



## Pinnacle Bank Championship presented by Aetna

The Club at Indian Creek | Omaha, Nebraska | July 30 – August 2, 2020

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### Quick Facts

**Golf Course:** The Club at Indian Creek (Par 71, 7,581 yards)

**Course Designers:** Black Bird – Frank Hummel (1991) / Gray Hawk – Mark Rathert (1997)  
Lohmann Quitno Golf Course Architects (Renovation, 2009)

**Purse:** \$600,000 (Winner: \$108,000 / 500 points)

### Field Overview (as of July 28)

- 33 Korn Ferry Tour winners with 56 victories
- Four PGA TOUR winners with four victories
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### Tournament History

Last season, Kristoffer Ventura secured his PGA TOUR card after his win at the Pinnacle Bank Championship presented by Aetna. Ventura fired a final-round 1-under 70 that was good enough for a two-stroke victory at 16-under 268. The win was Ventura's second in a four-week stretch after he earned his first Korn Ferry Tour title at the Utah Championship presented by Zions Bank.

Last season, Ventura went from having conditional Korn Ferry Tour status with zero starts to becoming a PGA TOUR member in a matter of only eight weeks. It began with a sponsor exemption into the BMW Charity Pro-Am presented by SYNEX Corporation, where a T3 secured him starts for the remainder of the 2019 season. Three weeks later, he moved inside The 25 after coming out on top in a three-hole playoff at the Utah Championship. The Oklahoma State University product secured his first TOUR card after the win in Omaha.

David Skinns took home the second edition of the Pinnacle Bank Championship in 2018. Skinns birdied his 72<sup>nd</sup> hole to hold off Sungjae Im and take home his first Korn Ferry Tour title. Im would go on to earn Korn Ferry Tour Player of the Year honors and is currently ranked third in the FedExCup standings on the PGA TOUR. After his victory, Skinns jumped from No. 132 to 33 in The 25 but ultimately failed to secure his PGA TOUR card.

In 2017, Sam Ryder took home the inaugural Pinnacle Bank Championship in dominating fashion. Ryder's eight-stroke victory was the largest on Tour since the 2012 Chitimacha Louisiana Open presented by MISTRAS. The Stetson University alum set the 18- and 72-hole tournament records en route to his maiden Korn Ferry Tour victory. Ryder would go on to earn his PGA TOUR card after finishing second in The 25.

The Korn Ferry Tour previously played in Omaha from 1996 to 2013 before returning in 2017. The Pinnacle Bank Championship is the only tournament on the schedule in the state of Nebraska.

**Past Champions**

Year	Champion	Scores	To Par	Margin
2019	Kristoffer Ventura	67-64-67-70 — 268	-16	2
2018	David Skinns	68-66-69-65 — 268	-16	2
2017	Sam Ryder	67-67-62-67 — 263	-21	8

**Course History**

The Club at Indian Creek will host the Pinnacle Bank Championship for the fourth consecutive season. In 2019, the course ranked as the fifth-hardest on the Korn Ferry Tour with the par-4 ninth and the par-4 18<sup>th</sup> ranked inside the top-50 hardest holes on Tour. The ninth hole ranked as the 16<sup>th</sup> most difficult hole on Tour in 2019 and played to an average of 4.302. The 18<sup>th</sup> hole ranked as the 43<sup>rd</sup>-hardest and played to an average of 4.236.

The Club at Indian Creek provides players with birdie opportunities with the previous winners finishing 16- and 21-under. The 27-hole property features three nine-hole courses and was renovated by Lohmann Quinto Golf Course Architects in 2009. In addition to the Korn Ferry Tour, the club hosts the Indian Creek Invitational, one of Nebraska's most prestigious amateur tournaments.

**By the Numbers: The Club at Indian Creek**

**Hardest hole (2019):** No. 9\* (par 4, 478 yards) – 4.302 average, 139 bogeys, 12 double bogeys

**Easiest hole (2019):** No. 15 (par 5, 573 yards) – 4.562 average, 11 eagles, 207 birdies

**Tournament Record (18 holes):** 62 (-9), Sam Ryder (Rd. 3, 2017)

**Tournament Record (72 holes):** 263 (-21), Sam Ryder (2017)

*\*Indicates the hole is in the top 50 toughest on Tour*

**Local Players in the Field**

Omaha native Scott Gutschewski leads the local contingent of players in the field this week. The 43-year-old was born in Omaha and attended the University of Nebraska. In 2017, Gutschewski finished in a tie for second at the inaugural Pinnacle Bank Championship and added a T9 finish last year. So far this season, Gutschewski has made six cuts in nine starts and ranks 58<sup>th</sup> in The 25.

Joining Gutschewski will be McCook, Nebraska, native Brandon Crick. Like Gutschewski, Crick also attended the University of Nebraska before turning professional in 2010. This season, Crick has made eight cuts in 12 starts and finished T10 at the Korn Ferry Challenge at TPC Sawgrass.

Omaha natives and brothers Alex and Carson Schaake will also be in the field this week. Carson, who graduated from the University of Iowa in 2017, will be competing as a professional, while Alex, will compete as an amateur. In 2015, Carson competed in the PGA TOUR's John Deere Classic and will make his tournament debut at Indian Creek. Alex played in the 2018 Pinnacle Bank Championship where he missed the cut.

**Top Five to Watch**

- **Davis Riley** – The 23-year-old enters the week ranked atop The 25 after a T9 finish in Springfield. With a victory this week, Riley would secure a “Battlefield Promotion” to the PGA TOUR.
- **Brandon Wu** – Wu held the 36- and 54-hole leads last week at Highland Springs Country Club before finishing T9. This week will be Wu's second Korn Ferry Tour start of the season.
- **Chad Ramey** – Ramey recorded his second top-five finish of the season with a solo-third at the Price Cutter Charity Championship. The 27-year-old has made 11 cuts in 13 starts this season.
- **Daniel Sutton** – Sutton made waves last week after finishing solo-fourth in his first start in a PGA TOUR-sanctioned event. The Englishman will make his second Korn Ferry Tour start in Omaha this week.
- **Dylan Wu** – Wu rallied to post a final-round 63 at the Price Cutter Charity Championship. The 24-year-old enters the week ranked fifth in The 25 and in search of his first Korn Ferry Tour title.

**Season Recap**

1. *The Bahamas Great Exuma Classic at Sandals Emerald Bay* – Tommy Gainey birdied his final three holes to pull away from the field and earn the first title of the 2019 season. It was the 44-year-old's first win since the 2012 RSM Classic on the PGA TOUR.
2. *The Bahamas Great Abaco Classic at Baha Mar* – Jared Wolfe ran away from the field with birdies on three of his final four holes at The Bahamas Great Abaco Classic at Baha Mar. Wolfe battled windy conditions in the final round to clinch the first Korn Ferry Tour title of his career.
3. *Panamá Championship* – After an eagle on the back nine during his final round, Davis Riley held on to win the Panama Championship by one stroke over Roberto Díaz. The victory was Riley's first on the Korn Ferry Tour and came in just his 21<sup>st</sup> Tour start.
4. *Country Club de Bogota Championship* – Mito Pereira carded a final-round 64 to claim his first Korn Ferry Tour victory at the Country Club de Bogota Championship. Entering the 72<sup>nd</sup> hole tied at the top, Pereira sunk a long eagle putt to clinch the two-stroke victory.
5. *LECOM Suncoast Classic* – Andrew Novak birdied each of his last two holes, including a 10-foot putt at the last, to win the LECOM Suncoast Classic last week by one shot over John Chin. He finished at 23-under 265 at Lakewood National Golf Club in his first career Korn Ferry Tour victory.
6. *El Bosque Mexico Championship by INNOVA* – David Kocher survived a three-man playoff to claim his first Korn Ferry Tour victory. The 23-year-old defeated Paul Barjon and Chad Ramey on the first playoff hole to capture the title at El Bosque Country Club.
7. *Korn Ferry Challenge at TPC Sawgrass* – Three months after beginning competition at THE PLAYERS Championship before the cancellation, Luke List returned to TPC Sawgrass and eventually edged a tight leaderboard at 12-under to win the Korn Ferry Challenge at TPC Sawgrass.
8. *The King & Bear Classic at World Golf Village* – Chris Kirk erased a final-round four-stroke deficit to win The King & Bear Classic at World Golf Village. After taking six months off from golf as he worked through alcohol abuse and depression, Kirk returned to the winner's circle for the first time since 2015.
9. *Utah Championship presented by Zions Bank* – Kyle Jones held off local favorite Daniel Summerhays and Paul Haley II to win the Utah Championship presented by Zions Bank. Jones clinched the win with a birdie on the second playoff hole at Oakridge Country Club.
10. *TPC Colorado Championship at Heron Lakes* – Will Zalatoris broke through with his first professional win with a one-stroke victory at the TPC Colorado Championship at Heron Lakes. A final-round 3-under 69 was enough to hold off Chase Johnson by one stroke and springboard Zalatoris to the top spot on the Korn Ferry Tour points list for the first time in his career.
11. *TPC San Antonio Challenge at the Canyons* – A day after matching Fred Couples' competitive course record (62) on moving day, David Lipsky capped off an incredible week with a final-round 66 to finish four strokes clear of the field at 25-under 263 at the TPC San Antonio Challenge at the Canyons.
12. *TPC San Antonio Championship at the Oaks* – Davis Riley became the first player this season to win twice on Tour with a two-stroke win at the TPC San Antonio Championship at the Oaks. Riley posted a final-round 5-under 67 on Saturday and finished at 16-under for the week to top Paul Barjon and Taylor Pendrith.
13. *Price Cutter Charity Championship presented by Dr Pepper* – Max McGreevy carded a bogey-free, 8-under 64 on Sunday to win the Price Cutter Charity Championship presented by Dr Pepper by one stroke at 21-under 267. McGreevy held off José de Jesús Rodríguez, who finished the week in solo-second at 20-under 268.

**Revised 2020 Korn Ferry Tour Season schedule:**

- June 8-14: Korn Ferry Challenge at TPC Sawgrass, TPC Sawgrass (Dye's Valley), Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida
- June 15-20: The King & Bear Classic at World Golf Village, The King & Bear GC at World Golf Village, St. Augustine, Florida (Saturday finish)
- June 22-28: Utah Championship presented by Zions Bank, Oakridge CC, Farmington, Utah
- June 29-July 5: TPC Colorado Championship at Heron Lakes, TPC Colorado, Berthoud, Colorado
- July 6-12: TPC San Antonio Challenge at the Canyons, TPC San Antonio (Canyons Course), San Antonio, Texas
- July 13-18: TPC San Antonio Championship at the Oaks, TPC San Antonio (Oaks Course), San Antonio, Texas (Saturday finish)

- July 20-26: Price Cutter Charity Championship presented by Dr Pepper, Highland Springs CC, Springfield, Missouri
- July 27-August 2: Pinnacle Bank Championship presented by Aetna, The Club at Indian Creek, Omaha, Nebraska
- August 3-9: WinCo Foods Portland Open presented by KraftHeinz, Pumpkin Ridge GC (Witch Hollow), North Plains, Oregon
- August 10-16: Albertsons Boise Open presented by Kraft Nabisco, Hillcrest CC, Boise, Idaho
- August 17-23: Nationwide Children's Hospital Championship, Ohio State University GC (Scarlet Course), Columbus, Ohio
- August 24-30: Korn Ferry Tour Championship presented by United Leasing & Finance, Victoria National GC, Newburgh, Indiana
- August 31-September 6: Lincoln Land Championship presented by LRS, Panther Creek CC, Springfield, Illinois
- September 7-13 : Evans Scholars Invitational, Chicago Highlands Club, Westchester, Illinois
- September 21-27: Wichita Open Supporting Wichita's Youth, Crestview CC, Wichita, Kansas
- September 28-October 4: Savannah Golf Championship, The Landings Club (Deer Creek), Savannah, Georgia
- October 5-11: Orange County National Championship presented by Knight 39, Orange County Golf Center & Lodge (Panther Lake), Winter Garden, Florida

### **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](http://PGATOUR.COM), or follow the Tour on social media via Instagram (@KornFerryTour), Twitter (@KornFerryTour) and Facebook ([facebook.com/KornFerryTour](https://facebook.com/KornFerryTour)).