



Dominion Energy Charity Classic

The Country Club of Virginia (James River Course) | Richmond, Va. | October 16-18, 2020

Second-Round Notes

Saturday, October 17, 2020

Course Setup: Par 72 / 6,993 yards (R1: 72.400; R2: TBD)

Weather: Sunny with a high of 62. Winds out of the N/NE 5-10 mph.

Notes: The first round was moved to Saturday due to rainfall totaling 1.15" over the past 24 hours. Play began at 7:30 a.m. and concluded at 6:40 p.m., leaving two holes left to be played in the second round. The second round will resume Sunday at 8:45 a.m. and the final round will begin at 10:10 a.m. Lift, clean and place is in effect for the first 36-holes of play.

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	Player	To Par	Scores
1	Mike Weir	-13	68-63-131
2	Phil Mickelson	-10	68-66—134
Т3	Retief Goosen	-8	68-68—136
T3	Brandt Jobe	-8	68-68—136
T5	Bernhard Langer	-7	67-70—137
T5	Wes Short, Jr.	-7	69-68—137

Quick Links:

- Leaderboard
- Final-Round Tee Times (Golf Channel coverage: 2:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. ET)
- <u>PGATOURmedia.com</u> (transcripts and other resources available for download)

Mike Weir, 68-63-131 (-13)

- Making his tournament debut and his eighth start on PGA TOUR Champions, Weir carded an opening round 4-under 68, followed by a bogey-free 9-under 63 to lead into the final round by three strokes.
- Weir's three-stroke lead ties for the largest 36-hole lead in tournament history (Bernhard Langer, 2017). His second round 18-hole total of 9-under 63 is his career best on PGA TOUR Champions and ties the tournament's best 18-hole score for the fifth time. Others include:
 - Miguel Angel Jimenez, Rd. 3, 2019
 - o Vijay Singh, Rd. 2, 2017
 - o Bernhard Langer, Rd. 2, 2017
 - Kevin Sutherland, Rd. 3, 2016

- It is the first time Weir is the 36-hole leader on PGA TOUR Champions. He led into the final round eight times on the PGA TOUR, most recently the 2008 Dell Technologies Championship but ultimately finished runner-up. The last time he converted a final-round lead into a victory was the 2004 Genesis Open.
- Weir made his rookie debut at The Ally Challenge (T27) in August and since has posted two top-10 finishes. His best finish came at the PURE Insurance Championship (T4).
- Weir's last victory came at the 2007 Safeway Open, 13 years, 1 month, and 26 days ago.
- The 2003 Masters champion is the only Canadian to win a PGA TOUR major and has eight wins total.

Phil Mickelson, 68-66-134 (-10)

- Making his second start on PGA TOUR Champions, Mickelson concludes 36 holes of play two strokes off the lead. His 10-under total was the result of one eagle, 13 birdies, and five bogeys.
- Mickelson became the 20th player to win their PGA TOUR Champions debut when he won wire-towire at the Charles Schwab Cup Series at Ozark National with a Tour record-tying 191 total.
- Should Mickelson go on to win, he would join Jim Furyk and Bruce Fleisher as the only three players to win their first two starts.
- Mickelson turned 50 on June 16 and has made 18 starts on the PGA TOUR in 2020.
- The 44-time PGA TOUR winner entered the FedExCup Playoffs 67th in the standings and missed the cut at THE NORTHERN TRUST, falling outside the top 70.
- Mickelson's best finish of the 2020 PGA TOUR season was T2 at the World Golf Championships FedEx St. Jude, where he became the first player age 50 or older to finish runner-up on TOUR since Vijay Singh at the 2016 Quicken Loans National. It was the 37th second-place finish of his career.
- His five major championships titles include three Masters (2004, 2006, 2010), a PGA Championship (2005) and an Open Championship (2013).

Retief Goosen, 68-68-136 (-8)

- World Golf Hall of Fame member Goosen carded two consistent rounds of 4-under 68 to sit T3, five strokes off the lead.
- Goosen ranks first in the field in putts per GIR (57 on 33).
- The South African native is making his 12th start this season. His best finish came at The Ally Challenge when he finished runner-up to Jim Furyk by two strokes.
- Goosen owns one PGA TOUR Champions title (2019 Bridgestone SENIOR PLAYERS Championship), three runner-up finishes and 15 finishes in the top 15 in 34 starts on Tour.

Other Notes

- Celebrating his 51st birthday today, Charles Schwab Cup leader **Ernie Els** currently sits at 6-under through 36 holes. The World Golf Hall of Fame member won the Hoag Classic in his third PGA TOUR Champions start in March and has finished inside the top 10 in six of his eight starts.
- **Scott Verplank** became the first player to make an ace at the Dominion Energy Charity Classic when he used a 5-iron from 180 on No. 4 in his second round. The ace is Verplank's first on PGA TOUR Champions.
- The field includes all four past champions of the Dominion Energy Charity Classic, here is where they stand after two rounds:
 - Miguel Angel Jimenez (2019): T36 (-3)
 - **Woody Austin** (2018): T48 (Even)
 - **Bernhard Langer** (2017): T5 (-7)
 - Scott McCarron (2016): T36 (-1)

- Mark Calcavecchia withdrew prior to the start of the first round due to an injury with Frank Lickliter II taking his place in the field.
- Fred Funk withdrew after his second hole due to an injury.
- **Peter Jacobsen** withdrew after the first round due to an injury.
- **Dudley Hart** withdrew in the middle of the second round due to a thumb injury.