

2024 U.S. Senior Open



Second-Round Notes

Friday, June 28, 2024

Newport Country Club | Newport, Rhode Island

15th of 28 PGA TOUR Champions events in the 2024 Season

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- **Course Setup:** Par 70 / 6,970 yards
- **Round 2 Scoring Average:** 72.482
- **Cumulative Scoring Average:** 72.136
- **Weather:** Mostly sunny with temps in the mid-70s and winds SW at 10-15 mph
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	Player	To Par	Scores
1	Hiroiyuki Fujita	-11	63-66 – 129
2	Richard Green	-10	63-67 – 130
T3	Steve Stricker	-8	66-66 – 132
T3	Richard Bland	-8	68-64 – 132
5	Stephen Ames	-7	65-68 – 133

Things to Know

- First-round co-leader **Hiroiyuki Fujita** carded 4-under 66 to take a one-stroke lead over fellow first-round co-leader **Richard Green** into the weekend at the 44th U.S. Senior Open.
- **36-hole cut:** 71 players posted 2-over or better to make the cut from a field of 156 players.
- **Saturday schedule change:** Due to anticipated heavy fog on Saturday, third round tee times will run from 8-10 a.m. in threesomes off Nos. 1 and 10. Peacock will stream the action from 10 a.m.-Noon (ET) before NBC televises play from Noon-3 p.m. Golf Channel will broadcast a two-hour re-air of the third round from 3-5 p.m.

Hiroiyuki Fujita, 63-66 – 129 (-11)

- The 55-year-old seeks his first win in a PGA TOUR Champions event (fifth start)
 - Best finish: T33 (2023 Senior Open Championship presented by Rolex)
- Is exempt into the 2024 U.S. Senior Open by finishing in the top 4 of the 2023 Japan Senior Tour money list
- Won the 2023 Japan Senior Open Golf Championship
- Making his second appearance in the U.S. Senior Open, he finished T47 in 2023
- Made 29 starts in PGA TOUR events, most recently in 2015
 - Best finish: T10 (2011 Cognizant Classic in The Palm Beaches)
- Has 16 wins on the Japan Golf Tour (621 starts)
 - Last win: 2014 Asia-Pacific Diamond Cup Golf

Hiroiyuki Fujita in PGA TOUR Champions Events

Tournament	36-Hole Score	36-Hole Position	Finish
2023 KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship	143	T27	T37
2023 U.S. Senior Open	149	T38	T47
2023 Senior Open presented by Rolex	147	T59	T33
2024 KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship	144	T60	T51
2024 U.S. Senior Open	129	1st	

Richard Green, 63-67 – 130 (-10)

- This is his low 36-hole score on PGA TOUR Champions (130)
 - Previous best 36-hole score: 133 (2023 Charles Schwab Cup Championship)
- Matched his best 36-hole position on PGA TOUR Champions
 - Previous instance: T2 (2023 Dominion Energy Charity Classic)
- The 53-year-old seeks his first win on PGA TOUR Champions (43rd start)
 - Best finish: 2nd (2023 Dominion Energy Charity Classic; 2024 KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship)
- Making his 14th start of the 2024 season, he has three top-10 finishes and entered the week No. 9 in the Charles Schwab Cup standings
- Making his third appearance at the U.S. Senior Open, he has finished T49 (2022) and T27 (2023)

Steve Stricker, 66-66 – 132 (-8)

- The 57-year-old seeks his 18th win on PGA TOUR Champions (72nd start)
 - A win would move him into T14 on the all-time PGA TOUR Champions wins list
 - Last win: 2023 Sanford International
- Seeks his eighth senior major title, which would move him into T3 on the all-time list
 - Last senior major win: 2023 Kaulig Companies Championship
- Making his ninth start of the 2024 season, he has seven top-10 finishes and entered the week No. 4 in the Charles Schwab Cup standings
 - Best finish of 2024: 2nd (American Family Insurance Championship)
- Making his fourth appearance at the U.S. Senior Open, he won in 2019 and finished runner-up in 2022 and 2023

Other Notes

- 51-year-old **Richard Bland**, who won the KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship last month, sits T3 at 8-under after shooting bogey-free 64.
- Charles Schwab Cup leader **Stephen Ames** sits in 5th at 7-under. The 60-year-old seeks his third win of the 2024 season on PGA TOUR Champions (14th start).
 - Previous 2024 wins: Chubb Classic; Mitsubishi Electric Classic
- World Golf Hall of Fame member **Retief Goosen** sits T6 at 6-under along with **Thomas Bjorn** and **Paul Stankowski**.
- 2022 champion **Padraig Harrington**, who won last week's DICK'S Open, carded 71 and sits T16 at 3-under.
- 70-year-old **Jay Haas** (T24) shot his age for the second consecutive day with an even-par 70. He improves to 18-for-18 making the cut at the U.S. Senior Open.
- **Mark Hensby** carded the low round of the day with 7-under 63 to move from T109 to T24 on the leaderboard after opening with 75.
- Two-time champion (2010, 2023) **Bernhard Langer** sits T60 at 2-over after carding 72. He improves to 15-for-16 making the cut at the U.S. Senior Open.
- **Frank Bense Jr.** (CUT) made holes-in-one on back-to-back holes (Nos. 4 and 5), becoming the first player to ace consecutive holes on any PGA TOUR-sanctioned Tour since hole sequence tracking began with the inception of ShotLink in 2003.
 - He used a 6-iron on both holes, with No. 4 measuring 173 yards and No. 5 measuring 202 yards.
 - It is the only instance since 2003 where a player made two holes-in-one in the same round of a PGA TOUR Champions event.
- **Mike Weir** withdrew during the second round.