



2014 CIMB Classic

(The 4th of 43 events in the 2014-2015 PGA TOUR Season)

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia October 30-November 2, 2014
Kuala Lumpur Golf and Country Club

Purse: \$7,000,000
Par/Yards: 36-36—72/6,967

First-Round Notes –Thursday, October 30, 2014

Weather: Hot and humid weather with temperatures reaching 90 degrees with W winds 5-10 mph (8-16 kph). Play was suspended at 1:17 pm local time due to threatening conditions and then resumed at 3:26 p.m.

Due to wet conditions, preferred lies were used during the first round.

First-Round Leaderboard

Rikard Karlsberg	65 (-7)
Billy Hurley III	67 (-5)
Brian Stuard	67 (-5)
Angelo Que	67 (-5)

8 players tied at 4-under

Rickard Karlberg

Sweden's Rikard Karlberg shot an opening-round bogey-free 7-under-par 65 at the CIMB Classic in Malaysia. He qualified for the PGA TOUR/Asian Tour co-sanctioned CIMB Classic via his 8th-place position on the Asian Tour's Order of Merit. Karlberg played the front nine at 5-under and followed with seven consecutive pars before birdies on his final two holes.

Karlberg is the first Asian Tour player to lead the CIMB Classic following the completion of any round in the event's five-year history. The best finish by an Asian Tour player at the CIMB Classic came last year when Thailand's Kiradech Aphibarnrat finished 3rd, one shot out of the playoff between Gary Woodland and eventual champion Ryan Moore.

Karlberg has played in two previous PGA TOUR events with both starts coming at the U.S. Open (2010, 2013). He missed the cut in both events. The 28-year-old is in the midst of his fourth consecutive season on the Asian Tour where he has two career victories, both coming in 2010 at the SAIL Open in India and the Hero Honda Indian Open.

Billy Hurley III

After missing the cut in his first two events of the 2014-2015 PGA TOUR season, former U.S. Navy Officer Billy Hurley III shot at opening-round 67 (-5) and is two strokes off the pace. Hurley's T2 standings is his best through 18 holes in his 67 career events on the PGA TOUR.

Hurley graduated from the Naval Academy in 2004 as one of the most decorated golfers in school history. He won seven collegiate titles at Navy, was named the 2004 Patriot League Golfer of the Year, garnered 2004 All-America honors and was the recipient of the 2004 Byron Nelson Award which annually honors a graduating senior who excels not only in golf, but also in the classroom and community. He served as a lieutenant aboard a U.S. Navy destroyer from 2007 to 2009 while serving in the Persian Gulf to protect Iraqi oil platforms.

Hurley held the lead entering the final round at the Greenbrier Classic last year before finishing fourth.

Brian Stuard

Brian Stuard finished the opening round of the CIMB Classic at 5-under-par, two strokes off the lead.

Stuard finished a career-high 51st in the FedExCup standings last season. Much of his success from the 2013-2014 season can be attributed to a stellar three-tournament stretch in which he finished 2nd, 6th and 5th at the OHL Classic at Mayakoba, the Sony Open in Hawaii and the Humana Challenge, respectively. His only other top-10 finish of the season came with a T5 at the RBC Heritage.

Angelo Que

Angelo Que, of the Phillipines, is tied for second alongside Billy Hurley III and Brian Stuard. Like Karlberg, Que is in the field due to his standing on the Asian Tour Order of Merit. Que has played twice on the PGA TOUR previously missing the cut at the 2009 U.S. Open and the 2008 Open Championship. The 35-year-old has three career wins on the Asian Tour at the 2004 Carlsberg Masters Vietnam, the 2008 Phillipine Open and the 2010 Worldwide Holdings Selegor Masters in Malaysia.

This is Que's first appearance at the CIMB Classic.

Ryan Moore

Defending champion Ryan Moore finished at 4-under-par after 18 holes. Moore, who defeated Gary Woodland on the first playoff hole to win the CIMB Classic in 2013, is looking to become the first player in tournament history to defend his title.

In 2013, Moore shot a course-record 63 in the opening round.

Moore birdied his final four holes of the day finishing on the front nine.

Kevin Streelman

Kevin Streelman looks to continue a solid start to the 2014-2015 PGA TOUR season after an opening-round 4-under-par 68 put him three shots off the pace. Streelman shot a final-round 65 at the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open in Las Vegas to finish 2nd two weeks ago. It was the two-time PGA TOUR champion's second runner-up finish of his career (2013 PLAYERS Championship).

In winning the 2014 Travelers Championship, Kevin Streelman birdied his last seven holes en route to a second consecutive, 6-under 64. Streelman's seven birdies to finish and win set a new PGA TOUR record, supplanting Mike Souchak's previous record of six straight from the 1956 St. Paul Open.

In his other start this season, Streelman missed the cut last week at the Frys.com Open with rounds of 73-74.

This is Streelman's third time competing at the CIMB Classic having played last year and in 2010.

Miscellaneous stats

In addition to 500 FedExCup points and a two-year PGA TOUR exemption, the CIMB Classic champion receives invitations to the Hyundai Tournament of Champions, a winners-only event in January, along with two major championships (Masters Tournament and PGA Championship) and THE PLAYERS. The player would also earn exemptions into six additional invitational events and a two-year exemption on the PGA TOUR.

Davis Love III shot a 4-under-par 68 without ever having a chance to see the entire course for practice. Love, who arrived on Tuesday, had his pro-am cut short by weather and wasn't able to play all 18 holes. The 50-year-old, 20-time PGA TOUR winner is looking for his first PGA TOUR win since the 2008 Children's Miracle Network Classic at Walt Disney World Resort.

Bogey-free rounds:

R1 – Rikard Karlberg, Billy Hurley III, Will Mackenzie,

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