



# **PURE Insurance Championship**

Pebble Beach Golf Links & Poppy Hills Golf Course | Pebble Beach, Calif. | September 28-30, 2018

## **Second-Round Notes**

Saturday, September 29, 2018

**Pebble Beach:** Par 72 / 6,877 yards (R2 scoring avg: 73.100) | **Poppy Hills**: Par 71 / 6,898 yards (R2 scoring avg: 72.412) **Weather:** Mostly sunny with a high of 65. Wind 8-15mph from the SW.

	Player	To Par	Scores
1	Ken Tanigawa	-10	67-66133
T2	Gary Hallberg	-8	68-67135
T2	Marco Dawson	-8	67-68135
T2	Tom Gillis	-8	68-67135

#### **Quick Links:**

- PGA TOUR Champions Leaderboard | Pro-Junior Leaderboard | Pro-Amateur Leaderboard
- R3 Tee Times
- PGATOURmedia.com (transcripts and other resources available for download)

#### Ken Tanigawa, 67-66--133 (-10) | Poppy Hills

- Making his PURE Insurance Championship debut, **Ken Tanigawa** carded four birdies and an eagle on No. 18 to finish with a 5-under 66.
- Tanigawa's 10-under 133 is his second-lowest 36-hole score on PGA TOUR Champions (130/ 2018 Boeing Classic).
- Should Tanigawa go on to win, he would be the fifth PGA TOUR Champions player to win their first Champions Tour title this year (**Scott Parel**, 2018 Boeing Classic; **David Toms**, U.S. Senior Open Championship; **Steve Flesch**, Mitsubishi Electric Classic; **Steve Stricker**, Cologuard Classic).
- Tanigawa was a medalist at PGA TOUR Champions Q-School in December 2017 and earned fully-exempt status for this season. The last Q-School graduate to win was Jerry Smith at the 2015 Encompass Championship.
- He held a share of the second round lead at the Boeing Classic, but ultimately finished T3 to post his best PGA TOUR Champions performance.
- The Dublin, OH resident is making 18th PGA TOUR Champions start and is currently ranked No. 33 in Charles Schwab Cup standings.

#### **Second-Round Lead Notes**

- This year, a leader/co-leader headed into the final round has gone on to win eight out of 21 tournaments.
- This year's champions have come out of Sunday's final group 14 times and the second-to-last group eight times.
- The biggest come-from-behind win this year on PGA TOUR Champions is five strokes by Scott Parel at the Boeing Classic.

## Gary Hallberg, 68-67--135 (-8) | Pebble Beach

- **Gary Hallberg** carded a bogey-free 5-under 67 second round with five birdies for an 8-under 135 total. It is his best score shot at Pebble Beach Golf Links in both his PGA TOUR career and on PGA TOUR Champions.
- It is his 11th start at the PURE Insurance Championship. Hallberg has one top 10 finish (T6/2012) and two finishes in the top 25. Last year he finished in 51st place.
- This season, Hallberg has competed in 14 events, with his best finish coming at the Insperity Invitational (T17). He is No. 52 in the Charles Schwab Cup.
- This marks Hallberg's 200th event competed in on PGA TOUR Champions. Hallberg has one victory (2010 Ensure Classic at Rock Barn), two runner-up finishes and 17 top-10s.

## Tom Gillis, 68-67--135 (-8) | Poppy Hills

- Tom Gillis opened with a birdie on No. 1 and added four more, including birdies back-to-back on Nos. 11 and 12 en route to a bogey-free 4-under 68. He moved up the leaderboard four places to sit T2 entering the final round.
- Gillis opened the year with back-to-back T3 finishes at the 3M Championship and the DICK'S Sporting Goods Open.
- A native of Michigan, Gillis turned 50 on July 16 and is making his fifth start this week on PGA TOUR Champions.
- In 188 PGA TOUR appearances, Gillis had two runner-up finishes, and 10 finishes in the top 10. His last appearance on TOUR was at the 2016 Wyndham Championship where he finished T57.

### Marco Dawson, 67-68--135 (-8) | Poppy Hills

- Marco Dawson opened with a birdie on No. 1 and finished with a birdie on No. 18 for a 3-under 68 in his second round at the PURE Insurance Championship.
- Dawson is the only player in the field to stand bogey-free through two rounds.
- Making his fifth start at the PURE Insurance Championship, Dawson's best finish was T14 in his first appearance in 2014.
- This season, Dawson finished T3 at the DICK'S Sporting Goods Open and has 10 top-25 finishes in 19 events played. He is No. 23 in the Charles Schwab Cup.

#### **Other Notes**

- Leading the Pro-Junior division (gross best ball) through 36 holes are the teams of **Gary Hallberg** and 18-year-old Brayden Seguin (The First Tee of East Baton Rouge Parish) and **Duffy Waldorf** and 16-year-old Yena Jang (The First Tee of Greater Sacramento) at 12-under.
- Playing a net best ball with their juniors and pros, the team of John Tracy-Shawn O'Grady (Poppy Hills) lead the Pro-Amateur division at 15-under after two rounds.
- **Kirk Triplett** carded four birdies and a fifth on No. 18 to finish at 3-under 68 at Poppy Hills. His 7-under 136 (T5) is the best 36-hole score he has shot at the PURE Insurance Championship. This is Triplett's seventh appearance at the PURE Insurance Championship. He won back-to-back in 2012, 2013 and finished T6 in 2014.
- Olin Browne opened with birdies on Nos. 1 and 2 and finished with one on No. 18 for a 2-under 69 at Poppy Hills in the second round of his 10th appearance at the PURE Insurance Championship. He is at 7-under 136 (T5) entering the final round T3 for the third time on PGA TOUR Champions.
- **Duffy Waldorf** carded five birdies en route to a 3-under 68 second round in his sixth appearance at the PURE Insurance Championship. He sits T5 with a 7-under 136. His best finish at the event came T9 in his first start in 2013.
- Defending champion **Bernhard Langer** finished with a 4-over 76 at Pebble Beach. He is T29 entering the final round.
- After 36 holes, the low 50 (and ties) professionals, top 23 pro-junior teams and top-10 amateur teams advance to tomorrow's final round at Pebble Beach.
- Mark O'Meara withdrew prior to his second round due to lower back injury.

• Scott Simpson was disqualified due to returning an incomplete scorecard.