defeated Paul Lawrie (No. 30)

Scott Piercy sent the last of three Scots home after round one with his 4-and-3 win over Paul Lawrie. This is Piercy's first Accenture Match Play Championship appearance, compared to Lawrie's sixth. Lawrie has lost in the first round three previous times, the last in 2003.

Piercy's scorecard included an eagle on No. 2 off-set by a double-bogey on No. 5, and then birdies on No. 9, 12, 13 and 15 against a bogey on No. 14. Lawrie made two bogeys against two birdies and won only two holes in the match.

Match No. 29 - Shane Lowry (No. 64) defeated Rory McIlroy (No. 1), 1 up

Shane Lowry, who played against Rory McIlroy growing up, upset the world No. 1 in the first round by making his move on the back nine. He won the 12th hole with a birdie (chipping in from behind the green) and the 13th hole with an eagle (after his approach landed just 2 feet from the cup). Those two holes moved him to 2 up.

He bogeyed the 14th hole but got that back when McIlroy had to concede No. 15 after finding three different bunkers.

McIlroy had never lost in the first round in five previous Accenture Match Play Championship appearances. Last year, he made it to the finals before Hunter Mahan defeated him, 2 and 1. His record is no 10-5.

The No. 1 overall seed has not advanced beyond the second round of the event since 2008, with the No. 1 seed losing in the first round three times during that time.

McIlroy 2013 campaign is off to a lackluster start. This was his PGA TOUR season debut, and in his one start on the European Tour thus far, he missed the cut at the Abu Dhabi HSBC Golf Championship.

Match No. 30 - Carl Pettersson (33) defeated Rickie Fowler (32), 19 holes

Rickie Fowler never led in his match against Carl Pettersson, but made birdie (from 8 feet, 8 inches) on No. 17 to get to 1 down before darkness forced suspension of the match until Friday morning. Fowler kept that momentum going, hitting his approach on No. 18 to 1-1/2 feet to square the match. But his luck ran out in extra holes. Fowler missed the fairway on No. 10, came up short on his approach and failed to get up and down for par.

Pettersson, who is in the event for the first time since 2007, improves his record to 2-3. He has advanced to the second round only once in his career, in 2005, when he lost to Davis Love III. For Fowler, it's his second consecutive loss in the first round; his record is now 2-3.

Match No. 31 - Charles Howell (No. 63) defeated Tiger Woods (No. 2), 2 and 1

Charles Howell III upset Tiger Woods, the No. 1 seed in the Gary Player bracket, 2 and 1 in the first round. In 12 previous appearances, Woods had only lost in the first round twice; however, Woods has not advanced beyond the second round since his win in 2008.

The Howelll-Woods match was the only one in the first round in which neither player made a bogey. Howell posted four birdies to Woods' two. Howell clinched the match in the waning light with an approach shot to 6 inches on No. 15 to go 1 up, and a 23-1/2 foot birdie putt on No. 16 to go 2 up.

Woods' record is now 33-10. Howell's stands at 5-7. This is Howell's first appearance in the Accenture Match Play Championship since 2008. His best finish is a T9 in 2007.

Match 32 - Gonzalo Fdez-Castano (31) defeated Francesco Molinari (34), 2 up

Gonzalo Fdez-Castano and Francesco Molinari were all square when their match was halted due to darkness on Thursday. The two returned to No. 16 on Friday morning and Molinari made bogey to go 1 down in the match; the two halved No. 17 with pars and then Molinari bogeyed again on No. 18 to bow out of round one for the third time in four career Accenture Match Play Championship appearances (1-4 record).

Fdez-Castano made just two birdies in the match, but managed pars against Molinari's four bogeys to advance to round two for the first time in his career. He has one previous Accenture Match Play Championship start; last year he lost to Tiger Woods, 1 down, in round one.

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