



Westwood, Liang tied going into final day of Shui On Land China Golf Challenge

Dongguan, China; October 15, 2011: World number two Lee Westwood and Chinese number one Liang Wen-chong share the lead at two-under-par going into the final two holes of the week-long, seven-city Shui On Land China Golf Challenge on Sunday.

Westwood, 38, moved to two-under with a birdie at the 198-yard par-three 15th, the second of three holes played at Long Island Golf and Country Club in Dongguan, Guangdong province, before the players took a helicopter to Macau, where they will stay at The Venetian.

The Englishman could have taken the outright lead, but missed a four-foot birdie putt at the uphill 418-yard par-four 16th. Ian Poulter, who bogeyed the 503-yard par-four 14th, was even-par and world number three Rory McIlroy, the US Open champion, remained six-over.

"I've drawn level, there's two holes to go and all to play for in Macau. We have four good players so it was always going to be close, but to be tied going into the final day is ideal for everybody," said Westwood, who has twice been world number one in the last 12 months.

"I won the Macau Open in 1998. We're not playing the same golf course, but obviously I have very fond memories, as I do all of Asia. I've had a lot of success here."

Westwood believes the Shui On Land China Golf Challenge has lived up to its name, having already visited Shanghai and Zhengzhou in the east, Beijing and Dalian in the north, and Chongqing in the west.

"It was a lovely day and the golf course at Long Island is very good, but we've played some challenging holes. We're not only playing China's great 18, I think we're also playing China's hard 18, too," he laughed.

"All the players were commenting about how much the temperature and conditions have changed over the last five days, but when you think about it, there are thousands of miles of flying involved. It's like going from Scotland to Spain, so you wouldn't expect the same weather."

Liang, who has led since the third day, will have huge support at Caesars Golf Macau as the 33-year-old Zhongshan native continues to lead the home charge against three of the world's most famous golfers.

“I’m quite happy to still be sharing the lead and it will be interesting in Macau. I just need to keep concentrating, make the chances first, and then charge. It has been a good challenge and we had some challenging holes at Long Island,” said Liang, who finished eighth at last year’s PGA Championship for his best finish in a Major.

“It has been very interesting travelling in China this week. It has been good for Chinese golf. I’m proud to represent China and host Ian, Rory and Lee, and they have all said they will come back next year, which makes me very happy.”

On Saturday afternoon, the four players participated in a Pro-Am to raise money for Yan Oi Tong’s Chong Sok Un Medical Fund (Cancer Aid). Long Island has hosted the annual pro-am for Yan Oi Tong since 2006. A Hong Kong-based charity foundation, Yan Oi Tong provides social welfare, education, medical services, sports and recreational services particularly for neglected elders as well as patients living with cancer.

Since Monday, the players have competed at Tomson Golf Club in Shanghai, Jinsha Lake Golf Club in Zhengzhou, Topwin Golf and Country Club and Jade Island International Golf Club in Beijing, the 36-hole Red Flag Valley in Dalian and Sun Kingdom Golf Club in Chongqing.

The Shui On Land China Golf Challenge is being filmed by IMG Media and showcased on Golfing World.

Shui On Land China Golf Challenge 2011 schedule

October 10: Shanghai – Tomson Shanghai Pudong Golf Club

October 11: Zhengzhou – Jinsha Lake Golf Club

October 12: Beijing – Topwin Golf and Country Club & Jade Island International Golf Club

October 13: Dalian – Red Flag Valley

October 14: Chongqing – Sun Kingdom Golf Club

October 15: Dongguan – Long Island Golf and Country Club

October 16: Macau – Caesars Golf Macau

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About Shui On Land China Golf Challenge

The Shui On Land China Golf Challenge will be held from October 10-16, 2011 and feature Lee Westwood, Ian Poulter, Liang Wen-chong and Rory McIlroy. Host venues are Tomson Golf Club (Shanghai); Jinsha Lake Golf Club (Zhengzhou); Topwin Golf and Country Club and Jade Island International Golf Club (both Beijing); Red Flag Valley (Dalian); Sun Kingdom Golf Club (Chongqing), Long Island Golf and Country Club (Dongguan) and Caesars Golf Macau (Macau). Owned by The Great 18 Golf Championships Ltd and managed by Infinite Ideas International, the event will be broadcast on Golfing World and distributed internationally by IMG Media, with communications by Fast Track Hong Kong. Shui On Land is the title sponsor, while other sponsors include Bombardier, Sino Private Aviation, Media Asia Group, Lai Fung Holdings, Titleist, Kent & Curwen, Van Klaren, The Venetian, Audemars Piguet, Scottsdale Golf Group, Churchill Corporate Services and The Wealth Management Group.

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