



GENESIS OPEN

2017 Genesis Open

(14th of 43 events in the PGA TOUR Season)

**Pacific Palisades, CA
Riviera Country Club**

February 16-19, 2017

Purse: \$7,000,000 (\$1,260,000)

Par/Yards: 35-36—71/7,322

FINAL Second-Round Notes – Saturday, February 18, 2017

Weather: Originally scheduled to begin at 7:00 a.m. PT, the second round resumed at 9:00 a.m., following the successful drainage and clean-up of Riviera Country Club. Round two ended at 3:49 p.m., and round three got underway at 4:10 p.m. A total of 2.97 inches of rain fell from Friday morning to Saturday morning. Preferred lies in closely-mown areas were in effect for rounds two, but not round three.

The Genesis Open is the fifth event this season to have experienced a suspension of play due to weather or darkness.

The Genesis Open is the sixth event this season to utilize preferred lies in at least one round of the tournament.

36-hole cut: 70 professionals and one amateur at even-par 142 from a field of 143 professionals and one amateur.

Last year's Genesis Open 36-hole cut came at 142 (E). The low cut in tournament history is 141 (four times – 2009, 2004, 2000, 1992).

FINAL Second-Round Leaderboard

Dustin Johnson	66-66—132 (-10)
Pat Perez	67-66—133 (-9)
Cameron Tringale	69-64—133 (-9)

Dustin Johnson

With a win at this week's Genesis Open, Dustin Johnson would overtake the No. 1 spot in the Official World Golf Ranking, provided Jason Day finishes worse than a two-way tie for third.

With a win this week, Johnson would join Tiger Woods in being the only players to have won at least once on the PGA TOUR each of their first 10 seasons on TOUR.

Johnson, a 12-time winner on the PGA TOUR, holds the standing record for longest stretch of winning at least one TOUR event per season, with nine.

Following his 5-under 66 in round one, Johnson followed suit with another in round two. Johnson birdied three of his last four holes in round two, Nos. 17 and 18, to get to 10-under 132. He has now birdied Nos. 17 and 18 in both rounds this week.

For the second straight day, Johnson hit eight of 14 fairways in regulation and improved to 15 of 18 greens (13 of 18 in round one).

At 10-under 132, Johnson will take a 36-hole lead/co-lead on the PGA TOUR for the 11th time. Of the previous 10, four have resulted in victory. Most recently, he converted at last season's BMW Championship.

Johnson is making his 10th start in the Genesis Open this week, where he has collected an impressive six top-10 finishes. In only the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am has he collected more top-10 finishes (7).

The Genesis Open is the event in which Johnson has had the most top-10 finishes in without a win. He has had four top-10 finishes in seven starts at the AT&T Byron Nelson and PGA Championship each trail

Johnson's top-10 finishes at the Genesis Open: 4th/2016, P2/2015, 2nd/2014, T4/2012, T3/2010, T10/2009.

Second-Round Lead Notes

Last year, with rounds of 68-64—132 (-10), Jason Kokrak held a one-stroke lead over Chez Reavie through 36-holes at the Genesis Open. Eventual winner Bubba Watson was two strokes back at 8-under 134.

The last 36-hole leader to win the Genesis Open was Phil Mickelson in 2008.

The last time the 36-hole leader of the Genesis Open had more than a single-stroke lead was in 2011, when Fred Couples led by two over four players at 8-under 134.

Eight of 13 second-round leaders/co-leaders have gone on to win this season, most recently Jordan Spieth at last week's AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am.

The Genesis Open 36-hole scoring record is 130 shared by Davis Love (1992), Mike Weir (2004) and Shigeki Matsuyama (2004).

Pat Perez

With his 67-66—133 (-9) start this week, Pat Perez is angling to become the season's third multiple winner, joining Justin Thomas and Hideki Matsuyama. Perez won the OHL Classic at Mayakoba in November.

En route to the 66 in round two, Perez holed a flop shot from the deep rough around the 17th green for a birdie three. He then sank a nine-foot putt for birdie at 18 for the birdie-birdie finish.

Perez had 11 one-putts en route to a total of 22 for the round.

Perez is making his 16th consecutive start in the Genesis Open this week, with his only top-10 finish being a solo-eighth in 2007. He missed last year's cut.

Prior to his win at the OHL Classic at Mayakoba, Perez won the 2009 CareerBuilder Challenge.

Cameron Tringale

In search of his first career PGA TOUR win in his 199th PGA TOUR start, Mission Viejo, Calif. native Cameron Tringale reeled off seven birdies and no bogeys, good for a 64, moving him to 9-under 133 and one back of Dustin Johnson.

Tringale holed his third shot on the par-4 18th hole to close with the 66.

Tringale has finished second on the PGA TOUR three times; 2014 THE NORTHERN TRUST, 2015 Zurich Classic of New Orleans and 2015 Shriners Hospitals for Children Open.

Since joining the PGA TOUR in 2010, Tringale is making his seventh start in the Genesis Open, with a T12 in 2014 his best showing.

Patrick Rodgers

Former Stanford University Cardinal Patrick Rodgers birdied his last two holes in round two, Nos. 17 and 18, to post a 4-under 67 and get to 7-under 135 through 36 holes.

His best 36-hole position before this week on the PGA TOUR was T3 at the 2015 Wells Fargo Championship. His T2 finish at Quail Hollow that year remains his career-best showing in 60 TOUR starts as a professional.

On the strength of three top-10 finishes last season, including a T3 at the Travelers Championship, Rodgers finished 74th in the 2015-16 FedExCup standings. Last season marked his first full season on the PGA TOUR.

In his only other start at the Genesis Open, Rodgers missed the cut last year, following rounds of 77-69—146 (+4).

Jhonattan Vegas

When round two resumed at 9:00 a.m. PT Saturday, Jhonattan Vegas had four holes remaining. His 4-under 67 in round two moved him to 7-under 135.

Vegas is making his fifth start at the Genesis Open, with his best finish (T12) coming in his inaugural start in 2011. Most recently, he finished 75th in 2015 with rounds of 71-72-81-76.

Vegas is coming off of a career-best 29th place finish in the FedExCup, thanks to his win at the 2016 RBC Canadian Open. After missing the cut in the 2016-17 season opener at the Safeway Open, Vegas has reeled off six made cuts

entering this week and stands 72nd in the FedExCup. He finished T10 at the OHL Classic at Mayakoba for his best outing of the year.

With a win at this week's Genesis Open, Vegas would become just the 12th different international winner of the event and first since Aaron Baddeley in 2011:

Bobby Cruickshank, 1927- Scotland
MacDonald Smith, 1928-29, 1932, 1932 - Scotland
Jimmy Thomson, 1938 - Scotland
TC Chen, 1987 - Taiwan
Nick Faldo, 1997 - England
Ernie Els, 1999 - South Africa
Robert Allenby, 2001 - Australia
Mike Weir, 2003-04 - Canada
Adam Scott, 2005 - Australia
Rory Sabbatini, 2006 - South Africa
Aaron Baddeley, 2011 – Australia

Sahith Theegala

Pepperdine University amateur golfer from Chino Hills, Calif., Sahith Theegala, 19, struggled in round two, which took portions of Friday and Saturday to complete. He followed a 4-under 67 in round one with a 2-over 73 in round two. At 2-under 140, he will begin the third round eight strokes off the lead.

Theegala won the Collegiate Showcase at Riviera on Monday of tournament week to earn a spot into this week's field. He shot a 2-under 69 to beat UCLA's Tyler Collier by one stroke. The sophomore has a team-best 70.78 scoring average after six events this season. Last summer, he made it to the quarterfinals of the U.S. Amateur at Oakland Hills. This is the third year of the Collegiate Showcase. Last year, Illinois' Charlie Danielson won, eventually finishing T72 in the Genesis Open. This week's Genesis Open is Theegala's PGA TOUR debut.

Additional Notes

Sam Saunders, who led by two strokes after round one at 7-under 64, struggled in round two to a 6-over 77. At 1-under 141, he finds himself nine shots back.

World No. 1 Jason Day opened with back-to-back, 1-under 70s and is eight strokes back through 36 holes at 2-under 140.

Last week's AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am winner Jordan Spieth has opened with scores of 69-68—137 (-5). He will begin round three five strokes back.

2014 and 2016 Genesis Open champion Bubba Watson withdrew during round two, as did Jinho Choi, Shane Lowry, Steve Marino, Bryson DeChambeau and Vaughn Taylor.

Bogey-free rounds:

R1: Sam Saunders (64), John Huh (66), Daniel Summerhays (66), Branden Grace (67), Adam Hadwin (68), Adam Scott (68), Wesley Bryan (69) and Shawn Stefani (69).

R2: Cameron Tringale (64), Dustin Johnson (66), Kyle Stanley (66) and Charley Hoffman (68).

Scoring Averages:

	Front 9	Back 9	Total	Cumulative
R1:	34.993	36.000	70.993	----
R2:	35.261	36.355	71.66	71.304

Morning/Afternoon Breakdown:

	Morning	Afternoon
R1:	70.56	71.43
R2:	72.86	70.47