

2024 Boeing Classic



First-Round Notes

Friday, August 9, 2024

The Club at Snoqualmie Ridge | Snoqualmie, Washington
18th of 28 PGA TOUR Champions events in the 2024 Season

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- **Course Setup:** Par 72 / 7,158 yards
- **Round 1 Scoring Average:** 71.563
- **Weather:** Mostly sunny with temps in the mid-80s and winds W at 5-10 mph
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	Player	To Par	Scores
T1	Woody Austin	-6	33-33 – 66
T1	Steven Alker	-6	33-33 – 66
T1	Robert Karlsson	-6	32-34 – 66
T1	Gene Sauers	-6	34-32 – 66
T5	Kirk Triplett	-5	34-33 – 67
T5	Michael Allen	-5	35-32 – 67
T5	David Bransdon	-5	35-32 – 67

Things to Know

- Four players (**Woody Austin**, **Steven Alker**, **Robert Karlsson** and **Gene Sauers**) share the lead after the first round of the Boeing Classic.

Woody Austin, 33-33 – 66 (-6)

- Holds the 18-hole co-lead at the Boeing Classic for the third time in the last four years
 - Previous instances: 2021, 2023
 - Note: Shot 66 in all three of those instances
- This is his eighth time leading/co-leading after the first round on PGA TOUR Champions
 - Is 1-for-7 converting those into victories
- The 60-year-old seeks his fifth win on PGA TOUR Champions (225th start)
 - Last win: 2018 Dominion Energy Charity Classic
- Making his 15th start of the 2024 season, he has three top-25 finishes
 - Best finish of 2024: T15 (Hoag Classic)
- Making his 10th appearance at the Boeing Classic, he has three top-5 finishes
 - Best finish: T2 (2016)

Steven Alker, 33-33 – 66 (-6)

- This is his 10th time leading/co-leading after the first round on PGA TOUR Champions
 - Is 4-for-9 converting those into victories
- The 53-year-old seeks his ninth win on PGA TOUR Champions (66th start)
 - Last win: 2024 Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai
- Making his 13th start of the 2024 season, he has seven top-5 finishes
 - Entered the week No. 3 in the Charles Schwab Cup standings
- Looks to become the fifth multi-time winner this season on PGA TOUR Champions
 - Would join Ernie Els (3), Richard Bland (2), Pádraig Harrington (2) and Stephen Ames (2)

- Making his fourth appearance at the Boeing Classic, he has finished T7 (2021), 5th (2022) and T3 (2023)
 - Note: the 2021 Boeing Classic was his debut on PGA TOUR Champions after Monday qualifying into the event

Robert Karlsson, 32-34 – 66 (-6)

- This is his second time leading/co-leading after the first round on PGA TOUR Champions
 - Is 0-for-1 converting those into victories
- The 54-year-old seeks his first win on PGA TOUR Champions (82nd start)
 - Best finish: 2nd/T2 (five times)
- Making his 12th start of the 2024 season, he has two top-10 finishes
 - Best finish of 2024: T7 (Kaulig Companies Championship)
- Making his fourth appearance the Boeing Classic, his best finish is T45 (2022)

Gene Sauers, 34-32 – 66 (-6)

- Matched his low 18-hole score of the 2024 season (35th round)
- This is his eighth time leading/co-leading after the first round on PGA TOUR Champions
 - Is 0-for-7 converting those into victories
- The 61-year-old seeks his second win on PGA TOUR Champions (245th start)
 - Last win: 2016 U.S. Senior Open
- Making his 13th start of the 2024 season, he has three top-25 finishes
 - Best finish of 2024: T12 (Invited Celebrity Classic)
- Making his 11th appearance at the Boeing Classic, he has six top-10 finishes
 - Best finish: 3rd (2014)

Other Notes

- **Kirk Triplett**, **Michael Allen** and **David Bransdon** are T5 after each opening with 5-under 67.
- The group T8 at 4-under includes **Richard Green** and **Tom Pernice Jr.**
- Charles Schwab Cup leader **Ernie Els** birdied three of his last five holes en route to 3-under 69 and sits T10.
- Seattle native **Fred Couples**, making his first PGA TOUR Champions start since March, sits T16 after carding 70.
- Defending champion and Charles Schwab No. 2 **Stephen Ames** opened with 1-under 71 and sits T26.
- Two-time champion (2010, 2016) **Bernhard Langer** sits T39 at even par.