



## 2014 Hero World Challenge

Isleworth Golf & Country Club  
Windermere, Florida

December 4-7, 2014  
Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,354

Purse: \$3,500,000

### Partial Second-Round Notes – Friday, December 5, 2014

*Weather: Cloudy with afternoon heavy rain showers. Winds ENE 8-15 mph. High of 78.*

*Play was suspended due to heavy rains at 2:54 p.m. and resumed at 4:16 p.m. Play was suspended due to darkness at 5:44 p.m. Two players failed to complete their round, including Steve Stricker (in the next-to-last group) and tournament-leader Jordan Spieth (in the final group). Those players will be back in position at 10:15 a.m. Saturday, with the third round beginning at 11:15 a.m.*

#### Second-Round Leaderboard

Jordan Spieth	66- (currently 11-under thru 17 holes)
Henrik Stenson	67-68—135 (-9)
Patrick Reed	73-63—136 (-8)
Justin Rose	72-64—136 (-8)

#### Jordan Spieth

First-round leader and last week's Australian Open champion Jordan Spieth, at 11-under through 17 holes, holds the lead at the darkness-delayed Hero World Challenge by two strokes over Henrik Stenson (68).

Spieth struggled in his inaugural start at the 2013 Hero World Challenge, with rounds of 77-72-77-71 leading to a T16 finish among the 18-player field.

In his only start of the 2014-15 PGA TOUR season, Spieth posted rounds of 70-74-72-74 to finish T35 at the World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions.

Spieth is coming off of a 15<sup>th</sup> place finish in the 2013-14 FedExCup, with runner-up finishes at the Hyundai Tournament of Champions and Masters Tournament the best of his eight top-10 finishes.

#### Second-Round Leader Results at the Hero World Challenge

In 2013, Tiger Woods (at 11-under) held a two-stroke advantage following 36 holes over eventual champion Zach Johnson.

In the 15 previous playings of the Hero World Challenge, the second-round leader/co-leader has gone on to win six times. Woods carried the second-round lead/co-lead to victory in 2004, 2006, 2007 and 2011, with Tom Lehman doing so in 1999 and Graeme McDowell in 2012).

The largest second-round lead at the Hero World Challenge is four strokes, posted by Tiger Woods in 2007 and 2010.

#### Henrik Stenson

Following a first-round 5-under 67, 2013 FedExCup champion Henrik Stenson added a 4-under 68 Friday and holds the clubhouse lead at 9-under 135 at the midway point of the Hero World Challenge.

Stenson is making his third start at the Hero World Challenge, finishing fourth in 2006 and T5 in 2007. His previous-best round at the World Challenge was a third-round 65 in 2007.

In his only start of the 2014-15 PGA TOUR season, Stenson finished T24 at the World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions.

#### Patrick Reed

The round of the day was turned in by Patrick Reed, with a 9-under 63. Playing with tournament host Tiger Woods, Reed improved by 10 shots from an opening-round 1-over 73.

Reed's best score on the PGA TOUR is 63, set on five previous occasions and most recently during the first three rounds en route to winning the 2014 Humana Challenge (63-63-63-71).

By comparison, the low round at the Hero World Challenge is 62, set by Tiger Woods in the second round in 2007 and 2013.

Reed, making his first start at the Hero World Challenge, posted a front-nine 7-under 29.

### **Tiger Woods**

Making his return to competitive golf for the first time since a missed cut at the PGA Championship one week after withdrawing from the World Golf Championships-Bridgestone Invitational, Hero World Challenge host Tiger Woods sits in 18<sup>th</sup> place after rounds of 77-70.

Woods 2-under 70 Friday included a double-bogey on the final hole at Isleworth.

Woods, the winner of 79 career PGA TOUR titles including 14 major championships, is playing in the Hero World Challenge for the 14<sup>th</sup> time. He has five victories (2001, 2004, 2006, 2007, 2011) and five runner-up finishes (2000, 2002, 2003, 2010 and 2013) in the event.

Woods was limited to just seven official events in 2013-14 with his best finish being T25 at the World Golf Championships-Cadillac Championship. He took nearly four months off from the World Golf Championships-Cadillac Championship until the Quicken Loans National after having back surgery in late March. Dr. Charles Rich performed the microdiscectomy surgery in Park City, Utah.

### **Miscellaneous Notes**

Three past Hero World Challenge champions are in the field: defending champion Zach Johnson (T8), 2010 and 2012 champion Graeme McDowell (T14) and five-time champion/tournament host Tiger Woods (18).

Four players, who accounted for nine wins on TOUR last season, are making their first World Challenge start: Patrick Reed (T3), Jimmy Walker (T5), Chris Kirk (T8) and FedExCup champ Billy Horschel (17).