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A look at the players who made the cut at the U.S. Open shows how global golf has become. Half of the 60 players who qualified for the final two rounds are American. The remaining 30 come from England (four), Sweden (four), Australia (three), Canada (three), South Africa (three), France (two), Northern Ireland (two), Argentina (two), and one each from Japan, Fiji, Spain, Italy, Colombia, Denmark, and South Korea.

The rain delay at the Open affected one of the most popular and respected charity events of the year. The CVS Caremark Charity Classic hosted by Brad Faxon and Billy Andrade was scheduled for the Monday after the Open. Todd Hamilton, Bubba Watson, Camilo Villegas, Anthony Kim, and Retief Goosen were all scheduled to play, but all stayed at Bethpage for the completion of Monday's final round. Fortunately there was a waiting list of friends who jumped in to help: David Toms, Matt Kuchar, Rhode Island native Brad Adamonis, and LPGA Tour stars Laura Diaz and Brittany Lincicome. Without Villegas and Watson, it marks the first time a team will not be back to defend its title.

Don't ask John Daly to drive your tour bus. Daly said a confusing set of signs at the entrance of the Bankhead Tunnel in Mobile, Ala., caused the top of his bus to be heavily damaged, with awnings and other parts hitting a Cadillac going in the other direction. Daly said he and his 17-year-old daughter, Shynah, were shaken but not injured. "In 17 years of driving a bus, I've never had an experience like this," Daly said. "The sign said, 'No trucks, cargo or hazardous material in the right lane.' I'm reading the sign and don't see the clearance footage. I'm think I've got to go to the left lane, and before I know it, the roof is torn out. His golf focus is on the "Race to Dubai" in Europe. Daly leaves this week for a four-week trip that will conclude with the British Open, where he is a past champion.

After Ricky Barnes took an extraordinary number of practice swings on Sunday when faced with a lie in the tall fescue on the 10th hole, loads of fans called the USGA asking whether Barnes had improved his lie. Here's their explanation: "Many fans saw Barnes taking multiple powerful practice swings in the tall fescue before hitting his second shot towards the green. In taking his practice swings, Barnes was to the left of his ball and away from his line of play. Therefore, he was not in any danger of improving his lie, the area of his intended stance or swing, or his line of play. You may have thought he was testing the conditions of the long grass, which is ok. You are allowed to do that when your ball is in the area through the green."



Major Streak: SST PURE Wins at U.S. Open

Call SST PURE the "Choice of Champions!" Lucas Glover's victory at the U.S. Open means that a player who has asked SST to PURE his clubs has won every major in 2009. Angele Cabrera won the Masters, Michael Allen won the Senior PGA Championship and now Lucas Glover is triumphant on the ever-tough Bethpage Black Course to win the Open. Add in Henrik Stenson's Players victory and SST PURE's victory domination grows even more significant.

But that's just a start because SST PURE has enjoyed almost total domination all year. Glover's Open win is the 15th week in a row that a player who has PUREd clubs won. The total victories this year now sits at 20. If you add up all the money won by just players on the PGA Tour who PUREd their clubs in 2009 the total climbed this week to more than \$86 million.

The story line all week centered on players with PUREd clubs. Ricky Barnes set a 36-hole scoring record and Ricky started PUREing his clubs this year. His second-place finish means you'll see him at Hartford next week, the British Open later this summer as well as the Masters and the Open next year.

David Duval PUREs his clubs and who would doubt now that he's back on his game. If it hadn't been for trying a shot under the bunker lip instead of taking an unplayable lie, Duval might have had a U.S. Open to go with his British Open won years ago. But he never quit and with his SST PUREd Nike clubs he's a force.

The top 20 is once again a great showcase for SST PURE: Lucas Glover is the champion, with Ricky Barnes and David Duval tied for second place. Tiger Woods, who earlier this year according to *Golfweek* tested a dozen sets of irons and chose the only two SST PUREd sets, finished in sixth place. Players champion Stenson finished ninth and Matt Bettencourt, Mike Weir, Retief Goosen, Ian Poulter and Graeme McDowell all had top-20 finishes.

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