

Defending champion Exber grabs lead at Stocker Cup
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Brady Exber

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CARMEL, Calif. – Defending champion Brady Exber has taken the lead after the second round of the Stocker Cup at The Preserve Golf Club.

Exber, who plays out of TPC Summerlin in Las Vegas, carded a 4-under 68 highlighted by six birdies. Exber, who was a perennial contender in the Stocker Cup before breaking through with his first win last year at Sonoma GC, stands at 6-under total.

Exber is being chased by Tyler Crawford of The Plantation Club and Jerry Ledzinski of Monterey Peninsula CC, who are one back. Two shots back are first-round leader Brad Wilder of Valhalla GC and Jason Anthony of Green Valley GC.

Past champion Craig Doell had perhaps the shot of the day, making double eagle on the par-5 10th hole.

TEAM GROSS EVENT

Jason and Jack Anthony grabbed the lead in the team gross event, a best-ball tournament. The Anthonys stand at 133 after a 7-under 65 today.

Craig Doell and Erik Stocker (Peter Stocker's son), Jerry Ledzinski and AmateurGolf.com's Pete Wlodkowski and Brady Exber and Dusty Allen are one stroke back.

TEAM NET EVENT

The Anthonys are tied with Ledzinski and Wlodkowski in the net event, and best-ball using handicaps. The low score is 14-under 130. Four teams are one back setting up a tight final round.

The Olympic Club's Sam Nunes had a run any player would dream of, making natural birdies on Nos. 3,6,7 and 8 on the front nine. Toss in two other net birdies against one bogey, and the 5-handicapper carded an impressive net 31.

Eagle usually yields a skin, but not at the 2015 Stocker Cup. There were also two 2s made on No. 7, a short par 4.

ABOUT THE Stocker Cup



The Stocker Cup was founded in 1991 to honor the memory of Peter Stocker. Peter and his partners Bill Harlan and John Montgomery founded San Francisco's Pacific Union Company, a highly successful real estate development company. The firm initiated the development of The Santa Lucia Preserve, a 20,000 acre residential and golf community located above Carmel. Meandering through the winding road to The Preserve's centerpiece -- the top-100 rated golf course -- has been described as "driving through a California postcard." The Stocker Cup was played from 1991 to 1999 at Pebble Beach and its surrounding golf courses, before moving to the Tom Fazio and Sandy Tatum designed Preserve G.C. In the words of former USGA President Tatum: "Peter Stocker was the quintessential amateur golfer. He loved golf with a passion. He would have loved this tournament."

FORMAT: 54-hole individual competition with a simultaneous best-ball event, similar to the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am. Invited Mid-Amateur players are either paired with a single digit amateur or can propose their own partner to be introduced and invited by the Committee.

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