

2023 Kaulig Companies Championship



Second-Round Notes

Friday, July 14, 2023

Firestone Country Club (South Course) | Akron, Ohio

16th of 28 PGA TOUR Champions events in the 2023 Season

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- **Course Setup:** Par 70 / 7,110 yards
- **Round 2 Scoring Average:** 72.962
- **Cumulative Scoring Average:** 72.641
- **Weather:** Partly cloudy with temps in the mid-80s and winds W at 5-10 mph
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	Player	To Par	Scores
1	Harrison Frazar	-7	65-68 – 133
2	Stewart Cink	-6	66-68 – 134
3	Ernie Els	-5	68-67 – 135
4	K.J. Choi	-4	70-66 – 136
T5	Steve Stricker	-2	65-73 – 138
T5	Scott Parel	-2	70-68 – 138
T5	Rod Pampling	-2	72-66 – 138

Things to Know

- Overnight co-leader **Harrison Frazar** birdied three of his first six holes en route to a second-round 68 and holds a one-shot lead at the halfway point.
- Rookie **Stewart Cink** (2nd) and World Golf Hall of Fame member **Ernie Els** (3rd) are lurking with 36 holes to play.
- **K.J. Choi** (4th), **Rod Pampling** (T5) and **Mark Hensby** (T13) matched the low round of the day with 4-under 66.

Harrison Frazar, 65-68 – 133 (-7)

- This is his lowest 36-hole score (133) on PGA TOUR Champions
 - Previous: 137 (Two times; last: 2022 Sanford International)
- This is his first time leading/co-leading after 36 holes on PGA TOUR Champions
 - Previous best position after 36 holes: T6 (2021 SAS Championship)
- The 51-year-old seeks his first win on PGA TOUR Champions (31st start)
 - Best finish: 2nd (2022 Constellation FURYK & FRIENDS)
- Making his 12th start of the 2023 season, he has one top-10 finish
 - Best finish: T10 (Trophy Hassan II)
- With a win on Sunday, he would snap a winless streak of 12 years, 1 month, 4 days (or 4,417 days), dating back to the 2011 FedEx St. Jude Classic
- With a win on Sunday, he would become the 20th player to win on PGA TOUR Champions, PGA TOUR and Korn Ferry Tour
 - Has one win on the PGA TOUR (2011 FedEx St. Jude Classic)
 - Has one win on the Korn Ferry Tour (1997 NIKE South Carolina Classic)
- In one professional start at Firestone Country Club, he finished T66 (2011 WGC-Bridgestone Invitational)

Other Notes

- Rookie **Stewart Cink**, making his second start on PGA TOUR Champions, carded 68 and sits in 2nd at 6-under.
 - Finished 3rd in his debut on PGA TOUR Champions (2023 KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship)
 - The 50-year-old is a previous winner at Firestone Country Club (2004 WGC-NEC Invitational)
- World Golf Hall of Fame member **Ernie Els** sits in 3rd at 5-under after posting 67.
 - The 53-year-old seeks his fourth win on PGA TOUR Champions (72nd start)
 - The Charles Schwab No. 5 has one win this season on PGA TOUR Champions (14th start)
 - Won the Hoag Classic (March 17-19)
- **K.J. Choi** made a hole-in-one on No. 5 with a 5-iron from 208 yards. He carded 66 and sits in 4th at 4-under.
- Charles Schwab Cup leader **Steve Stricker** carded 73 and sits in T5 at 2-under. It is only his second over-par round of the 2023 season on PGA TOUR Champions (41st round).
- The other players T5 at 2-under are **Scott Parel**, who shot nine-hole scores of 29-39 on Friday, and **Rod Pampling**, who carded 66.
- 46-time PGA TOUR Champions winner and World Golf Hall of Fame member **Bernhard Langer**, a three-time winner of the Kaulig Companies Championship (2014, 2015, 2016), sits T8 at 1-under after shooting 68.
- Two-time Kaulig Companies Championship winner (2020, 2022) **Jerry Kelly** shot 68 and sits T8 at 1-under.
- **Timothy O'Neal** (T52) made a hole-in-one on No. 7 with an 8-iron from 178 yards.