



Utah Championship presented by Zions Bank

Oakridge Country Club | Farmington, Utah | June 27 – 30, 2019

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Quick Facts

Golf Course: Oakridge Country Club (Par 71, 7,045 yards)

Course Designer: William F. Bell (1956)

Purse: \$725,000 (Winner: \$130,500 / 500 points)

Field Overview (as of June 25)

- 40 Korn Ferry Tour winners with 50 victories
- Eight PGA TOUR winners with 12 victories
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Tournament History

The Utah Championship presented by Zions Bank returns this season for the 28th playing in tournament history. John Daly took home the inaugural Utah Championship title in 1990. Daly went on to claim five PGA TOUR titles including the 1991 PGA Championship and the 1993 Open Championship. Several other players have won in Utah and gone on to experience success on the PGA TOUR. Of the 27 winners of the event, 11 have gone on to win on the PGA TOUR. Zach Johnson, who won the 2003 Utah Championship, won both the 2007 Masters Tournament and 2013 Open Championship. Last year's champion, Cameron Champ, took home his first PGA TOUR title last fall at the Sanderson Farms Championship. Brice Garnett, Patton Kizzire, Brendon Todd, Garrett Willis, Brett Wetterich, Arron Oberholser, Chris Perry and Ted Tryba have all also won in Utah and on the PGA TOUR. Salt Lake City native, Tony Finau, played in the Utah Championship five times throughout his career, and in 2014, he finished solo-fifth en route to earning his PGA TOUR card.

Past Champions

Year	Champion	Scores	To Par	Margin
2018	Cameron Champ	61-64-67-68 – 260	-24	1
2017	Brice Garnett	64-65-69-65 – 263	-21	1
2016	Nicholas Lindheim	67-66-67-69 – 269	-15	2
2015	Patton Kizzire*	67-62-71-69 – 269	-19	Playoff
2014	Andres Gonzales	62-67-65-69 – 263	-21	4
2013	Steven Alker*	71-64-61-66 – 262	-22	Playoff
2012	Doug LeBelle II	64-68-69-68 – 269	-15	1
2011	J.J. Killeen	62-67-68-65 – 262	-22	4

2010	Michael Putnam	66-66-67-67 – 266	-18	3
2009	Josh Teater	65-67-64-68 – 264	-20	4
2008	Brendon Todd	64-66-65-67 – 262	-22	6
2007	Franklin Langham	63-67-66-68 – 264	-20	2
2006	Craig Kanada	69-67-65-71 – 272	-16	1
2005	Garrett Willis	67-71-67-70 – 275	-13	1
2004	Brett Wetterich	67-69-65-71 – 272	-16	1
2003	Zach Johnson	68-69-65-65 – 267	-21	1
2002	Arron Oberholser	71-64-67 – 202	-14	2
2001	David Sutherland	63-64-73-72 – 272	-16	1
2000	Andy Morse	64-66-71-68 – 269	-19	2
1999	Carl Paulson	68-64-65-69 – 266	-22	6
1996	Michael Christie	66-63-67 – 196	-20	4
1995	Glen Hnatiuk*	65-68-70 – 203	-13	Playoff
1994	Chris Perry	69-68-68 – 205	-11	1
1993	Sean Murphy*	68-70-66 – 204	-12	Playoff
1992	Jeff Woodland	67-68-67 – 202	-14	3
1991	Ted Tryba	65-68-69 – 202	-14	1
1990	John Daly	65-69-69 – 203	-13	1

*Playoff Victory

Local Players in the Field

Utah natives Zac Blair and Daniel Summerhays lead the contingent of local players in the field this week. Both Blair and Summerhays attended Brigham Young University and are past champions of the Utah State Amateur. Blair grew up in Salt Lake City, Utah, and graduated from BYU in 2014. He will be playing in his third Utah Championship, and first since 2014. Summerhays, who grew up in Farmington, Utah, will be making his sixth appearance at the Utah Championship where he has made the cut four times. Preston Summerhays, who is the nephew of Daniel, has been awarded a sponsor exemption into the field. Last year, Preston became the youngest player in state history to win the Utah State Amateur at the age of 15. Preston's father and Daniel's brother, Boyd, currently coaches PGA TOUR member Tony Finau and previously played on the Korn Ferry Tour.

Course History

Oakridge Country Club will host the Utah Championship for the third consecutive season this year. The par-71 layout provides players a chance to go low with the past two winners finishing 24- and 21-under, respectively. Cameron Champ set the tournament scoring record of 24-under 260 en route to his first Korn Ferry Tour title last season. Despite surrendering over 2,000 birdies in 2018, the course does provide players with some stern tests. Last season, the 10th hole proved to be one of the toughest holes on Tour. The 517-yard par-4 boasted a scoring average of 4.295 and ranked as the 25th most difficult hole on the Korn Ferry Tour. Prior to hosting the Korn Ferry Tour, Oakridge Country Club hosted both the Utah Open and Utah State Amateur Championship. Past champions of the Utah State Amateur include Zac Blair (2009), Tony Finau (2006) and Daniel Summerhays (2001, 2000). Summerhays' 2000 victory came at Oakridge Country Club.

By the Numbers: Oakridge Country Club

Hardest hole (2018): No. 10 (par 4, 517 yards) – 4.295 average, 109 bogeys, 30 double bogeys

Easiest hole (2018): No. 7 (par 5, 551 yards) – 4.339 average, 25 eagles, 269 birdies

Tournament Record (18 holes): 59 (-12), 2013 – Willy Wilcox – Final Round

Tournament Record (72 holes): 260 (-24), 2018 – Cameron Champ

Top Five to Watch

- **Henrik Norlander** – Norlander survived the only five-man playoff in Korn Ferry Tour history last week. With the win, the 32-year-old secured his return to the PGA TOUR next season.

- **Scottie Scheffler** – Scheffler has proven to be one of the most consistent players on the Korn Ferry Tour this season. He leads all players with eight top-10s in 2019, including a T7 last week in Wichita.
- **Danny Walker** – The rookie earned his first top-10 of the season last week with a solo-sixth place finish in Kansas and is looking to make a climb in The 25.
- **Zac Blair** – The former BYU standout returns to action this week in his home state. Blair is currently ranked 58th in The 25.
- **Doug Ghim** – The rookie earned his third top-10 of the season in Wichita. With two top-10s in his last three starts, Ghim is looking to make his way inside The 25.

Chase for The 25

- A new points system has been put in place to replace the Regular Season money list as the way to earn one of the 25 PGA TOUR cards awarded at the end of the Regular Season in Portland. At the conclusion of the WinCo Foods Portland Open presented by KraftHeinz, the top 25 points earners will earn their PGA TOUR cards. Additionally, the top-75 players in Korn Ferry Tour points (plus ties) will be eligible to play in the Korn Ferry Tour Finals.

Rank	Name	Points
1.	Xinjun Zhang	1,880
2.	Robby Shelton	1,638
3.	Scottie Scheffler	1,600
4.	Lanto Griffin	1,029
5.	Henrik Norlander	991

Season Recap

1. *The Bahamas Great Exuma Classic at Sandals Emerald Bay* – Zecheng “Marty” Dou hit a 50-foot birdie putt on the final hole to slam the door on a potential playoff and earn the first title of the 2019 season. It was the 21-year-old’s first win in nearly a year and a half, and second overall, by two strokes over Steve LeBrun and Ben Kohles. Dou was using a caddie he had met six days prior and a different driver after cracking his early in the week.
2. *The Bahamas Great Abaco Classic at The Abaco Club* – Rafael Campos earned his first career Korn Ferry Tour victory battling windy conditions all week. Campos used a final-round 70 to hold off rookies Vincent Whaley and Paul Imondi who finished in second and third. Players battled the weather all week as gusts of winds hit 38 miles per hour during the final round.
3. *Country Club de Bogotá Championship* – Mark Anderson captured the Country Club de Bogotá Championship for his second career Korn Ferry Tour victory and first title in nearly six years. Anderson held a two-stroke lead entering the final round and ran away from the field with a Sunday 67 to finish at 17-under. This year marked the first time that both the Fundadores and Pacos y Fabios courses were played in the event.
4. *Panamá Championship* – Canadian Michael Gligic carded a final-round 5-under 65 to come from behind for his first Korn Ferry Tour victory. Gligic began the final round T7 and three strokes off the lead, but three straight birdies on Nos. 9-11 vaulted him up the leaderboard before adding birdies at the 14th and 16th to clinch the one-stroke win at 8-under for the week in windy conditions.
5. *LECOM Suncoast Classic* – Mark Hubbard converted a 54-hole lead to win the LECOM Suncoast Classic by two strokes at 26-under 262. Hubbard carded four rounds in the 60s – including a final-round 67 – to outlast Maverick McNealy. The 29-year-old made five birdies on the front nine to make the turn at 5-under 31 during the final round and opened an insurmountable lead.
6. *Chitimacha Louisiana Open presented by MISTRAS* – Vince Covello birdied the final hole in regulation and the third playoff hole to earn his first Korn Ferry Tour title at the Chitimacha Louisiana Open presented by MISTRAS. Covello topped 54-hole leader Justin Lower in the playoff with a birdie after both players made pars on the first two holes.
7. *Savannah Golf Championship* – Dan McCarthy, a 33-year-old Le Moyne College graduate, held off a late charge from Scottie Scheffler to win the second-annual Savannah Golf Championship. McCarthy built a three-stroke lead at one point on the back nine but needed to sink a short par putt at the 18th to win by one.

8. *Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail Championship* – Trailing by a stroke on the 72nd hole of the tournament, Lanto Griffin stuck his approach to five feet before converting a tying birdie and reach a playoff with Robby Shelton at 15-under 273. After both players made pars on the first three holes of the playoff (18-18-9), Griffin stuck it to two feet for a tap-in birdie and his second career Korn Ferry Tour title.
9. *Dormie Network Classic at Briggs Ranch* – Xinjun Zhang dominated the field to earn his first Korn Ferry Tour title at Briggs Ranch Golf by five strokes. The former PGA TOUR member used rounds of 63-64-65-70 to finish 26-under 262 for the week. Zhang led or co-led after every round of the tournament and became the first player of the year to mathematically guarantee a PGA TOUR card next season.
10. *Nashville Golf Open Benefitting the Snedeker Foundation* – Two weeks after falling in a playoff at the Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail Championship, Robby Shelton won with a birdie in a one-hole playoff over Scottie Scheffler to win his first Korn Ferry Tour title. With the win, Shelton jumped to second in the Korn Ferry Tour points list and earned his first PGA TOUR card for next season.
11. *KC Golf Classic* – Michael Gellerman outlasted three final-round weather delays to earn his first Korn Ferry Tour title with an 11-under total at Blue Hills Country Club. Gellerman posted a bogey-free 69 during the final round to top Nelson Ledesma and Harry Higgs by one stroke.
12. *Knoxville Open* – For the second time in three weeks, Robby Shelton came out on top in the state of Tennessee, as the 23-year-old posted a final-round 71 to claim the Knoxville Open title with a 15-under total. Shelton edged out Mark Anderson who finished in solo-second at 14-under.
13. *Evans Scholars Invitational* – Scottie Scheffler rallied from a six-shot deficit to claim his first Korn Ferry Tour title at the Evans Scholars Invitational. Scheffler posted a final-round 9-under 63 to force a playoff and drained a 15-foot birdie putt on the second extra hole to capture his first professional win.
14. *REX Hospital Open* – Sebastian Cappelen entered the final round four strokes off the lead but posted a 7-under 64 on Sunday for his second career victory at the REX Hospital Open. Cappelen bogeyed his first two holes on Sunday, but the Dane tallied seven birdies and an eagle over his next 16 holes to earn the win.
15. *BMW Charity Pro-Am presented by SYNEX Corporation* – Rhein Gibson carded a final-round 8-under 63 for a come-from-behind win at 21-under 193. He posted a bogey-free final round and only collected one bogey (against 20 birdies and an eagle) on the tournament. The tournament was shortened to 54 holes due to inclement weather.
16. *Lincoln Land Championship presented by LRS* – Xinjun Zhang birdied the third hole of a sudden-death playoff to top Dylan Wu for his second victory of the season at the Lincoln Land Championship presented by LRS. Zhang carded a final-round 6-under 65 on Sunday to reach 15-under for the tournament before eventually closing out the win.
17. *Wichita Open Supporting Wichita's Youth* – Henrik Norlander defeated Bryan Bigley on the third playoff hole to take home the Wichita Open Supporting Wichita's Youth. Norlander carded a final-round 4-under 66 before eventually closing out the win by surviving a five-man playoff.

About Korn Ferry Tour

Founded (1990), owned and operated by the PGA TOUR, the Korn Ferry Tour identifies and develops those players who are ready to compete and win on golf's biggest stage. In 2013, the Korn Ferry Tour became The Path to the PGA TOUR with all 50 available PGA TOUR cards coming through the Tour and the season culminating at the Korn Ferry Tour Finals. This season marks the 30th year of competition on the Korn Ferry Tour. Three out of four PGA TOUR members are Korn Ferry Tour alumni. Tour alumni have won more than 500 PGA TOUR titles, including 24 major championships and eight PLAYERS Championships. To learn more about the PGA TOUR, the Korn Ferry Tour and to follow the season-long quest for a PGA TOUR card, visit PGATOUR.COM, or follow the Tour on social media via Instagram (@KornFerryTour), Twitter (@KornFerryTour) and Facebook (facebook.com/KornFerryTour).