



2015 Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by MasterCard
(The 19th of 43 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

Orlando, FL **March 19-22, 2015**
Bay Hill Club and Lodge

Purse: \$6,200,000
Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,419

Second-Round Notes – Friday, March 20, 2015

Weather: Partly cloudy, with a high of 85 degrees. Winds W 5-10 mph.

36-hole cut: 70 professionals at 2-under 142 from a field of 118 professionals and two amateurs. This marks the first occasion of the Arnold Palmer Invitational featuring an under-par cut. As a par-72, the previous low was even-par 144 (1997, 2000 and 2004).

Second-Round Leaderboard

Position	Name	Score
1	Morgan Hoffmann	66-65—131 (-13)
T2	Matt Every	68-66—134 (-10)
T2	Harris English	68-66—134 (-10)
T2	Henrik Stenson	68-66—134 (-10)

Morgan Hoffman

Following a bogey at the first hole, Jupiter, Fla. resident Morgan Hoffmann reeled off six birdies in his ensuing eight holes to make the turn at 5-under for the day. He would add three more birdies to finish the day with a 7-under 65.

Through 36 holes, Hoffmann is 9-under on Bay Hill's front nine.

Hoffmann's 13-under 131 is his best 36-hole opening score of his PGA TOUR by three strokes. At the 2014 Shriners Hospitals for Children Open, he opened with back-to-back, 5-under 67s.

Hoffmann's previous-best position after 36 holes is T2 at the 2014 AT&T Byron Nelson Championship (finished T16).

After a 67-71 start at Bay Hill last year, Hoffmann was at 6-under 138 through 36 holes.

Through 36 holes, Hoffmann has hit 20 of 28 fairways in regulation (71.4 percent) and 27 of 36 greens (75.0 percent). Hoffmann came into the week ranked 212th in Driving Accuracy (45.74 percent) and 205th in Greens in Regulation (58.02 percent).

In Hoffmann's only other start in the Arnold Palmer Invitational, he finished T35 last year. He began the final round at Bay Hill in 2014 inside the top 10 at T8, before a costly, 6-over 78 Sunday derailed his bid for victory.

Hoffmann is in search of his first career win on TOUR this week in his 68th start. His best finish is solo-third at last year's BMW Championship.

Hoffmann is making his 10th start of the 2014-15 PGA TOUR Season, with a T17 at the World Golf Championships-Cadillac Championship two weeks ago his best showing. He missed last week's cut at the Valspar Championship.

Second-Round Lead Notes

On just three of 18 occasions this season has a first-round leader emerged victorious, most recently being Alex Cejka at the Puerto Rico Open two weeks ago.

Dating to 1979 when the event moved to Bay Hill, the second-round leader has held on for victory 15 times. The last to do so was Tiger Woods in 2012.

In last year's second round of the Arnold Palmer Invitational, Adam Scott extended his three-stroke lead from round one to seven strokes headed into the weekend at 14-under 130.

Matt Every

Defending Arnold Palmer Invitational champion Matt Every reeled off five consecutive birdies on Nos. 4-8 en route to a 6-under 66. At 10-under, Every will begin the third round three strokes back. After 36 holes last year, Every was eight strokes back at 5-under 139.

Through 36 holes, Every is 4-under on the six par threes and five under on the six par fives.

Coming into the week, Every was ranked 210th in Greens in Regulation, hitting just 56.1 percent. Through 36 holes this week, he has hit 29 of 36 (80.6 percent).

Every is making his sixth consecutive start at the Arnold Palmer Invitational. Prior to last year's win, his best Bay Hill performance was a T24 in 2012. His only missed cut came in 2011.

Every is making his 118th career start on the PGA TOUR this week and 10th of the season. He remains in search of his first top-20 finish since claiming a share of third place at the 2014 FedEx St. Jude Classic.

Harris English

Following birdies on his first three holes in round two, Nos. 10-12, Harris English posted additional birdies on Nos. 16, 4 and 6, good for a bogey-free, 6-under 66.

English is making his fourth-consecutive start in the Arnold Palmer Invitational, with last year's T14 finish his best among the previous three.

English is making his 12th start of the 2014-15 PGA TOUR Season this week, where he has already collected three top-10 finishes. He finished T3 at the Sony Open in Hawaii, lost in a playoff to Jason Day at the Farmers Insurance Open and is coming off a T10 at last week's Valspar Championship.

English is in search of his third career win this week in his 93rd start on TOUR. He previously won the 2013 FedEx St. Jude Classic and 2013 OHL Classic at Mayakoba.

Henrik Stenson

Following a bogey at his first hole of the day, Henrik Stenson birdied his last four, Nos. 15-18, to get to 10-under and within three strokes of Morgan Hoffmann's lead.

In round one, Stenson needed 30 putts to complete his round, but took just 23 strokes with the putter in round two. With a cumulative average of 3.36, Stenson ranks second in Strokes Gained Putting.

Stenson is making his seventh start in the Arnold Palmer Invitational this week, with his two top-10 finishes coming in his last two starts; T8/2013, T5/2014.

Stenson is making his 131st start of his PGA TOUR career this week and fourth of the season. In his past three starts, he finished T24 at the World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions, T4 WGC-Cadillac Championship and is coming off fourth-place honors at last week's Valspar Championship.

Stenson, the winner of the 2013 FedExCup, has collected four titles on the PGA TOUR; 2007 WGC-Cadillac Match Play Championship, 2009 PLAYERS Championship, 2013 Deutsche Bank Championship and 2013 TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola.

Rory McIlroy

In his first start at the Arnold Palmer Invitational, World No. 1 Rory McIlroy birdied five holes in a row (Nos. 2-6) en route to a 6-under 66 in Friday's second round. His lone bogey of the day came at the par-4 eighth, when he wasn't able to convert from the greenside bunker.

At 8-under 136, McIlroy will begin the third round five strokes back. Of his nine career PGA TOUR wins, McIlroy trailed after 36 holes in five of them. His biggest weekend rally came at the 2010 Wells Fargo Championship en route to his first TOUR win. At the Quail Hollow Club, McIlroy came from seven strokes back after 36 holes to win by four over Phil Mickelson.

Statistically, McIlroy went South in round two, hitting eight of 14 fairways in regulation (57.1 percent) and 13 greens (72.2 percent). In round one, McIlroy found 10 of 14 fairways (71.4 percent) and 17 of 18 greens (94.4

percent). McIlroy made up for wayward shots on the greens. In round one, McIlroy took 34 putts, but needed just 24 in round two.

McIlroy is in search of his 10th PGA TOUR title and first since the 2014 PGA Championship. McIlroy's first win on TOUR, the 2010 Wells Fargo Championship, came in his first start in Charlotte.

Miscellaneous Notes

Sam Saunders, grandson of tournament host Arnold Palmer, is at 3-under 141 through 36 holes (70-71) and will play on the weekend for the fourth time in six starts in the event.

This marks the first occasion of Saunders playing when not on an unrestricted sponsor exemption. His sponsor exemption this week came via the Web.com Tour Finals.

Saunders earned his way onto the PGA TOUR this season by virtue of his 13th-place finish on last year's Web.com Tour priority list.

Saunders is coming off his career-best finish on the PGA TOUR two weeks ago, when he lost in a playoff at the Puerto Rico Open to Alex Cejka.

Past Arnold Palmer Invitational champions in the field: Matt Every/2014 (-10/T2), Martin Laird/2011 (-4/T29), Ernie Els/1998, 2010 (-6/T16), Vijay Singh/2007 (-3/T40), Rod Pampling/2006 (MC), Chad Campbell/2004 (MC) and Tim Herron/1999 (MC).

Dr. Phillips Charities will again contribute \$5,000 to Orlando Health for every eagle made during the tournament through the "Eagles for Arnie Program." Through 36 holes, 30 eagles have been made.

The hardest hole in round two was the par-4 15th hole, with a scoring average of 4.225. The easiest was the par-5 16th, with a 4.308 average.

Bogey-free rounds:

R1 – Morgan Hoffmann (66), John Peterson (67), Ian Poulter (67), Henrik Stenson (68), Keegan Bradley (68), Martin Laird (68), Hunter Mahan (68), George McNeill (69), Francesco Molinari (70) and David Lingmerth (70).
R2 – Danny Lee (64), Blayne Barber (65), Matt Jones (65), Harris English (66), Ben Martin (67), Chesson Hadley (68) and Daniel Summerhays (69).

Scoring Averages:

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
R1	36.067	35.375	71.441	---
R2	35.858	35.108	70.967	71.204