# 2024 Cologuard Classic by Exact Sciences

## Second-Round Notes Saturday, March 9, 2024

La Paloma Country Club | Tucson, Arizona 4th of 28 PGA TOUR Champions events in the 2024 Season



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- Course Setup: Par 71 / 6,775 yards
  Round 2 Scoring Average: 69.430
  Cumulative Scoring Average: 69.869
- Weather: Mostly sunny with temps in the high-60s and winds NE at 5-10 mph
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	Player	To Par	Scores
1	Stewart Cink	-11	62-69 – 131
T2	Retief Goosen	-9	67-66 – 133
T2	Joe Durant	-9	67-66 – 133
T4	Six players tied	-8	

#### Things to Know

- First-round leader **Stewart Cink** carded a second-round 69 to retain his advantage entering the final round. He leads by two over **Joe Durant** and World Golf Hall of Fame member **Retief Goosen**.
- Stephen Ames (T4) and Kevin Sutherland (T4) matched the low round of the day with 7-under 64.

### Stewart Cink, 62-69 - 131 (-11)

- The 50-year-old seeks his first win on PGA TOUR Champions (sixth start)
  - Best finish: 3rd (2023 KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship)
  - Last win on the PGA TOUR: 2021 RBC Heritage
- This is his low 36-hole score on PGA TOUR Champions
  - o Previous low 36-hole score: 134 (2023 Kaulig Companies Championship)
- This is his first time leading/co-leading entering the final round on PGA TOUR Champions
  - Previous best position: 3rd (twice; last: 2023 Kaulig Companies Championship)
- With a win on Sunday, he would become the 22nd player to win on PGA TOUR Champions, PGA TOUR and Korn Ferry Tour
  - o Has eight wins on the PGA TOUR (last: 2021 RBC Heritage)
  - Has three wins on the Korn Ferry Tour (last: 1996 Korn Ferry Tour Championship)
- With a win on Sunday, he would be the first player to go wire-to-wire this season on PGA TOUR Champions
  - Last player to go wire-to-wire: Rod Pampling (2023 SAS Championship)
- This is his third time playing in the last group of the final round on PGA TOUR Champions
  - Is 0-for-2 converting those into victories (both in 2023)
- Making his second start of the 2024 season, he finished T5 at the Mitsubishi Electric Championship at Hualalai
- Is making his first appearance at the Cologuard Classic

#### **Other Notes**

- Making his first start of the 2024 season, World Golf Hall of Fame member Retief Goosen sits T2 at 9-under after shooting 66. The 55-year-old seeks his third win on PGA TOUR Champions (100th start).
  - o Last win: 2022 Hoag Classic

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- **Joe Durant** sits T2 at 9-under after posting 66. The 59-year-old seeks his fifth win on PGA TOUR Champions (218th start).
  - o Last win: 2021 Ally Challenge
- Six players are T4 at 8-under:
  - o **Stephen Ames**, who seeks his second win in his last three starts (2024 Chubb Classic)
  - 2021 Cologuard Classic champion Kevin Sutherland, who seeks his sixth win on PGA TOUR Champions (and fourth in the state of Arizona)
  - o Reigning Senior Open winner Alex Cejka, who seeks his fourth win on PGA TOUR Champions
  - 2018 Cologuard Classic champion and reigning Charles Schwab Cup winner Steve Stricker, who seeks his 18th win on PGA TOUR Champions
  - o World Golf Hall of Fame member Ernie Els, who seeks his fourth win on PGA TOUR Champions
  - Billy Andrade, who seeks his first win since 2015
- Tournament host **Jerry Kelly** sits T10 at 7-under after carding 68 in the second round.
- Charles Schwab Cup leader Steven Alker posted 68 and sits T18 at 5-under.
- Mario Tiziani (T61) made a hole-in-one on No. 17 with an 8-iron from 156 yards.
- Kirk Triplett was disqualified (non-conforming club) during the second round.
- World Golf Hall of Fame member **Davis Love III** withdrew (hand injury) after the second round.