



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

Second-Round Notes – Friday, February 22, 2013

Weather/Schedule

Sunny and cool; temperatures warming into the low 50s by the afternoon; winds NNW 5-10 mph.

The schedule for the remainder of the week is currently as follows:

Saturday: Round 3 and quarterfinals

Sunday: Semi-finals, Consolation and Championship Matches

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 second round:

International players: 9

U.S. players: 7

Countries represented: 10

Largest international contingent: 9 countries with 1

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

United States (21)

Matt Kuchar

Scott Piercy

Hunter Mahan

Robert Garrigus

Bubba Watson

Steve Stricker

Webb Simpson

Rickie Fowler-(R1)

Tiger Woods-(R1)

Jason Dufner-(R1)

Keegan Bradley-(R1)

Dustin Johnson-(R1)

Zach Johnson-(R1)

Bill Haas-(R1)

Ryan Moore-(R1)

David Toms-(R1)

Bo Van Pelt (R2)

Russell Henley (R2)

Charles Howell III (R2)

Jim Furyk (R2)

Nick Watney (R2)

South Africa (7)

Tim Clark

Charl Schwartzel-(R1)

Ernie Els-(R1)

Branden Grace-(R1)

George Coetzee-(R1)

Richard Sterne (R2)

Louis Oosthuizen (R2)

England (6)

Ian Poulter

Lee Westwood-(R1)

David Lynn-(R1)

Chris Wood-(R1)

Justin Rose-(R2)

Luke Donald-(R2)

Sweden (5)

Fredrick Jacobson

Henrik Stenson-(R1)

Carl Pettersson (R2)

Peter Hanson (R2)

Alexander Noren (R2)

Australia (4)

Jason Day

Adam Scott-(R1)

John Senden-(R1)

Marcus Fraser (R2)

Scotland (3)

Paul Lawrie

Stephen Gallacher

Richie Ramsay

Spain (3)

Gonzalo Fdez-Castano

Sergio Garcia-(R2)

Rafael Cabrera Belle (R2)

Germany (2)

Martin Kaymer

Marce Siem-(R1)

Denmark (2)

Thorbjorn Olesen-(R2)

Thomas Bjorn-(R1)

Ireland (2)

Shane Lowry

Padraig Harrington-(R1)

Italy (2)

Francesco Molinari-(R1)

Matteo Manassero-(R1)

Northern Ireland (2)

Graeme McDowell

Rory McIlroy-(R1)

Belgium (1)

Nicolas Colsaerts

Japan (1)

Hiroyuki Fujita-(R1)

South Korea (1)

K.J. Choi-(R1)

Thailand (1)

Thongchai Jaidee-(R1)

Wales (1)

Jamie Donaldson-(R1)

Matches decided in extra holes:

Four matches were decided in extra holes during the second round (three in round one), tying for the most second-round matches to go extra holes in Accenture Match Play Championship history four (2008).

Match No. 37 – Bubba Watson (USA) defeated Jim Furyk (USA), 22 holes

Match No. 38 – Jason Day (AUS) defeated Russell Henley (USA), 19 holes

Match No. 44 – Steve Stricker (USA) defeated Nick Watney (USA), 21 holes

Match No. 46 – Graeme McDowell (NIR) defeated Alexander Noren (SWE), 20 holes

All-time Accenture Match Play Championship Second-Round Results:

1999 – 7 of 16 matches won by top seed

2000 – 9 of 16 matches won by top seed

2001 – 6 of 16 matches won by top seed

2002 – 5 of 16 matches won by top seed

2003 – 7 of 16 matches won by top seed

2004 – 9 of 16 matches won by top seed

2005 – 9 of 16 matches won by top seed

2006 – 10 of 16 matches won by top seed

2007 – 9 of 16 matches won by top seed

2008 – 8 of 16 matches won by top seed

2009 – 10 of 16 matches won by top seed

2010 – 4 of 16 matches won by top seed

2011 – 9 of 16 matches won by top seed

2012 – 13 of 16 matches won by top seed

2013 – 10 of 16 matches won by top seed

History of upsets (lower seed defeating higher seed)**Year Round 2**

2013 6

2012 3

2011 7

2010 12

2009 6

2008 8

2007 7

2006 6

2005 7

2004 7

2003 9

2002 11

2001 10

2000 7

1999 9

How the number-one seeds fared:

Round One:

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

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

Round Two:

Scott Piercy (No. 35) defeated Luke Donald (No. 3), 7 and 6

Robert Garrigou (No. 36) defeated Louis Oosthuizen (No. 4), 3 and 2

This is the third time in the last five years that the top four seeds failed to make it past the second round:

- In 2009, No. 2 seed Sergio Garcia and Pdraig Harrington (No. 3) suffered first-round defeats to Charl Schwartzel (No. 63) and Pat Perez (No. 62) respectively. No. 1 seed Tiger Woods lost to Tim Clark (No. 32) in the second round. And No. 4-seeded Vijay Singh dropped his second-round match to Luke Donald (No. 36).

- In 2010, top-ranked Steve Stricker was upset by No. 64 Ross McGowan in the opening round. Lee Westwood (No. 2), Jim Furyk (No. 3), and Martin Kaymer (No. 4) all lost in the second round to Nick Watney (No. 31), Charl Schwartzel (No. 35) and Tim Clark (No. 36), respectively.

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 and three survived the second round. 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), second-round results (Henley was the only player competing in his first World Golf Championships event):

Tim Clark (No. 59) defeated Thorbjorn Olesen (No. 38), 3 and 2
Scott Piercy (No. 35) defeated Luke Donald (No. 3), 7 and 6
Robert Garrigus (No. 36) defeated Louis Oosthuizen (No. 4), 3 and 2
Shane Lowry (No. 64) defeated Carl Pettersson (No. 33), 6 and 5
Jason Day (No. 41) defeated Russell Henley (No. 56), 19 holes
Fredrik Jacobson (No. 45) defeated Marcus Fraser (No. 52), 4 and 3

Second-round match highlights

Match No. 33 – Nicolas Colsaerts (No. 37) defeated Justin Rose (No. 5), 4 and 2

Belgium's first-ever PGA TOUR member Nicolas Colsaerts, who played for the victorious European Ryder Cup Team in 2012, defeated Ryder Cup teammate Justin Rose in round two. Rose got 3 down early after three consecutive bogeys on No. 5-7, but rebounded a bit with two birdies and an eagle over the next four holes to cut the deficit to 1 down. But Colsaerts was nearly flawless aside from an opening bogey; he posted a total of six birdies to hand Rose his worst defeat since losing 5 and 4 to Trevor Immelman in the quarterfinals of the 2007 event. That was the last and only time Rose advanced past the second round in eight Accenture Match Play Championship appearances.

Colsaerts has made only two bogeys in his two matches thus far. His record improves to 2-1 (he was bounced out of the first round last year by Lee Westwood), while Rose's drops to 6-8.

Match No. 34 – Matt Kuchar (No. 21) defeated Sergio Garcia (No. 12), 2 and 1

After he won his first-round match on the 16th hole, 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. He put that preparation to good use, closing out his second-round match against Sergio Garcia a birdie on No. 17.

It was a closely contested match between two players who met in a memorable quarterfinal match at the 1998 U.S. Amateur Championship, when Kuchar was reigning US Amateur Champion and Garcia was reigning British Open Champion. That time, it was Garcia who eliminated Kuchar, 2 and 1.

Fifteen years later, it was Kuchar who came out on top, but not without a fight. The two were all square for eight of their 17 holes, with Kuchar holding a 1-up lead on eight holes until winning No. 17, 2 and 1.

Kuchar's record improves to 11-3. Since losing in round two of the 2010 event, his first appearance, Kuchar has finished 3rd (2011) and T9 (2012).

Garcia's Accenture Match Play Championship record drops to 13-12.

Match No. 35 – Tim Clark (No. 59) defeated Thorbjorn Olesen (No. 38), 3 and 2

Plagued by an elbow injury last season, Tim Clark hasn't played in the Accenture Match Play Championship since 2010, but he pulled off a second-consecutive upset on Friday, defeating first-timer Thorbjorn Olesen, 3 and 2. Clark defeated No. 6-seed Adam Scott in round one.

Contrary to his first-round match, in which he never trailed, Olesen was 3 down through 10 holes in round two. He attempted to mount a comeback, making three-consecutive birdies on holes 11-13, but Clark matched two of those birdies (No. 11 and 13) and then added another of his own on No. 14 to maintain his 3 up lead.

Clark's record improves to 5-6. His best finish in seven previous Accenture Match Play Championship appearances is a T9 in 2009 and 2010.

There were seven South Africans in the Accenture Match Play Championship field this week, the most players for any country aside from the United States. Clark, the lowest-ranked of the seven, is the only one left.

Match No. 36 - Ian Poulter (No. 11) defeated Bo Van Pelt (No. 22), 3 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, who won his second World Golf Championships title in November at the HSBC Champions in China, made six birdies and no bogeys in round two to send Bo Van Pelt home.

With his win in China, Poulter became only the second player to record his first two PGA TOUR wins at World Golf Championships events, joining Darren Clarke (2000 Accenture Match Play Championship; 2003 Bridgestone Invitational).

With a win this week, he would join Tiger Woods (16) and Geoff Ogilvy (3) as the only players with more than two World Golf Championships titles. Woods and Ogilvy are also the only other players with more than one Accenture Match Play Championship win (Woods: 2003-04, 2008; Ogilvy: 2006, 2009).

Poulter's record improves to 20-9. Only Tiger Woods (33), David Toms (24) and Stewart Cink (22) have won more matches at the Accenture Match Play Championship.

Poulter is the only English player to advance to the third round, of the six who began the event.

Van Pelt's Accenture Match Play Championship record drops to 2-3; he has never advanced beyond the second round in three appearances in the event.

Match No. 37 – Bubba Watson (No. 8) defeated Jim Furyk (No. 25), 22 holes

Bubba Watson, who owns the best finish in the Accenture Match Play Championship by a left-hander (4th in 2011), defeated Jim Furyk in 22 holes, the longest match of the week thus far. Watson is now 2-0 when taking a match to extra holes (beat JB Holmes in the 2011 quarterfinals, 19 holes). Furyk, conversely, is now 1-3. His most recent loss prior to today came in extra holes, a round-one defeat last year to Dustin Johnson in 20 holes.

Watson was 3 up on Furyk through 10 holes, but Furyk won three of the next four holes to square the match. Watson made birdie on No. 15 to take a 1-up lead, but Furyk made birdie from 5 feet on No. 18, while Watson missed a 5 footer of his own that would have closed out the match. He missed another short putt (5 feet, 7 inches) on No. 1 that would have ended the match.

Both players made birdie on No. 2 (Watson from 6 feet, 2 inches; Furyk from 4 feet, 8 inches) and matched pars on No. 3. The match finally ended on No. 4 when Furyk missed the green with his approach and failed to get up-and-down for par.

Furyk hasn't advanced past the second round since 2009, when he lost to Ross Fisher in round three.

Watson's record improves to 7-3. He is the only player from the top 10 in the Official World Golf Ranking who remains in the field (No. 10).

Furyk never trailed in his first-round match against Ryan Moore; he trailed for 15 of the 18 holes in regulation in round two.

Match No. 38 – Jason Day (No. 41) defeated Russell Henley (No. 56), 19 holes

Jason Day played only 13 holes in his 6-and-5 win over Zach Johnson in round one, but he needed 19 holes to get past PGA TOUR rookie Russell Henley in the second round. Day won the second hole with a birdie, but didn't win another hole until No. 12 to get the match to all square. He won the next two holes (with a par on No. 13 and a birdie on No. 14), but made bogey on 15 and then watched Henley hole a 13-foot-9-inch birdie putt on the 18th to send the match to extra holes.

Day closed things out on No. 1 by sinking an 8-foot birdie after Henley missed from 13 feet.

Day is now 2-0 at the Accenture Match Play Championship when in a match that goes past No. 18 (defeated Rafael Cabrera Bello in round one of the 2012 event, 19 holes). His overall record is now 5-2.

Day is the only Australian to advance to round three (four made the field)

Henley, who was the only player in the field making his first World Golf Championships start, 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. 39 – Martin Kaymer (No. 26) defeated Rafael Cabrera Bello (No. 58), 2 and 1

Last year, Rafael Cabrera Bello defeated Martin Kaymer in round one of the Volvo World Match Play Championship on the European Tour, 3 and 2. In a bit of a rematch today, Kaymer got the better of Cabrera Bello, handing him a 2-and-1 defeat and advancing to the third round for the third consecutive year.

This was Cabrera Bello's first start at the Accenture Match Play Championship. Kaymer, who finished runner-up to Luke Donald in the 2011 Accenture Match Play Championship, improves his record to 11-5. Both of his matches this week have ended at 2 and 1 (defeated George Coetzee in round one).

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. 40 – Hunter Mahan (No. 23) defeated Richard Sterne (No. 55), 4 and 3

Hunter Mahan becomes the first defending champion to advance past the second round since 2007 champion Henrik Stenson in 2008 (Stenson finished third that year). Only Tiger Woods (2003-04) has successfully defended a title at the Accenture Match Play Championship.

Mahan and Sterne faced off in the first round of the 2008 Accenture Match Play Championship, with Mahan also winning that match 4 and 3.

Mahan's record improves to 12-4. He has won 10 of his last 11 matches.

Like Ian Poulter, with a win this week, Mahan would join Tiger Woods (16) and Geoff Ogilvy (3) as the only players with more than two World Golf Championships titles. Woods and Ogilvy are also the only other players with more than one Accenture Match Play Championship win (Woods: 2003-04, 2008; Ogilvy: 2006, 2009).

Richard Sterne, the recent winner of the Joburg Open on the European Tour, hadn't qualified for the Accenture Match Play Championship since 2009. This marks his best finish in three appearances (T17).

Match No. 41 – Robert Garrigus (No. 36) defeated Louis Oosthuizen (No. 4), 3 and

First-time participant Robert Garrigus has needed just 47 putts in the first two rounds. In his match against top seed Louis Oosthuizen on Friday, he had eight birdies, with four birdie putts coming between 7 and 11 feet. He has posted 14 birdies through the first two rounds.

Garrigus won the first two holes and was bogey-free (4-under-par) in the final eight holes and to outpace Oosthuizen.

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).

For Oosthuizen, it was the first time he participated in a match – win or lose – that did not reach the 17th green. In five previous career matches, three finished on No. 17 and two on No. 18.

Oosthuizen's Accenture Match Play Championship record is now 2-4. Like fellow top-seed Luke Donald, who also lost today, both of Oosthuizen's matches this week were against first-time participants (Richie Ramsay in round one).

Match No. 42 – Fredrik Jacobson (No. 45) defeated Marcus Fraser (No. 52), 4 and 3

Fredrik Jacobson spent Thursday night practicing his putting in his hotel room for several hours. That practice paid off as the Swede advanced to the third round for the second time in four career starts, but the first time since 2004. That year, his first appearance, Jacobson met Tiger Woods in round three and lost, 4 and 3.

Jacobson won the first two holes, including a birdie at the par-5 second. He stumbled with a bogey at the fourth, but won the next hole when Marcus Fraser bogeyed. Jacobson went 3 up with a birdie at the par-5 eighth. He bogeyed the 13th but posted consecutive birdies on the final two holes to close out the match.

Fraser did not make any birdies on Friday.

Jacobson is riding a recent hot streak. 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 is the only Swedish player to advance to the third round, of the five who began the event.

Jacobson improves his record to 4-3.

Match No. 43 – Scott Piercy (No. 35) defeated Luke Donald (No. 3), 7 and 6

First-time Accenture Match Play Championship participant Scott Piercy handed Luke Donald a stunning 7-and-6 loss, which ties for the sixth-largest margin of victory in Accenture Match Play Championship history. It is the worst defeat by the top seed in a bracket in the history of this event. The dubious distinction was previously shared by Ernie Els (who lost 6-and-5 in the first round of the 2008 event to Jonathan Byrd) and Phil Mickelson (who lost 6-and-5 in the second round of the 2011 event to Rickie Fowler).

When Donald won in 2011, none of his 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.) Thus far, none of Piercy's matches have gone past No. 15 (he defeated Paul Lawrie in round one, 4 and 3).

Piercy has lost only two holes so far this week (No. 5 and No. 14 in round one). His scorecard today included five birdies and an eagle-two on No. 5, the hole he double-bogeyed in round one). His 228-yard approach shot from the middle of the fairway (4 iron) found the bottom of the cup for eagle.

In round two, Piercy hit 7 of 9 fairways, 11 of 12 greens in regulation and used just 17 putts.

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).

Donald's Accenture Match Play Championship record is now 17-8. Both of his matches this week were against first-time participants (Marcel Siem in round one).

Match No. 44 – Steve Stricker (No. 14) defeated Nick Watney (No. 19), 21 holes

Steve Stricker, winner of the 2001 Accenture Match Play Championship, won the longest match of his career at the event, needing 21 holes to oust Nick Watney. Stricker is now 4-1 when taking a match to extra holes:

- 2001 – QF: defeated Nick O'Hern, 20 holes
- 2008 – R1: defeated Daniel Chopra, 20 holes
- 2008 – R2: defeated Hunter Mahan, 20 holes
- 2010 – R1: lost to Ross McGowan, 19 holes
- 2013 – R2: defeated Nick Watney, 21 holes

In a closely contested match, Stricker never trailed, although he lost five holes to Watney over the course of 18 holes. Stricker got to 2 up at two different points during the round, through four holes and again through 12. Watney made birdies on No. 15 and 17 to get the match to all square.

Both players made par on No. 1, then Stricker missed a 4-footer for birdie on No. 2 that would have ended the match. Watney conceded the next hole – and the match – when his tee shot on the par-3 3rd found the greenside bunker and he missed his 11-foot par putt. Stricker had a 6-footer for birdie.

Stricker's record improves to 14-9.

For Watney, it was his second day meeting a former Accenture Match Play Championship winner. He defeated David Toms (2005) in round one. This is the first time Watney has failed to advance to the third round in four career appearances. His record is now 7-4.

Match No. 45 – Shane Lowry defeated Carl Petterssen (No. 33), 6 and 5

Shane Lowry, who upset world No. 1 Rory McIlroy in the first round, 1 up, needed fewer holes to defeat Sweden's Carl Pettersson in round two. Lowry took a 1-up lead with a birdie on No. 1 and never looked back. He won five more holes, four of those with birdies.

Lowry is the first No. 64 seed to advance to the third round in Accenture Match Play Championship history. In fact, only three of the 14 previous No. 64 seeds made it out of round one (Peter O'Malley, 2002; Ross McGowan, 2010; and Ernie Els, 2012).

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

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

For Petterssen, who played two holes this morning to finish his match with Rickie Fowler, it marked the first time in six career Accenture Match Play Championship matches that – win or lose – his match didn't reach at least the 17th green. Petterssen, who is in the event for the first time since 2007, leaves with a 2-4 record. He has never advanced past the second round.

Match No. 46 – Graeme McDowell (No. 17) defeated Alexander Noren (No. 49), 20 holes

Graeme McDowell and Alexander Noren battled all day, with McDowell losing the first hole, but winning the next two to take a 1 up lead. Noren brought the match back to all square with a birdie on No. 4, and the two remained locked until McDowell took another 1 up lead with a birdie on No. 8.

A double-bogey by McDowell on No. 13 squared the match, but he again quickly recovered, making birdie on the next hole to reclaim his lead. As if on cue, Noren responded with his own birdie to square the match, and both made birdie on No. 18 (McDowell from 4 feet, 2 inches; and Noren from 14 feet, 2 inches).

McDowell made a 7-foot, 2-inch birdie put on the second hole to win, improving his Accenture Match Play Championship record to 5-6 and advancing to the third round for only the second time in seven starts. His best finish is a T9 in 2011.

In all, McDowell won five holes and Noren won four.

Noren's record is now 1-2.

Match No. 47 – Gonzalo Fdez-Castano (No. 31) defeated Charles Howell (No. 63), 6 and 5

A day after pulling off a stunning upset by defeating No. 2-ranked Tiger Woods, Charles Howell III was unable to capitalize on that success, losing the first two holes and never recovering. He made two bogeys and no birdies; meanwhile, Gonzalo Fdez-Castano was bogey-free, posting five birdies, including a 5-footer for birdie on No. 13 to close out the match.

Fdez-Castano has one previous Accenture Match Play Championship start; last year he lost to Tiger Woods, 1 down, in round one.

Fdez-Castano is the only Spanish player to advance to the third round, of the three who began the event.

Howell's Accenture Match Play Championship record now stands at 5-8.

Match No. 48 – Webb Simpson (No. 15) defeated Peter Hanson (No. 18), 1 up

Webb Simpson never trailed in defeating England's David Lynn in round one, but it was a different story in round two, as he never led until making birdie on No. 18 to defeat Peter Hanson, 1 up.

Simpson found himself 1 down after the first hole when he hit his drive into the dessert brush to the right of the fairway and had to take a drop. Simpson won No. 2, but he lost No. 3 and was 1 down once again. He got to as many as 2 down through 10 holes, battling back to all square twice more before his 16-1/2 footer on 18 for the win.

Simpson's record is now 2-1.

Peter Hanson, who made it to the quarterfinals of last year's Accenture Match Play Championship, now holds a 5-7 record in the event.

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