

Zachary Campbell's lead stretches to 10 shots as rain shortens Championship and First flights



Heavy rain and a threat of lightning forced play at Shady Oaks Country to be scrubbed with the Championship Flight finishing only nine holes and the First Flight unable to wade through nine before play was called off. Photo shows water standing on the putting green near the pro shop. All flights but the Championship and First flights were able to finish their rounds.



As a result, the Championship Flight will use their nine-hole scores to determine a 45-hole total that was used to determine the cut for Thursday's final round at Colonial Country Club. The 36-hole scores from the First Flight determined the cut for those qualifying for Colonial. Rain began falling about 11:30 and didn't begin abating for about an hour. Much of that time, though, was under a lightning warning. After consulting with the club's pro staff and with the radar indicating more rain was on the way, it was decided to end play about 30 minutes later. Many of the sand traps had standing water and the course had standing water in many areas.

Second-round leader Zachary Campbell, 18, (pictured) from Fort Worth added three more strokes to his lead and will head into Colonial with a 10-shot advantage. He shot a 1-over-par 36 on the front nine at Shady Oaks and has a 175 total. Jackson Markham held his second-place spot, but his 39 pushed him farther behind to 185. Alone at 186 is Nicholas Narcisse, 17, of Arlington as he moved up after a 37. Three players are at 187 -- first-round leader Brendon Powers, 14, of Mansfield (39--182), Shepherd Branch, 15 of Grapevine (39--187), and Reagan Johnson, 17, of Fort Worth (35--187). Davis Farnell, 18, of Burleson posted the low score on the front nine with a 2-under 33 and moved to 188.

Campbell had hit his tee shot on the 17th hole as rain began pouring and when the siren sounded to end play because of lightning. He was two-over at the time and said he was hitting the ball "great," and carded only one bogey on the front nine. The Houston Baptist signee said he has played Colonial several times and will have a good mind-set entering the final round as he attempts to nail down the championship.

Qualifying cuts for the final round at Colonial was 192 for the Championship Flight (45 holes); 161 for the First Flight (36 holes); 243 for the Second Flight (54 holes), and 257 (54 holes) for the Third Flight. Those making the cut from the Championship, First, Second and Third flights will play at Colonial. The Second and Third flights played Wednesday at Mira Vista C.C.

The Fourth through Eighth flights played at Diamond Oaks C.C. and the six survivors in each flight from match play will play stroke play at Walnut Creek C.C. The 11-13 9-hole division will finish their match play competition with the final two in each flight dueling for the winner's trophies. The 8-10

year old division, which is playing eight holes this year (a four-hole loop) at River's Edge will finish their stroke competition.