



# 2024 Charles Schwab Cup Championship

## Second-Round Notes Friday, November 8, 2024

Phoenix Country Club | Phoenix, Arizona 28<sup>th</sup> of 28 PGA TOUR Champions events in the 2024 Season 3<sup>rd</sup> of 3 events in the 2024 Charles Schwab Cup Playoffs



#### Media Contacts:

Chris King, <a href="mailto:chrisking@pgatourhq.com">chrisking@pgatourhq.com</a>, 720-470-2852 Doug Milne, <a href="mailto:dougmilne@pgatourhq.com">dougmilne@pgatourhq.com</a>, 904-614-0657 Connor Stange, <a href="mailto:connorstange@pgatourhq.com">connorstange@pgatourhq.com</a>, 402-560-3758

Course Setup: Par 71 / 6,826 yards
Round 2 Scoring Average: 69.885
Cumulative Scoring Average: 70.385

• Weather: Sunny, with a high of 69. Wind W 4-8 mph

• Interviews: <u>Transcripts</u> | <u>Content Hub</u>

- Leaderboard
- Third-Round Tee Times
- PGATOURMedia.com
- Charles Schwab Cup Standings
- Charles Schwab Cup Scenarios

#### Second-Round Leaderboard

	Player	To Par	Scores	Schwab Cup Standings	
	riayei			Start	<b>Projected</b>
1	Stewart Cink	-12	64-66—130	12 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
2	Bernhard Langer	-9	69-64—133	22 <sup>nd</sup>	13 <sup>th</sup>
3	Alex Cejka	-7	69-66—135	19 <sup>th</sup>	14 <sup>th</sup>
T4	5 players	-4			

### **Things to Know**

- In his bid to become the first player to win the Charles Schwab Cup Championship in his first start since Padraig Harrington in 2022, **Stewart Cink** followed an opening-round 7-under 64 with a 66 to open up a 3-stroke lead at 12-under 130.
- After a 70-68 start to reach T4 at 4-under 138, defending champion **Steven Alker** is projected No. 1 in the race for the Charles Schwab Cup; he first won the season-long title in 2022.

## **Stewart Cink – 64-66 (-12)**

Charles Schwab Cup standings – Start: 12th / Projected: 3rd

- Seeking his second win of the season and first since The Ally Challenge, he followed an opening-round 7-under 64 in round one with a 5-under 66 to step out to a 3-stroke lead at 12-under 130 in his Charles Schwab Cup Championship debut.
- Depending on how he and several others fare in the final two rounds, he can reach as high as second in the season-long race for the Charles Schwab Cup Championship.
- In 72-hole events on PGA TOUR Champions, his previous-best 36-hole position of solo-2<sup>nd</sup> at the 2023 Kaulig Companies Championship resulted in a T7 finish.
- His 5-under 66 in round two marks his 18th consecutive sub-par score on PGA TOUR Champions this season.
- Making his 15<sup>th</sup> start on PGA TOUR Champions, the 51-year-old seeks a second win and first since the 2024 Ally Challenge in August.
- Making his 11<sup>th</sup> start of this season on PGA TOUR Champions, he comes off top-5 finishes in four of his most recent five starts.

#### Page 2 of 2 | Second-Round Media Notes





#### **Additional Notes**

- With birdies on five of his first seven holes, World Golf Hall of Fame member and 6-time Charles Schwab Cup champion Bernhard Langer (2<sup>nd</sup>/-9) signed for a 7-under 64, marking the 21<sup>st</sup> time the 67-year-old has shot his age or better in competition; in 15 previous Charles Schwab Cup Championship starts, he has amassed 10 top-10s, highlighted by runner-up finishes in 2013, 2015 and 2016; he seeks an eighth top 10 this season in his 16<sup>th</sup> start.
- Seeking a sixth top-10 finish of the season and first since solo-2<sup>nd</sup> honors at the PURE Insurance Championship in September, **Alex Cejka** offset one bogey with six birdies to card a 5-under 66 and reach solo-3<sup>rd</sup> at 7-under 135; in two previous Charles Schwab Cup Championship starts, the 53-year-old finished solo-second in 2022 and T8 in 2023.
- Making his fifth start in the Charles Schwab Cup Championship, 61-year-old World Golf Hall of Fame member Vijay Singh followed a 2-over 73 in round one with a bogey-free 6-under 65 in Friday's second round; at 4-under 138, the 2018 champion of the event will head into the weekend T4 and eight strokes off the lead; his most recent of six top-10 finishes this season (21 starts) came at the Simmons Bank Championship (T7) two weeks ago in his most recent start on PGA TOUR Champions.
- Defending champion **Steven Alker** began his round with 11 straight pars, before carding three birdies en route to a bogey-free 3-under 68 and sits T4 at 4-under 138; the 2022 Charles Schwab Cup champion entered this week No. 2 in the Charles Schwab Cup standings and is currently projected at No. 1.
- In his bid to remain at the No. 1 spot and win the Charles Schwab Cup, **Ernie Els** will begin round three T9 at 3-under 139. Through 36 holes, he is projected No. 2 in the standings.

### Race for the Charles Schwab Cup

The Charles Schwab Cup offers \$2.1 million in prize money to the top-5 finishers at season's end. The prize money will be distributed in lump sum deposits into a Schwab brokerage account to be invested into a Schwab Managed Portfolio (SMP), if eligible. The winner of the season-long Charles Schwab Cup will be awarded \$1 million and the 2nd–5th place finishers will receive prize money of \$500,000, \$300,000, \$200,000, and \$100,000, respectively.

### **Projected Charles Schwab Cup Standings After Round Two**

	Player	Entered the Week	
1	Steven Alker	2 <sup>nd</sup>	
2	Ernie Els	1 <sup>st</sup>	
3	Stewart Cink	12 <sup>th</sup>	
4	Stephen Ames	3 <sup>rd</sup>	
5	Padraig Harrington	4 <sup>th</sup>	