US takes 3-point lead in Day 1 of Solheim Cup

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WEST DES MOINES, Iowa The favored Americans found themselves trailing Europe after a sluggish start to the Solheim Cup.

The U.S. settled down on Friday afternoon, pulling away with a record-setting fourball perfor-

The United States swept the afternoon fourball matches to take a 5 1/2-2 1/2 lead at Des Moines Golf and Country Club.

Lizette Salas and U.S. newcomer Danielle Kang each won two matches, teaming to beat Carlota Ciganda and Caroline Masson 1 up for the Americans' lone full point in the morning foursomes, then leading the U.S. to its first ever fourball sweep in the afternoon.

"This is the history we really don't want. We want the history on Sunday night. We want the Cup,' U.S. captain Juli Inkster said. "We've got a lot of work (ahead). I know (European captain) Annika (Sorenstam) is going to get that team fired up.

Salas and rookie Angel Yin routed Ciganda and Emily Pedersen 6 and 5, and Kang and Michelle Wie topped Madelene Sagstrom and Jodi Ewart Shadoff

In the other fourball matches, Brittany Lincicome and Brittany Lang beat Masson and Florentyna Parker 3 and 2, and Stacy Lewis and Gerina Piller edged Charley Hull and Georgia Hall 2 and 1



United States' Danielle Kang, right, celebrates with teammate Lizette Salas as they walk off the 10th green during their foursomes match against Europe at the Solheim Cup on Friday in West Des Moines, Iowa.

In the morning foursomes, Americans Cristie Kerr and Lexi Thompson rallied to halve with Hull and Mel Reid. For Europe, Hall and Anna Nordqvist beat Paula Creamer and Austin Ernst 3 and 1, and Karine Icher and Catriona Matthew topped Lewis and Piller 1 up. The U.S. would find a lot more

success in fourball play - dominating so thoroughly that it never trailed in any of the four matches.

Salas and the 18-year-old Yin set the tone for the afternoon. Salas opened with three straight birdies to win those holes, and wins on consecutive par 5s helped the duo end the match in 13 holes.

The 6-and-5 win was the second-largest in Solheim history. "Everything kind of

together," Salas said. Kang's putting was solid to-back birdie putts sealed her and Wie's win after 17 holes. Lincicome and Lang improved

throughout the day - and back-

to 3-0-0 as a four-ball tandem, and Lewis made a short birdie putt on No. 17 to complete the sweep.

"It was beautiful. Never seen anything prettier," Lang said about seeing the leaderboard lit up in the Americans' red color. Thompson, fueled by a surge

of adrenaline provided by the pro-American crowd singing songs and chanting "USA! USA!" drilled her tee shot on the first hole to set up Kerr's 12-foot eagle putt to open the three-day, biennial event.

But the Americans stumbled, and they appeared to be finished after Hull's long birdie chip on No. 16. Thompson birdied the next hole, and Kerr halved the match with another 12-footer on 18 pumping her fist in the air before the ball even dropped in.

"It was pretty much a you-knowwhat sandwich out there," Kerr said. "I'm glad it ended up the way it did.

Nordqvist dealt with a case of mononucleosis this summer. But she and Hall, playing in her first Solheim Cup, cruised to the only point that came easy for the Europeans.

Europe will likely need Nordqvist and Hall's teammates to emulate those performances if it hopes to pull closer to the surging Americans.

"I would say that the spirit is still there, if not stronger," Sorenstam said. "You get a little fired up when you see an afternoon like this. We knew coming in here it was going to be a challenge. And I have fighters on the team, and I believe in them. We're just going to forget about this day. Tomorrow's Saturday. New points. Go out there and grab as many as we can."

After more foursomes and fourballs Saturday, the event will closes with 12 singles matches Sunday.

BRIEFLY

Rookie Erik Jones wins first career pole at Bristol

BRISTOL, Tenn. (AP) - Erik Jones has won the first Cup Series pole of his career with a quick run at Bristol Motor Speedway.

Jones turned a lap at 128.082 mph around the high-banked bullring to take the top starting spot for Saturday night's race. Jones, a rookie who drives

Baseball

for Furniture Row Racing, bumped Kyle Larson from the pole. Larson qualified second

at 128.057 to continue his hot streak. He won Sunday at Michigan where he beat Furniture Row teammates Jones and Martin Truex Jr. on the final restart for his third victory of the year.

Kasey Kahne qualified third and was followed by Hendrick Motorsports teammate Chase Elliott.

Matt Kenseth was fifth,

followed by Truex and Denny Hamlin as Toyota drivers took four of the top seven spots.

share second round

GREENSBORO, N.C. (AP) — Ryan Armour shot a career-best 9-under 61 on Friday for a share of the lead with Webb Simpson after two rounds at the

Wyndham Championship. Armour and Simpson

were at 13-under halfway through the PGA Tour's final event of the regular season. Simpson shot a 64.

Henrik Stenson was a stroke behind them after a 66. Ollie Schniederjans and Vaughn Taylor and were 11. Schniederjans shot 63, Taylor had a 66.

First-round leader Matt Every followed his 61 with a 72 to slip six strokes off the lead.

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61 .504 13½ 61 .496 14½ 69 .434 22 Friday's Games

Chicago Cubs 7, Toronto 4
Baltimore 9, L.A. Angels 7
Boston 9, N.Y. Yankees 6
L.A. Dodgers 8, Detroit 5
Seattle 7, Tampa Bay 1
Chicago White Sox 4, Texas 3 Minnesota 10, Arizona 3 Houston 3, Oakland 1 Cleveland 10, Kansas City 1

Saturday's Games
Toronto (Tepesch 1-2) at Chicago Cubs
(Quintana 7-10), 11:20 a.m. L.A. Dodgers (Ryu 4-6) at Detroit (Fulmer

10-10), 1:05 p.m. Seattle (Miranda 7-6) at Tampa Bay (Odorizzi 6-6), 3:10 p.m. L.A. Angels (Ramirez 10-10) at Baltimore (Gausman 9-8), 4:05 p.m.

(Gausman 9-8), 4-05 p.m. Arizona (Greinke 14-5) at Minnesota (Berrios 10-5), 4:10 p.m. N.Y. Yankees (Sabathia 9-5) at Boston (Sale 14-4), 4:10 p.m. Oakland (Graveman 3-3) at Houston (McHugh 0-2), 4:10 p.m.

Cleveland (Bauer 11-8) at Kansas City Cleveland (Bauer 11-8) at Kansas City (Vargas 14-6), 4:15 p.m. Chicago White Sox (Holland 6-12) at Texas (Perez 7-10), 5:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE **East Division**

East Division				
	W	L Pct	GB	
Washington	73	47 .608	_	
Miami	59	61 .492	14	
Atlanta	54	66 .450	19	
New York	53	67 .442	20	
Philadelphia	43	77 .358	30	
Central Division				
	W	L Pct	GB	
Chicago	64	57 .529	_	
St. Louis	63	59 .516	1 1/2	
Milwaukee	63	60 .512	2	
Pittsburgh	58	64 .475	61/2	
Cincinnati	52	71 .423	13	
West Division				
	W	L Pct	GB	
Los Angeles	86	34 .717	_	
Colorado	68	54 .557	19	
Arizona	67	55 .549	20	

Friday's Games
Chicago Cubs 7, Toronto 4
St. Louis 11, Pittsburgh 10
L.A. Dodgers 8, Detroit 5
Miami 3, N.Y. Mets 1
Cincinnati 5, Atlanta 3
Minnesota 10, Arizona 3
Colorado 8, Milwaukee 4
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Miami (Worley 2-2) at N.Y. Mets (Montero
1-8), 4:10 p.m.

Milwaukee (Woodruff 1-1) at Colorado (Bettis 0-0), 5:10 p.m. Washington (Strasburg 10-3) at San Diego (Wood 2-4), 5:40 p.m. Philadelphia (Eickhoff 3-7) at San Francis-

co (Blach 8-8), 6:05 p.m Wild Card Standings AMERICAN LEAGUE

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61 .504 61 .496 62 .492 64 .484 63 .484 NATIONAL LEAGUE

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North Division **L Pct GB** 10 .565 — Spokane Tri-City x-Vancouver Everett South Division 10 .565

L Pct GB 12 .478 x-Hillsboro 13 .435 13 .435 13 .435 Boise 10 Eugene 10 Salem-Keizer 10 *x-first-half champions*

Friday's Games Spokane 3, Vancouver 2 Salem-Keizer 4, Boise 3 Hillsboro 11, Eugene 1 Tri-City 4, Everett 0 Saturday's Games

Vancouver at Spokane, 6:30 p.m. Hillsboro at Salem-Keizer, 6:35 p.m. Boise at Eugene, 7:05 p.m. Tri-City at Everett, 7:05 p.m. Sunday's Games

Boise at Eugene, 1:05 p.m. Hillsboro at Salem-Keizer, 2:05 p.m. Everett at Vancouver, 5:05 p.m

Spokane at Tri-City, 7:15 p.m LITTLE LEAGUE

Little League World Series
At South Williamsport, Pa.
Games broadcast on ESPN and WatchES-Triday's Games
Tokyo 8, Sydney 0
Rancho Santa Margarita (Calif.) 9, Walla

Walla (Wash.) 0 Seoul 10, Pontezuela (Dominican Republic) 1
Greenville (N.C.) 6, Sioux Falls (S.D.) 0
Saturday's Games
Game 9: Tamaulipas (Mexico) vs. Emilia

(Italy), 10 a.m. Game 10: Jackson (N.J.) vs. Grosse

Game 11: Sydney vs. Pontezuela (Dominican Republic), 3 p.m. Game 12: Walla Walla (Wash.) vs. Sioux Falls (S.D.), 5 p.m Sunday's Games

Game 13: Maracaibo (Venezuela) vs. White Rock (British Columbia), 7 a.m. Game 14: Fairfield (Conn.) vs. Lufkin Game 15: Tokyo vs. Seoul, 10 a.m. Game 16: Rancho Santa Margarita (Calif.) vs. Greenville (N.C.), 11 a.m.

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Portland 2, New York 0
Saturday's Games
Columbus at Orlando City, 4:30 p.m.
Real Salt Lake at Montreal, 4:30 p.m. Toronto FC at Chicago, 5 p.m. FC Dallas at Sporting Kansas City, 5:30 **Armour, Simpson**

lead at Wyndham

D.C. United at Colorado, 6 p.m.

Basketball

Washington Chicago

x-Los Angeles

Phoenix Dallas Seattle

Atlanta

EASTERN CONFERENCE

x-clinched playoff spot

Saturday's Games
Atlanta at Dallas, 5 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Golf

Friday's Games
New York 82, Connecticut 70
Phoenix 89, Washington 79
Indiana 52, Minnesota 111
Seattle 79, San Antonio 78

Phoenix at Connecticut, Noon Minnesota at New York, Noon

Washington at Indiana, 2 p.m.

Seattle at Chicago, 3 p.m

PGA TOUR Wyndham Championship

Friday At Sedgefield Country Club

Greensboro, N.C.

Ryan Armour

Webb Simpson

Henrik Stenson

Vaughn Taylor Ollie Schnieder Hunter Mahan Kevin Na

Davis Love III

Johnson Wagner

Harold Varner III Sam Saunders Shane Lowry Anirban Lahiri

Søren Kjeldsen

Cameron Smith

Russell Knox

Ryan Moore Rick Lamb

Ben Crane Brad Fritsch

Steven Alker

Richy Werenski Jason Dufner Matt Every

Rory Sabbatini Tim Wilkinson

Solheim Cup

West Des Moines, Iowa

United States, 3 and 1

United States 4, Europe 0

Purse: \$5.8 million Yardage: 7.130; Par: 70

Los Angeles 115, Chicago 106, 20T

Houston at Vancouver, 7 p.m. Philadelphia at San Jose, 7:30 p.m.

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LPGA

Friday At Des Moines Golf & Country Club

UNITED STATES 5 1/2, EUROPE 2 1/2

Foursomes (Morning)
Europe 2 1/2, United States 1 1/2
Mel Reid and Charley Hull, Europe, vs

Cristie Kerr and Lexi Thompson, United

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Tennis Western & Southern Open Sunday's Games
New England at New York City FC, 3 p.m.
Minnesota United at Seattle, 7 p.m.

At The Lindner Family Tennis Center Mason, Ohio
Purse: Men, \$4.97 million (Masters 1000);
Women, \$2.54 million (Premier)
Surface: Hard-Outdoor

Singles Third Round roatia, 4-6, 7-6 (6), 6-3. Rafael Nadal (1), Spain, def. Albert Ramos-Vinolas, Spain, 7-6 (1), 6-2.

Quarterfinals Grigor Dimitrov (7), Bulgaria, def. Yuichi Sugita, Japan, 6-2, 6-1.

John Isner (14), United States, def. Jared Donaldson, United States, 7-6 (4), 7-5.

David Ferrer, Spain, def. Dominic Thiem (3), Austria, 6-3, 6-3. Nick Kyrgios, Australia, def. Rafael Nadal (1), Spain, 6-2, 7-5.

Women Third Round

Karolina Pliskova (1), Czech Republic, def. Camila Giorgi, Italy, 6-3, 4-6, 6-0. Julia Goerges, Germany, def. Elina Svitolina (5), Ukraine, 7-5, 6-4. Sloane Stephens, United States, def. Ekaterina Makarova, Russia, 2-6, 6-3, 6-4. Quarterfinals

Quarterrinais Garbine Muguruza (4), Spain, def. Svetla-na Kuznetsova (8), Russia, 6-2, 5-7, 7-5. Karolina Pliskova (1), Czech Republic, def. Caroline Wozniacki (6), Denmark, 6-2, 6-4. Sloane Stephens, United States, def. Julia Goerges, Germany, 6-1, 7-6 (3). Simona Halep (2), Romania, de Konta (7), Britain, 6-4, 7-6 (1). ania, def. Johanna

Football

Preseason Glance

Seaturday's Games
Carolina at Tennessee, 12 p.m.
Kansas City at Cincinnati, 4 p.m.
Indianapolis at Dallas, 4 p.m.
Green Bay at Washington, 4:30 p.m. N.Y. Jets at Detroit, 4:30 p.m. New England at Houston, 5 p.m. L.A. Rams at Oakland, 7 p.m. Denver at San Francisco, 7 p.m. Chicago at Arizona, 7 p.m.

Auto Racing

NASCAR Monster Energy Cup Series Bass Pro Shops NRA Night Race Race Saturday, 4:30 p.m. (TV: NBC) At Bristol Motor Speedway

5. (20) Matt Kenseth, Toyota 6. (78) Martin Truex Jr., Toyota 7. (11) Denny Hamlin, Toyota 7. (11) Denny Hamilin, loyota 8. (22) Joey Logano, Ford 9. (14) Clint Bowyer, Ford 10. (21) Ryan Blaney, Ford 11. (19) Daniel Suarez, Toyota 13. (31) Ryan Newman, Chevrolet 14. (17) Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Ford 15. (37) Chris Buescher, Chevrolet 16. (3) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet 16. (3) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet

Danielle Kang and Lizette Salas, United States, def. Carlota Ciganda and Caroline Masson, Europe, 1 up Anna Nordqvist and Georgia Hall, Europe, def. Paula Creamer and Austin Ernst, Karine Icher and Catriona Matthew Europe, def. Stacy Lewis and Gerina Piller, United States, 1 up Fourball (Afternoon) 28. (43) Aric Almirola, Ford

Michelle Wie and Danielle Kang, United States, def. Madelene Sagstrom and Jodi Ewart Shadoff, Europe, 3 and 1 Angel Yin and Lizette Salas, United States, def. Carlota Ciganda and Emily Pedersen, Europe, 6 and 5 Europe, 6 and 5
Brittany Linicicome and Brittany Lang,
United States, def. Florentyna Parker and
Caroline Masson, Europe, 3 and 2
Stacy Lewis and Gerina Piller, United
States, def. Charley Hull and Georgia Hall, 40. (23) Joey Gase, Toyota Failed to qualify 41. (66) Timmy Hill, Chevrolet Europe, 2 and 1

Friday's Game Seattle 20, Minnesota 13

Sunday's Games Atlanta at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m. New Orleans at L.A. Chargers, 5 p.m.

Starting Lineup
(Car number in parantheses)
1. (77) Erik Jones, Toyota
2. (42) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet
3. (5) Kasey Kahne, Chevrolet
4. (24) Chase Elliott, Chevrolet

16. (3) Austin Dillion, Chevrolet 17. (2) Brad Keselowski, Ford 18. (18) Kyle Busch, Toyota 19. (38) David Ragan, Ford 20. (6) Trevor Bayne, Ford 21. (48) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet 22. (13) Ty Dillon, Chevrolet 23. (47) AJ Allmendinger, Chevrolet 24. (10) Danica Patrick, Ford 25. (41) Kurt Busch, Ford 26. (95) Michael McDowell, Chevrolet 27. (27) Paul Menard, Chevrolet

28. (43) Aric Aumirola, Ford 29. (4) Kevin Harvick, Ford 30. (7) JJ Yeley, Chevrolet 31. (88) Dale Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet 32. (72) Cole Whitt, Chevrolet 33. (34) Landon Cassill, Ford 34. (32) Matt DiBenedetto, Ford 34. (32) Matt Disendentto, Ford 35. (83) Corey LaJoie, Toyota 36. (51) BJ McLeod, Chevrolet 37. (55) Gray Gaulding, Chevrolet 38. (33) Jeffrey Earnhardt, Chevrolet 39. (15) Reed Sorenson, Toyota

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DAWGS: Season starts at Union (WA) on Sept. 1

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to be leaders and leave a legacy. We're focusing on revolving our group around our senior class and it'll take a lot of effort from the juniors and sophomores but it'll be fun."

Faaeteete said that he has right around 100 kids in the program this season, and one thing that stands out to him about the group is a "strong desire to be successful.

"There's a lot of guys that talk about (desire) and there are some great seniors that have been working hard and they know what it takes," Faaeteete said. "They saw it their freshman year what putting it all together looks like (for the

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state title) and they want to do it this year as well, they want to leave a legacy.

Their chance to leave the legacy the Bulldogs desire to starts on Sept. 1 when they travel to Vancouver, Washington to take on Union, a team that beat the Bulldogs 38-27 at Kennison Field last season.

"If we can play together as a team, we'll go farther than we did last year," Gutierrez said. "It's more of an everybody type of team now, not just the 11 guys on the field and that's

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