



## Sanford International

Minnehaha Country Club | Sioux Falls, South Dakota | September 11-13, 2020

### First-Round Notes

Friday, September 11, 2020

**Course Setup:** Par 70 / 6,593 yards (R1 average: 70.296)

**Weather:** Scattered showers throughout the day. High of 56 and wind from the SE at 5-10 mph.

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	Player	To Par	Scores
T1.	Miguel Angel Jiménez	-5	32-33 – 65
T1.	David Toms	-5	33-32 – 65
T1.	Dicky Pride	-5	32-33 – 65
T4.	Jerry Kelly	-4	33-33 – 66
T4.	Three Others	-4	

#### Quick Links:

- [Leaderboard](#)
- [Second-round tee times](#) (Golf Channel coverage: 8:30-10:30 p.m. CT, tape delay)
- [PGATOURmedia.com](#) (transcripts and other resources available for download)

#### Miguel Angel Jiménez, 32-33 – 65 (-5)

- Jiménez eagled the par-5 12th, one of just two eagles made on Friday, en route to a first-round 65.
- This is the 12th time Jiménez has been a first-round leader/co-leader, and the third time this season. He has converted three of these leads/co-leads into wins, including this year's Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai.
- Jiménez has nine career victories and has recorded at least one win in each of his seven seasons on PGA TOUR Champions.
- He has three top-five finishes this season, the most recent being a T3 at the Bridgestone SENIOR PLAYERS Championship, and he is fifth in the Charles Schwab Cup.

#### David Toms, 33-32 – 65 (-5)

- Toms was 1-over after bogeys on Nos. 2 and 3, but rebounded with six birdies and finished with a 5-under 65.
- This marks the fifth time Toms is a first-round leader/co-leader, and the first time since the 2019 U.S. Senior Open. That is also the last time Toms led after any round on PGA TOUR Champions.
- In two previous starts at the Sanford International, Toms finished T20 in 2018 and T35 last year.
- In seven starts this season, Toms has just one top-10 (T9, Chubb Classic) and is 38th in the Charles Schwab Cup.

### **Dicky Pride, 32-33 – 65 (-5)**

- Playing on a sponsor's exemption, Pride carded six birdies and one bogey (a three-putt on his final hole) en route to a 5-under 65.
- He is looking to become the first sponsor's exemption to win since John Daly won the 2017 Insperity Invitational. Pride would also be the sixth rookie to win on Tour this season.
- Pride's lone PGA TOUR victory came at the 1994 FedEx St. Jude Classic, where he defeated Gene Sauers and Hal Sutton in a playoff. In his one PGA TOUR start this season, he finished 64th at the Barracuda Championship.
- His first two starts on PGA TOUR Champions was a T46 at the 2019 Senior Open and a T19 at the 2020 Bridgestone SENIOR PLAYERS Championship.

### **Other Notes**

- **Jerry Kelly** was 1-over through five holes, but made five birdies coming in and is T4 after a 4-under 66. Kelly closed with rounds of 67-68 at last year's Sanford International and finished T7.
- **Steve Flesch** birdied four of his first seven holes and finished with a 4-under 66. In his last start, he closed with a 9-under 62 to improve from 78th to T36 at the Charles Schwab Series at Ozarks National.
- Also in a tie for fourth at 4-under are **Paul Goydos** and **Paul Broadhurst**.
- One day after news broke of his bladder cancer diagnosis, **John Daly** opened with a 2-under 68 and is T11.
- **Steve Stricker**, winner of the 2018 Sanford International, is T8 after a first-round 67.
- **Rocco Mediate** began his title defense with a first-round 70.
- Three of the field's five World Golf Hall of Fame members are T11 at 2-under: **Fred Couples**, **Ernie Els** and **Bernhard Langer**. The other two Hall of Famers are **Colin Montgomerie** (T34/E) and **Retief Goosen** (T58/+2).
- **Tom Byrum**, who was born in Onida, South Dakota, is T58 after a first-round 72.