



2023 Grant Thornton Invitational

PGA TOUR Challenge Season event (unofficial)

Naples, Florida

December 8-10, 2023

Purse: \$4 million

Tiburón Golf Club

Par 72/Yards: 7,382 (PGA TOUR), 6,595 (LPGA)

Winner: \$1 million (\$500,000 each)

Second-Round Notes – Saturday, December 9, 2023

Weather: Partly cloudy. High of 82. Wind SSE at 7-12 mph.

Format: Three-round 54-hole stroke-play event with 16 teams of two. R1/Scramble, **R2/Foursomes**, R3/Modified Four-Ball

Foursomes: Each team's players alternate hitting shots with the same ball until the ball is holed. One player will tee off on the odd-numbered holes, and the other tees off on the even-numbered holes.

Second-Round Leaderboard

Jason Day/Lydia Ko	58-66—124 (-20)
Tony Finau/Nelly Korda	56-70—126 (-18)
Lucas Glover/Leona Maguire	57-69—126 (-18)
Rickie Fowler/Lexi Thompson	60-68—128 (-16)
Corey Connors/Brooke Henderson	59-69—128 (-16)
Nick Taylor/Ruoning Yin	58-70—128 (-16)
Denny McCarthy/Megan Khang	57-71—128 (-16)
Justin Rose/Charley Hull	58-72—130 (-14)
Harris English/Celine Boutier	63-69—132 (-12)
Ludvig Åberg/Madelene Sagstrom	60-72—132 (-12)
Sahith Theegala/Rose Zhang	58-74—132 (-12)
Joel Dahmen/Lilia Vu	61-72—133 (-11)
Russell Henley/Mel Reid	64-71—134 (-10)
Billy Horschel/Andrea Lee	64-71—135 (-9)
Tom Hoge/Cheyenne Knight	66-71—137 (-7)
Cameron Champ/Allisen Corpuz	59-78—137 (-7)

Jason Day/Lydia Ko (1st/-20)

- 6-under 66 marks the low round of the day; offset lone bogey (No. 5) with 7 birdies
- At No. 19 in the Official World Golf Ranking, Day marks the highest ranked player in the field, while Ko is No. 11 in the Rolex Women's World Golf Rankings
- Day is a four-time Presidents Cup participant for the International Team; Ko is a two-time Olympic medalist (2016 Rio Olympics/Silver, 2020 Tokyo Olympics/Bronze)
- Aussie recorded eight top-10s in 2022-23 season, highlighted by his 13th PGA TOUR title at the 2023 CJ CUP Byron Nelson
- Kiwi had two top-10s this season (best: 3rd/BMW Ladies Championship)
- Ko, a 19-time LPGA Tour winner, including two majors, was named 2022 Rolex Player of the Year and won the 2022 CME Group Tour Championship at Tiburón Golf Club

Tony Finau/Nelly Korda (T2/-18)

- Following a 16-under 56 in round one's Scramble format, 18-hole leaders and Grant Thornton ambassadors recorded a 2-under 70
- Eight-time LPGA Tour winner Korda had nine top-10s this season, and was a member of the 2023 U.S. Solheim Cup Team; played with Denny McCarthy at the 2022 QBE Shootout at Tiburón Golf Club, finishing T5
- Finau, a six-time TOUR winner, won twice on TOUR in 2022-23 (Texas Children's Houston Open, Mexico Open at Vidanta); made two appearances in the Ryder Cup (2018, 2021) and Presidents Cup (2019, 2022); has made four starts in the team format at the Zurich Classic of New Orleans, including a sixth-place finish in 2018 with partner Daniel Summerhays; partnered with Lexi Thompson at the QBE Shootout in 2017 (T4) and 2018 (T7)

Lucas Glover/Leona Maguire (T2/-18)

- Duo posts five birdies, including three consecutive birdies (Nos. 13-15) to offset two bogeys

- Maguire became the first Irish woman to win on the LPGA Tour with victory at the 2022 LPGA Drive On Championship; added a second title at the 2023 Meijer LPGA Classic; one of four in the field who competed for Europe in the 2023 Solheim Cup
- Glover won twice in 2023, in back-to-back weeks at the Wyndham Championship and FedEx St. Jude Championship, for his fifth and sixth TOUR titles, respectively; 2009 U.S. Open champion is one of three PGA TOUR players in the field to have won a major championship (Justin Rose, Jason Day); represented the United States at the Presidents Cup in 2007 and 2009

Miscellaneous Notes

- The Grant Thornton Invitational is a first-year PGA TOUR Challenge Season event (unofficial) and the first mixed-team co-sanctioned event between the PGA TOUR and LPGA Tour since John Daly and Laura Davies won the final JCPenney Classic in 1999
- **Rickie Fowler/Lexi Thompson** (T4/-16) were the only team with an eagle in the second round, with 11-time LPGA Tour winner Thompson recording an ace at the par-3 16th (155 yards, 7-iron)