

## The Ally Challenge

Warwick Hills Golf & Country Club | Grand Blanc, Michigan | July 31 – August 2, 2020

### Second-Round Notes

Saturday, August 1, 2020

**Course Setup:** Par 72 / 7,064 yards (R2 average: 70.420, Cumulative: 70.741)

**Weather:** Mostly cloudy with scattered showers in the afternoon and a high of 78. Wind from the ENE at 5-10 mph.

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	Player	To Par	Scores
1.	Brett Quigley	-11	69-64 – 133
T2.	Jim Furyk	-10	68-66 – 134
T2.	Carlos Franco	-10	70-64 – 134
T2.	Tommy Armour III	-10	66-68 – 134
5.	Glen Day	-9	69-66 – 135

#### Quick Links:

- [Leaderboard](#)
- [Second-round tee times](#) (Golf Channel coverage: 3-5 p.m. ET)
- [PGATOURmedia.com](#) (transcripts and other resources available for download)

#### Brett Quigley, 69-64 – 133 (-11)

- After a bogey on the par-5 1st hole on Friday, Quigley has 12 birdies and 0 bogeys over his next 35 holes.
- His second-round, bogey-free 64 matches his best score on PGA TOUR Champions. He opened with a 9-under 64 at the Cologuard Classic in March.
- This is Quigley's second 36-hole lead on PGA TOUR Champions. He led by two through two rounds at the Cologuard Classic, and he went on to finish T3 after closing with an even-par 73.
- A win on Sunday would be his second in his first six starts on PGA TOUR Champions. Since 2010, only three players have won twice in their first six starts:
  - Paul Broadhurst, 2016 (won second and sixth starts)
  - Miguel Angel Jiménez, 2014-2015 (won first and third starts)
  - Fred Couples, 2010 (won second, third and fourth starts)
- His best finish in 11 starts at the Buick Open was a T7 in 2006.
- With a win, Quigley would pass Bernhard Langer and move from No. 2 to No. 1 in the Charles Schwab Cup.

#### Jim Furyk, 68-66 – 134 (-10)

- Furyk turned 50 on May 12 and is one of three players making his PGA TOUR Champions debut this week.
- Furyk is looking to become the first player to win his debut on PGA TOUR Champions since Miguel Angel Jiménez won the 2014 Mitsubishi Electric Classic. Overall, 18 players have won their debut.

- Through the year's first five events, two rookies have won (Brett Quigley, Ernie Els). In 2014, a Tour-record five rookies won (Jeff Maggert, Miguel Angel Jiménez, Scott Dunlap, Wes Short, Jr., Paul Goydos).
- He won 17 times on the PGA TOUR, the most recent being the 2015 RBC Heritage. A win Sunday would be his first in 5 years, 3 months, 14 days.
- In 15 starts at the Buick Open, Furyk never missed the cut and had eight top-10s, including a win in 2003. Among the 81 players in this week's field, he has the best scoring average (68.70) and most money won (\$2,292,130.63) at the Buick Open.
- This week marks the first time two FedExCup champions (Furyk/2010, Singh/2008) compete in an event on PGA TOUR Champions.

#### **Carlos Franco, 70-64 – 134 (-10)**

- Franco made two eagles (Nos. 7 and 13) en route to an 8-under 64, his career-low score in relation to par. His career-best score is 7-under 63, which he shot in the second and final rounds when he won the 2016 Shaw Charity Classic.
- The last time Franco made two eagles in a round was the final round of the 2018 American Family Insurance Championship.
- In Monday's Open Qualifier, Franco carded a 4-under 68 at Spring Meadow Country Club and earned the fourth and final qualifying spot. Should he win on Sunday, Franco would be the second Open Qualifier to win in the last 16 tournaments. Last August, Doug Barron won the DICK'S Sporting Goods Open after advancing through both pre-qualifying and qualifying.
- Franco finished 57th in last year's Charles Schwab Cup and is not fully exempt this season. With a win Sunday, he would be fully exempt through the end of the 2021 season.

#### **Tommy Armour III, 66-68 – 134 (-10)**

- Armour's 4-under 68 was one of six bogey-free rounds on Saturday.
- Sunday will be the fourth time Armour begins the final round among the top two (Last: 2011 Greater Hickory Classic at Rock Barn).
- With a win, Armour would break the Tour record for most starts (214) before his first win on PGA TOUR Champions. His last top-10 was a T3 finish at the 2017 Pacific Links Bear Mountain Championship.
- Armour gained entry as the first alternate when Brandt Jobe withdrew on Tuesday.

#### **Other Notes**

- First-round co-leader **Billy Andrade** fell to T32 after a 2-over 74 on Saturday.
- **Glen Day** carded a second-round 66 and is fifth at 9-under. He posted top-10s in the last two events before the hiatus (T9/Cologuard Classic, T2/Hoag Classic) and entered the week No. 15 in the Charles Schwab Cup.
- In addition to Furyk, **Mike Weir** (T22/-5) and **K.J. Choi** (T32/-4) are also making their Tour debuts.
- Reigning Charles Schwab Cup champion **Scott McCarron** is T22 at 5-under after a second-round 69.
- **Bernhard Langer** (T8/-7), **David Toms** (T13/-6) and **Tom Lehman** (T13/-6) are the only players that finished in the top-10 each of the first two years of The Ally Challenge.
- Defending champion **Jerry Kelly** carded a 4-under 68 and is T8 at 7-under.
- The field includes 11 players that won the Buick Open when it was played at Warwick Hills.
  - **Jim Furyk** (2003) – T2/-10
  - **Woody Austin** (1995) – T6/-8
  - **Larry Mize** (1993) – T22/-5
  - **Kenny Perry** (2001, 2008) – T32/-4
  - **Rocco Mediate** (2000) – T40/-3
  - **Billy Mayfair** (1998) – T51/-2
  - **Vijay Singh** (1997, 2004, 2005) – T65/+1
  - **Scott Verplank** (1988) – T69/+2

- **Tom Pernice Jr.** (1999) – T75/+4
- **Brad Faxon** (1991) – T77/+6
- **Peter Jacobsen** (1980) – 80th/+13