

U.S. Senior Amateur

Saturday, Aug. 26, 2023
Martis Camp Club
Truckee, Calif.

Ronnie Clark, Scotland

1-under 71 (first round, stroke play)



Q. One-under 71, is that correct?

Clark: "A 71 with two bogeys on my last two holes (8 and 9). I played pretty solid and started with a 6 [on No. 10], too. Drove it in a bunker and got a wee-bit greedy. Played really solid after that. I felt like I should have been 4 under with two to go. Missed like a 4-footer on No. 6. I lipped out a 7-footer on No. 8 and I hit a great drive at the last; only had 121 [yards] in and I just didn't commit to [the shot]."

Q. Are you happy with the round?

Clark: "If someone had given me a 71 on the first tee, I would have taken it. This is my first USGA event. First time in the U.S. Seniors and just happy to be here."

Qualified via the World Amateur Golf Ranking.

Captain of the Scottish Senior National Team

Consultant. 8-10 days per month. Remote work

Q. Captain of the Scottish Senior Team?

Clark: "There's six of us on the team. I fly to the Czech Republic next Sunday for the European Senior Team Championships. Six-man team. Then back a week, then we play the Senior Home Internationals, which is Scotland, England, Ireland and Wales. Seven-man team.

Q. This potentially could be a good few days for Scotland with Catriona Matthew leading the U.S. Senior Women's Open?

Clark: "I just want to get into match play and looks like I'll make the cut."

Q. This golf is vastly different from Scotland?

Clark: "I'm not used to hitting 50-degree wedges 131 yards and 3-woods 280 [yards] up the hill into the wind."