



PURE Insurance Championship

Pebble Beach Golf Links | Monterey Peninsula, Calif. | September 18-20, 2020

Second-Round Notes

Saturday, September 19, 2020

Course Setup: Par 72 / 6,829 yards (R1: 71.825; R2: 72.572)

Weather: Partly sunny with a high of 66. Winds out of the W/NW 10-15 mph.

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	Player	To Par	Scores
1	Ernie Els	-9	65-70—135
T2	Dicky Pride	-8	66-70—136
T3	Retief Goosen	-7	69-68—137
T3	Jim Furyk	-7	64-73—137
T3	Cameron Beckman	-7	65-72—137
T3	Fred Couples	-7	70-67—137
T3	Stephen Leaney	-7	65-72—137

Quick Links:

- [Leaderboard](#)
- [Final-Round Tee Times](#) (Golf Channel coverage: 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. ET)
- [PGATOURmedia.com](#) (transcripts and other resources available for download)

Ernie Els, 65-70 – 135 (-9)

- Starting on the back nine, Els kept it bogey-free for the week until his 22nd hole, the par-4 fourth.
- 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.
- Els is 12-for-16 with the lead/co-lead heading into the final round in his PGA TOUR career.
- Els is a 19-time PGA TOUR winner with four major titles, including two U.S. Opens (1994, Oakmont Country Club; 1997, Congressional Country Club).
- In 2000, Els had a front row seat when Tiger Woods won his first U.S. Open Championship by a record-setting 15 strokes (-12), and finished T2 at 3-under with **Miguel Angel Jimenez**. He entered Sunday's final round in solo-second, 10 shots behind Woods at 2-over par.
- Els just made four career starts in the PGA TOUR's AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, making the cut just once with a T28 at the 2019 edition (1996 event was canceled).

Dicky Pride, 66-70—136 (-8)

- After opening the round with a bogey on the first hole, Pride carded three birdies including No. 18 to close the day with a 2-under par 70 to move within one shot of the lead.
- In Tuesday's Open Qualifier, Pride carded a 4-under 68 at Bayonet's Black Horse Golf Course and earned the first of four available spots in the PURE Insurance Championship field.
- Pride is making his fourth PGA TOUR Champions start and with a T12 finish last week at the Sanford International serving as his best finish.
- Should he win on Sunday, he would become the first Open Qualifier to win since Doug Barron won the 2019 DICK'S Sporting Goods Open and would be the ninth in PGA TOUR Champions history.
- He would also join the class of six rookies to win so far in 2020: **Brett Quigley** (Morocco Champions), **Ernie Els** (Hoag Classic), **Jim Furyk** (The Ally Challenge), **Shane Bertsch** (Charles Schwab Series at Bass Pro Shops Big Cedar Lodge), **Phil Mickelson** (Charles Schwab Series at Ozarks National).

Retief Goosen, 69-68—137 (-7)

- Goosen earned 2019 Rookie of the Year honors after winning the Bridgestone SENIOR PLAYERS Championship and finishing third in the final Charles Schwab Cup standings. He led the Tour with a 69.14 scoring average last year.
- The South African native has 14 top-10s in 33 career starts, including a T2 at the first Return to Golf event, The Ally Challenge.
- In four career starts at the PGA TOUR's AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, Goosen notched two top-10 finishes, including a career-best, solo-third effort in his debut in 2009.

Jim Furyk, 64-73—137 (-7)

- Furyk, the event's first-round leader, birdied four of his first seven holes to reach 12-under par, but closed with three bogeys and a double-bogey in his final seven holes for a second-round 73.
- In his PGA TOUR Champions debut, Furyk won The Ally Challenge presented by McLaren in August.
- With the victory, Furyk became the 19th player to win in his PGA TOUR Champions Tour debut.
- Should he go on to win tomorrow, Furyk would become just the third player to win his first two starts on PGA TOUR Champions, joining **Bruce Fleisher** (1999) and **Arnold Palmer** (1980).
- Furyk is a 17-time time winner on the PGA TOUR including the 2003 U.S. Open championship (Olympia Fields Country Club).

Fred Couples, 70-67—137 (-7)

- Couples posted a bogey-free 67 on Saturday to move into a tie for third heading into Sunday's final round at Pebble Beach.
- The World Golf Hall of Fame member has 13 career wins on PGA TOUR Champions but is looking for his first since the 2017 American Family Insurance Championship, a span of 30 starts without a victory.
- Couples posted five straight top-10s to start this season. He finished T18 in his last start at the Charles Schwab Series at Bass Pro Shops Big Cedar Lodge, and he is currently No. 8 in the Charles Schwab Cup.

Cameron Beckman, 65-72—137 (-7)

- Through 36 holes, Beckman has carded eight birdies and just one bogey - on the par-4 No. 9 - which played as the most difficult hole of the day.
- The San Antonio, Texas, resident is making his third PGA TOUR Champions start after successfully open qualifying for the last two eligible events (The Ally Challenge, T45; Sanford International, T35).
- He is a three-time winner on the PGA TOUR (2001 Sanderson Farms Championship, 2008 Safeway Open, 2010 Mayakoba Golf Classic).

Second-Round Lead Notes

- Five second-round leaders/co-leaders have gone on to win through 10 events so far this season:
 - **Ernie Els**, Hoag Classic
 - **Jerry Kelly**, Bridgestone SENIOR PLAYERS Championship
 - **Shane Bertsch**, Charles Schwab Series at Bass Pro Shops Big Cedar Lodge
 - **Phil Mickelson**, Charles Schwab Series at Ozarks National
 - **Miguel Angel Jimenez**, Sanford International

Other Notes

- Two-time PGA TOUR winner Paul Stankowski is T47 (+2) through 36 holes in his PGA TOUR Champions debut.
- The PURE Insurance Championship field includes eight past U.S. Open champions with 11 collective titles. Here is where they stand after 36 holes:
 - **Ernie Els** (1994, 1997): 1st
 - **Retief Goosen** (2001, 2004): T3
 - **Lee Janzen** (1993, 1998): T47
 - **Jim Furyk** (2003): T3
 - **Tom Kite** (1992): T58
 - **Corey Pavin** (1995): T41
 - **Steve Jones** (1996): T54
 - **Angel Cabrera** (2007): 77th