



Utah Championship presented by Zions Bank

Oakridge Country Club | Farmington, Utah | June 25 – 28, 2020

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Quick Facts

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

Course Designer: William F. Bell (1957)

Purse: \$650,000 (Winner: \$117,000 / 500 points)

Field Overview (as of June 23)

- 43 Korn Ferry Tour winners with 63 victories
- Eight PGA TOUR winners with 16 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 two weeks ago 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. 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 contested last week.

The Tour now heads west for the Utah Championship presented by Zions Bank. Next week, the Tour will play the TPC Colorado Championship at Heron Lakes outside Denver. Due to tournament cancellations earlier this year, the 2020 season will now combine with the 2021 season. 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.

Tournament History

The Utah Championship presented by Zions Bank returns this season for the 29th playing in tournament history. Last year, Kristoffer Ventura defeated Joshua Creel on the third playoff hole to win his first Korn Ferry Tour title. Ventura carded a final-round bogey-free 65 before eventually winning with a par on the third extra hole at Oakridge Country Club. Three weeks later, Ventura won again at the Pinnacle Bank Championship and secured his PGA TOUR card.

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 TOUR. Of the 28 winners of the event, 11 have gone on to win on TOUR. Zach Johnson, who won the 2003 Utah Championship, won both the 2007 Masters Tournament and 2013 Open Championship. Cameron Champ, who won the 2018 Utah Championship, took home his first TOUR title at the 2019 Sanderson Farms Championship and won again at the 2020 Safeway Open. 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 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
2019	Kristoffer Ventura*	69-70-66-65 – 270	-14	Playoff
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

This year's field will feature several Utah natives competing at Oakridge Country Club. Daniel and Preston Summerhays lead the contingent of local players in the field this week. Last season, Daniel found himself atop the leaderboard entering the final round and finished the week alone in sixth. Preston Summerhays, who is the nephew of Daniel, has been awarded a sponsor exemption into the field. Last year, he made his tournament debut at the Utah Championship but missed the cut by two strokes after rounds of 73-71. Summerhays is the reigning U.S. Junior Amateur winner and two-time Utah State Amateur defending champion.

Also in the field this week is Ogden, Utah, native Patrick Fishburn. The former Brigham Young University standout will be making his sixth Korn Ferry Tour start of the season this week. The 27-year-old earned the first top-10 of his career earlier this year after finishing T4 at the Country Club de Bogotá Championship.

Amateur Cole Ponich will also be in the field this week after earning a spot through open qualifying on Monday. Ponich recently completed his freshman year at Brigham Young University and resides in Farmington, Utah.

Course History

Oakridge Country Club will host the Utah Championship for the fourth consecutive season. The par-71 layout typically provides players a chance to go low but proved to be a stern test in 2019. Last season, the course played as the ninth-hardest course on Tour with a scoring average of 70.974. In 2019, the 10th hole played as the ninth-hardest hole on Tour. The 517-yard par-4 boasted a scoring average of 4.346 and surrendered only 43 birdies throughout the week. In 2018, Cameron Champ set the tournament scoring record of 24-under 260 on his way to his first Korn Ferry Tour title. 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 (2019): No. 10* (par 4, 517 yards) – 4.346 average, 137 bogeys, 20 double bogeys

Easiest hole (2019): No. 15 (par 5, 547 yards) – 4.396 average, 25 eagles, 244 birdies

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

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

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

Top Five to Watch

- **Vince India** – India followed a T10 at the Korn Ferry Challenge at TPC Sawgrass with a T6 at last week's King & Bear Classic at World Golf Village. The 31-year-old now ranks 38th in The 25.
- **Justin Lower** – Lower had missed four consecutive cuts prior to the Tour's return at the Korn Ferry Challenge at TPC Sawgrass. He followed his top-25 at the Dye's Valley Course with a solo-second finish at last week's King & Bear Classic at World Golf Village.
- **Chad Ramey** – Ramey has made six cuts in eight starts on Tour this season and earned a T2 at the El Bosque Mexico Championship by Innova. After a T6 last week, he ranks 17th in The 25.
- **Davis Riley** – After missing the cut at the Korn Ferry Challenge at TPC Sawgrass, Riley bounced back with a T6 at The King & Bear Classic at World Golf Village. He enters the week ranked second in The 25.
- **Will Zalatoris** – Despite the three-month layoff, Zalatoris has kept his momentum going in 2020. He followed a T6 at the Korn Ferry Challenge at TPC Sawgrass with a T3 at last week's King & Bear Classic at World Golf Village. His four top-10s this season lead the Tour.

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.
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.

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).