

## 2018 PNC Father Son Challenge

(A PGA TOUR Challenge Event)

The Ritz-Carlton Golf Club Grande Lakes, Orlando, Florida December 15-16, 2018 Par/Yards: 36-36—72/6,853 Purse: \$1,085,000

## First-Round Notes - Saturday, December 15, 2018

Weather: Mostly cloudy, with occasional showers. High of 69. Wind SW at 8-15 mph.

Format: 36-hole scramble

#### **First-Round Leaderboard**

John/Little John Daly	59 (-13)
David/Carter Toms	60 (-12)
Stewart/Connor Cink	61 (-11)
Jack/GT Nicklaus	61 (-11)
Lee/Connor Janzen	62 (-10)
Davis/Dru Love	62 (-10)
Mark/Shaun O'Meara	63 (-9)
Retief/Leo Goosen	63 (-9)
Jerry/Wesley Pate	63 (-9)
Vijay/Qass Singh	64 (-8)
Nick/Matthew Faldo	64 (-8)
Jim/Mike Furyk	64 (-8)
Tom/David Kite	65 (-7)
Matt/Peter Kuchar	65 (-7)
David/Brady Duval	66 (-6)
Lee/Daniel Trevino	66 (-6)
Darren/Tyrone Clark	67 (-5)
Nick/Greg Price	67 (-5)
Bernhard Langer/Jackie Langer John	68 (-4)
Greg/Greg, Jr. Norman	68 (-4)

## Things to Know

- Team Daly's 59 marks 10<sup>th</sup> time in tournament history (21 events) that a team has broken 60 in opening round, but just the fifth time a sub-60 score has led
- Team Nicklaus' 61 marks their lowest 18-hole score in this event since 1999 (59/R2)
- Stewart Cink (2013) and Jack Nicklaus (1999), both 11-under and two off the lead, seek to join three players with multiple PNC Father Son Challenge victories
- Team Nicklaus (No. 3) and Team Cink (No. 18) recorded the only eagles in the first round
- Field boasts 330 PGA TOUR victories, 56 major championships, 13 PLAYERS Championship wins and 11 World Golf Hall of Fame members
- Lee Trevino made his 21<sup>st</sup> appearance, the only player to play in every edition of the PNC Father Son Challenge

# **First-Round Lead Notes**

14 of 20 First-round leaders/co-leaders at the PNC Father Son Challenge to win, including 10 of last 11 2015 Only year since 2004 the winners did not lead after 18 holes (Lanny/Tucker Wadkins, 2 strokes back)

2 Largest 18-hole lead (six times, most recent; 2015, Vijay/Qass Singh)

57 18-hole scramble record (Ray/Ray Floyd, Jr. /R2/1995; Bob/David Charles/R1/1998)

#### John/Little John Daly (1st/-13)

- Posted 13 birdies, including six-in-a-row to close out a 13-under 59 for a 1-stroke lead over Team Toms
- Birdied every hole on the back nine, except the par-3 12<sup>th</sup>, for a closing nine 28
- Making third appearance at PNC Father Son Challenge after T9 finishes in 2016 and 2017
- 10-under 62 in first round of 2017 was previous best 18-hole score at this event
- Last year's champions, Team Cabrera, also posted 59 to lead after the first round and went on to win
- Highlight on PGA TOUR Champions this year was also in a team event T5 at Bass Pro Shops Legends of Golf

#### David/Carter Toms (2<sup>nd</sup>/-12)

- Recorded six consecutive birdies on holes 3-8 and added six additional birdies on the back nine for 12-under 60
- One of four teams making debut at PNC Father Son Challenge; Jim/Mike Furyk (T10/-8), Matt/Peter Kuchar (T13/-7), Darren/Tyrone Clarke (T17/-5)
- With a win, Team Toms would become the fourth duo to claim the PNC Father Son Challenge in their first appearance, joining Angel/Angel, Jr. Cabrera (2017), Stewart/Connor Cink (2013) and Raymond Floyd/Ray Floyd, Jr. (1995)
- Former PGA Champion finished top-10 in half of his 22 starts on PGA TOUR Champions in 2018, including victory at U.S. Senior Open. Ended the season No. 7 in the Charles Schwab Cup

#### Stewart/Connor Cink (T3/-11)

- Made nine birdies, including four-in-a-row to start their round, plus an eagle at No. 18 for 11-under 61
- Eagle at final hole came when Stewart holed 25-foot putt after Connor had putted first
- Stewart has wife, Lisa as his caddie this week while Connor has brother, Reagan carrying his bag
- Seeking to win the PNC Father Son for a second time after claiming the 2013 title by three strokes (61-61—122)
- Partnered son Reagan in 2015 and 2017 and has never finished out of the top-10 in five previous starts (Won/2013, T8/2014, T9/2015, T2/2016, T6/2017)
- Highlight last season was T2 at Travelers Championship, his best result on TOUR since victory at 2009 The Open Championship, one of six career PGA TOUR titles
- Qualified for the FedExCup Playoffs for the 10<sup>th</sup> time and finished the season No. 73 in the standings

### Jack/GT Nicklaus (T3/-11)

- Carded eagle at No. 3 and four straight birdies (Nos. 5-8) to turn 6-under before five additional birdies on back nine resulted in 11-under 61
- Eagle came when the duo selected Jack's tee shot, GT hit the green and putted first, holing from 18 feet
- 61 marked Team Nicklaus' lowest 18-hole score at PNC Father Son since 1999 (59/R2)
- Jack is making his 17<sup>th</sup> appearance at PNC Father Son Challenge, but second consecutive with grandson GT
- Duo finished 15<sup>th</sup> last year in first appearance together
- Won 1999 edition of the tournament with son, Gary, who is caddying for his son GT this week
- Victory in 1999 is one of five top-5 finishes in this event (3<sup>rd</sup>/1997, 1<sup>st</sup>/1999, T5/2000, 2<sup>nd</sup>/2003, T5/2013)

#### Miscellaneous

- Bernhard Langer, partnering daughter Jackie Langer John, is attempting to become the first to win with a record third different child. All multiple winners of the tournament have done so with more than one child.
- Stewart Cink (2013) and Jack Nicklaus (1999), both T3 at 11-under and two off the lead, seek to join the list of players with multiple PNC Father Son Challenge victories: Raymond Floyd (5) 1995, 1996, 1997, 2000, 2001; Larry Nelson (3) 2004, 2007, 2008; Bernhard Langer (3) 2005, 2006, 2014