



The King & Bear Classic at World Golf Village

The King & Bear Golf Course at World Golf Village | St. Augustine, Florida | June 17-20, 2020

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Quick Facts

Golf Course: The King & Bear Golf Course at World Golf Village (Par 72, 7,279 yards)

Course Designer: Arnold Palmer / Jack Nicklaus (2000)

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

Field Overview (as of June 15)

- 54 Korn Ferry Tour winners with 81 victories
- 15 PGA TOUR winners with 33 victories
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Korn Ferry Tour Returns to Competition

After a hiatus of more than three months due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Korn Ferry Tour returned to competition last week at the Korn Ferry Challenge at TPC Sawgrass in Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida. The tournament – contested without fans on the Dye's Valley Course – marked the seventh event of the Regular Season. Last week's champion, Luke List, will compete on the PGA TOUR this week at the RBC Heritage. Three months removed from shooting an opening-round 70 at THE PLAYERS Championship before the cancellation, List posted a 12-under total – including a final-round 67 – to win by one stroke. Both players that finished runner-up, Joseph Bramlett and Shad Tuten, are in the field this week. The tournament was the first of two straight weeks of Korn Ferry Tour competition in Northeast Florida, with the King & Bear Classic at World Golf Village in St. Augustine slated for June 17-20 (Saturday finish).

The events in Northeast Florida are restarting the Tour's 2020 season, which will now combine with the 2021 season due to the number of tournament cancellations. The newly created 2020-21 Korn Ferry Tour schedule will conclude with 25 PGA TOUR cards awarded at the 2021 WinCo Foods Portland Open presented by KraftHeinz, with an additional 25 cards awarded at the conclusion of the 2021 Korn Ferry Tour Finals.

Local Players in the Field

Local Korn Ferry Tour players in the field include Jared Wolfe, Ben Kohles, Tyson Alexander, Justin Hueber and Luke Guthrie. The event will feature several PGA TOUR winners including Robert Allenby, Sean O'Hair, Chris Kirk, James Hahn, Johnson Wagner and more. Local TOUR members in the field include David Lingmerth, Sam Saunders, Tyler McCumber, Sebastian Cappelen, Chris Baker and Tim Wilkinson. Overall, 15 former TOUR champions are in the field with 33 past victories among them.

Course Information

The Korn Ferry Tour will compete at The King & Bear Golf Course at World Golf Village for the first time, but the course is no stranger to professional golf. The course hosted the Liberty Mutual Legends of Golf on PGA TOUR Champions in 2001 and 2002. It also played host to a match between the course's co-designers, Arnold Palmer and Jack Nicklaus, as a part of Shell's Wonderful World of Golf series in 2001. The King & Bear is the only course in the world designed by both Arnold Palmer and Jack Nicklaus, two of the members of the inaugural World Golf Hall of Fame class in 1974.

The course opened in 2000 as a part of the nearby World Golf Village. The King & Bear joins the Slammer & Squire (named after Sam Snead and Gene Sarazen) as the two golf courses on property.

By the Numbers: The King & Bear Golf Course at World Golf Village

Longest hole: No. 7 (par 5, 573 yards)

Shortest hole: No. 1 (par 3, 163 yards)

Top Five to Watch

- **Will Zalatoris** – Zalatoris led the Korn Ferry Challenge at TPC Sawgrass through 54 holes and was a factor down the stretch before finishing T6. One of the best ball-strikers on Tour, Zalatoris has earned three top-10s in six starts this season. He ranks fifth on Tour in greens in regulation percentage (86 percent).
- **Shad Tuten** – The 27-year-old rookie notched the best finish of his career at Sawgrass, tallying four birdies over his last five holes to rise to T2. The finish moved him from No. 136 on the points list to 22nd.
- **Theo Humphrey** – A week after posting the first top-25 of his Korn Ferry Tour career, Humphrey earned his first top-10 with an eighth-place finish at TPC Sawgrass. Humphrey was an All-American at Vanderbilt University and was named the 2018 SEC Player of the Year.
- **Nick Hardy** – A former standout at the University of Illinois, Hardy got off to a hot start this season with a T3 finish at The Bahamas Great Exuma Classic at Sandals Emerald Bay. He followed that up with several more made cuts before his second top-10 (ninth) last week at the Korn Ferry Challenge at TPC Sawgrass.
- **Sam Saunders** – The Atlantic Beach resident will be playing a familiar course this week at the King & Bear. Saunders was the 34th alternate for the tournament on Sunday afternoon, but gained entry to the tournament after finishing in the top-25 (T14) at TPC Sawgrass. Saunders is the grandson of Arnold Palmer.

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 21st 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 72nd 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.

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