



## 2015 AT&T Byron Nelson

(The 29<sup>th</sup> of 43 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

Las Colinas, Texas  
TPC Four Seasons Resort

May 25-31, 2015  
Par/Yardage: 35-35—70/7,166

FedExCup Points: 500 to the winner  
Purse: \$7,100,000 (\$1,278,000)

### Completed Second-Round Notes – Saturday, May 30, 2015

**Weather:** Partly cloudy. High of 82. Winds SSE 10-15 mph, gusting to 20 mph.

**Cut:** 87 players at 1-under 138 from a field of 155 professionals and one amateur. Since more than 78 players made the 36-hole cut there will be an additional cut made after the conclusion of the third round.

The beginning of the second round was delayed for three hours, from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., due to heavy overnight rain, with the course receiving 4.5" of rain overnight. Play was suspended for the day at 8:40 PM local time and resumed at 10:58 AM.

This marks the 11<sup>th</sup> event of the 2014-15 PGA TOUR Season to experience a delay/suspension. Of the previous 10, five were related to inclement weather (as opposed to darkness). The last event to experience a weather delay was the Crowne Plaza Invitational at Colonial.

Due to wet conditions, the first two rounds will feature preferred lies in closely mown areas.

#### **Completed Second-Round Leaderboard**

Jon Curran	67-63—130 (-9)
Jimmy Walker	64-66—130 (-9)
Steve Bowditch	62-68—130 (-9)
Cameron Percy	67-64—131 (-8)
Ryan Palmer	65-66—131 (-8)
Tony Finau	67-64—131 (-8)
Joe Affrunti	68-63—131 (-8)

#### **Jon Curran**

PGA TOUR rookie Jon Curran is making his 24<sup>th</sup> start on the PGA TOUR this week at the AT&T Byron Nelson. Friday's 63 marks the first time Curran will take a share of the lead into the third round of a TOUR event.

Curran's 63 on Friday is the lowest score he's posted since a 64 in the second round of the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am.

Curran's second round in detail: 9 of 13 fairways, 14 of 18 greens in regulation, 1 of 2 sand saves, 25 putts.

At the Puerto Rico Open, earlier this season, Curran came to the 72<sup>nd</sup> hole needing a par to secure his first PGA TOUR victory. He made bogey at the last and found himself in a five-man playoff that was won by Alex Cejka. The T2 performance is a career-best and the first of three top-10s for Curran on TOUR this season.

In 2014, on the Web.com Tour, Curran led wire-to-wire at the Brasil Champions presented by HSBC and picked up his first career Tour win, which helped earn him a PGA TOUR card for 2014-15.

This is Curran's first appearance at TPC Four Seasons Resort; his third-round scoring average this season on TOUR is 70.70.

#### **Jimmy Walker**

Jimmy Walker worked his way into a tie for the lead with a second-round 66 that included four birdies on his back nine.

The five-time PGA TOUR winner and Texan has led/co-led five times in his career on TOUR coming into this week and has gone on to win twice. (2014 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, 2015 Valero Texas Open)

Walker's third-round scoring average this year on TOUR is 69.25. His scoring average in the third round at the AT&T Byron Nelson is 70.43.

Walker, No. 2 in the FedExCup standings, has wins this season at the Sony Open in Hawaii and Valero Texas Open.

### **Steven Bowditch**

Australian Steven Bowditch finds himself in a share for the lead after a second-round 68. The 31-year-old rattled of three birdies in a row coming down the stretch to get back on top of the leaderboard.

Since his runner-up finish at the season-opening Fry.com Open, Bowditch has failed to post a top-10 performance. The Flower Mound, Texas resident's next-best showing, a T12, came at the Zurich Classic of New Orleans.

Dating to 2000, there have been eight international-born winners of the championship (2000-Jesper Parnevik, 2002-Shigeki Maruyama, 2003-Vijay Singh, 2004-Sergio Garcia, 2008-Adam Scott, 2009-Rory Sabbatini, 2010-Jason Day, 2013-Sang-Moon Bae).

### **Second-Round Leader Stats**

The last 36-hole leader/co-leader to go on to win the AT&T Byron Nelson was Brendon Todd (2014).

The low first 36-hole score at the event is 128, set by Lee Rinker (1997), Tiger Woods (1997, 1999) and Steve Pate (1999).

The second-round leader/co-leader has won five of 27 stroke-play events this season, most recently Jordan Spieth at the Masters Tournament.

### **Cameron Percy**

After three consecutive missed cuts, Australian Cameron Percy finds himself one back of the early second-round lead after a 5-under-par 64 on Friday afternoon.

Last August Percy birdied the final hole of regulation at the Price Cutter Charity Championship presented by Dr. Pepper to earn his first Web.com Tour victory.

Percy has collected five International victories, most recently in 2006 at the Queensland PGA Championship and Queensland Masters.

### **Nick Watney**

This week marks Nick Watney's sixth start at the AT&T Byron Nelson and first since 2011. Watney carded a bogey-free 65 in Friday's second round. The 4-under-par round is Watney's lowest score at TPC Four Seasons Resort since a 64 in the second round in 2006.

Earlier this season Watney carded a final-round 69 and finished runner-up at the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am.

Watney's last win on TOUR came at The Barclays in 2012 where he finished three strokes ahead of Brandt Snedeker.

### **Jordan Spieth**

Dallas native Jordan Spieth fired a 64 in the second round of the AT&T Byron Nelson. The 5-under-par round is Spieth's lowest score at TPC Four Seasons Resort.

Spieth made his PGA TOUR debut at the 2010 AT&T Byron Nelson at the age of 16, finishing T16. The 21-year-old has successfully made the cut five times in a row at the AT&T Byron Nelson. His third round scoring average at TPC Four Seasons is 71.25.

With wins at the Valspar Championship and Masters Tournament this year, Spieth became the third different player since 1940 to win three times on TOUR before reaching the age of 22 (Tiger Woods, Sergio Garcia).

So far this season Spieth has eight top-10 finishes in 14 starts. In addition to previously-mentioned wins, he has runner-up finishes this year at all three of the Texas events (Valero Texas Open, Shell Houston Open and Crowne Plaza Invitational at Colonial).

With eight runner-ups and three victories, Spieth has the most first- and second-place finishes by a TOUR player before the age of 22 since 1970. Here's the list: Spieth (11), Tiger Woods (7), Sergio Garcia (6), Bobby Clampett (5), Rickie Fowler (3).

### **Jonathan Randolph**

Jonathan Randolph's 63 in the second round of the AT&T Byron Nelson is his best round on TOUR this season.

Randolph's round in detail: 9 of 13 fairways, 14 of 18 greens, 26 putts.

Through 15 events this season, Randolph has made six cuts. His best finish came at the Wells Fargo Championship (T20) in his last start on TOUR.

This weekend Randolph will look to become the seventh first-timer winner this season.

### **Ryan Palmer**

Dallas resident Ryan Palmer pulled within a shot of the lead after a 66 in the second round. Starting at no. 16, Palmer went birdie-par-par as the light dwindled in the evening.

Palmer is making his 12<sup>th</sup> consecutive start at the AT&T Byron Nelson, dating to 2004. He missed the cut in six of his first seven starts (T73-2006) and has since finished runner-up (2011), T9 (2012), T33 (2013) and T22 (2014).

### **Additional Player Notes**

Defending champion Brendon Todd's title defense ended on Saturday morning. After an opening-round 72, Todd rebounded with a 68 on Friday afternoon but his 1-over-par 36-hole total falls two shots shy of making the cut.

11-time PGA TOUR winner Zach Johnson opened with a 1-under 69 and followed that up with a 5-under 64. Johnson trails by four strokes heading into the third round.

Seven past AT&T Byron Nelson winners are competing this week: Keegan Bradley (66-70—144), Rory Sabbatini (69-64—133), Vijay Singh (70-67—137), Jason Dufner (71-65—136), Scott Verplank (71-70—141), Brendon Todd (72-68—140), Sangmoon Bae (74-69—143).

### **14<sup>th</sup> Hole**

Due to heavy overnight rain and an unplayable fairway, PGA TOUR Rules Officials made the decision to play the par-4 14<sup>th</sup> hole (scorecard yardage of 406 yards) as a 104-yard par-3 for the second round.

In the second round the par-3, 14<sup>th</sup>, yielded one eagle, 48 birdies and played to a scoring average of 2.73.

### **Gary Woodland**

Gary Woodland aced the par-3 14<sup>th</sup> hole Friday with a wedge from 104 yards. As the Official Mortgage Sponsor of the PGA TOUR, Quicken Loans will award one year's worth of mortgage payments to Shamod H. of Honolulu, Hawaii to commemorate the ace. The Quicken Loans' Hole-In-One Sweepstakes awards one year's worth of mortgage payments to a randomly selected entrant for every ace during official PGA TOUR events from the Waste Management Phoenix Open through the TOUR Championship by Coca-Cola. Fans can enter the sweepstakes by visiting [www.pgatour.com/quickenloans](http://www.pgatour.com/quickenloans). Participants in the 2014 Sweepstakes must re-register to be eligible in 2015.

The ace for Woodland is his first on the PGA TOUR. It marked the 26<sup>th</sup> ace of the season.

### **Miscellaneous Stats**

Since 1983, there has never been a scorecard par of 69 on the PGA TOUR before the second round of the AT&T Byron Nelson.

Bogey-free rounds:

R1: Steven Bowditch (62), Jon Curran (67), S.J. Park (68), Mark Anderson (68).

R2: Joe Affrunti (63), Matt Jones (63), Nick Watney (65), Oscar Fraustro (65), Blake Adams (66), Bryce Molder (67)

Scoring Averages at the par-70 TPC Four Seasons Resort:

	<b>Front 9</b>	<b>Back 9</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Cumulative</b>
Thursday	35.160	35.359	70.519	---
Friday	34.389	33.388	67.678	

Retief Goosen (neck) and Angel Cabrera (back) withdrew before the start of the second round.

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