



Pre-Tournament Notes – Utah Championship presented by Zions Bank

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Dates: August 5-8, 2021

Where: Farmington, Utah

Course: Oakridge Country Club (71 / 7,045)

Course Designer: William Neff (1956)

Field: 156 players

Defending Champion: Kyle Jones

Purse: \$600,000 (\$108,000/winner)

Format: 72-hole stroke play

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Things to Know

- The Utah Championship presented by Zions Bank is the 19th Korn Ferry Tour tournament of 2021, and the 42nd – and penultimate event – of the 2020-21 combined season
 - 25 PGA TOUR cards will be awarded to the top 25 players in the Korn Ferry Tour's regular season points standings following the conclusion of next week's Pinnacle Bank Championship presented by Aetna in Omaha, Nebraska
- The Utah Championship presented by Zions Bank was on the Korn Ferry Tour's inaugural schedule in 1990, and this year marks the 30th playing of the event (the tournament was not held in 1997 or 1998)
- John Daly won the inaugural title in 1990; he went on to win five PGA TOUR titles, including the 1991 PGA Championship and 1995 The Open Championship
- Zach Johnson won the 2003 Utah Championship presented by Zions Bank and went on to major championship victories at the 2007 Masters Tournament and 2015 The Open Championship
- Cameron Champ, who won the PGA TOUR's most recent event, the 3M Open two weeks ago, is another previous champion of the Utah Championship presented by Zions Bank; he won the 2018 title by a stroke and set tournament records for 72-hole score to par (24-under) and 72-hole total score (260)
- Oakridge Country Club hosts the Utah Championship presented by Zions Bank for the fifth consecutive year
- PGA TOUR LIVE and GOLF Channel will combine for coverage of all four rounds (all times are Eastern)
 - Thursday, August 5
 - PGA TOUR LIVE (NBC Sports Gold and Amazon) – Live Streaming from 5-8 p.m.
 - Friday, August 6
 - GOLF Channel – Round 1 replay from 7-10 a.m.
 - PGA TOUR LIVE (NBC Sports Gold and Amazon) – Live Streaming from 5-8 p.m.
 - GOLFChannel.com and NBC Sports App – Live Streaming from 5-8 p.m.
 - Saturday, August 7
 - GOLF Channel – Round 2 replay from 9 a.m. through 12 p.m.
 - GOLFChannel.com and NBC Sports App – Live Streaming from 5-8 p.m.
 - GOLF Channel – Round 3 tape delay from 9-11 p.m.
 - Sunday, August 8
 - GOLFChannel.com and NBC Sports App – Live streaming from 5-8 p.m.
 - GOLF Channel – Round 4 tape delay from 9-11 p.m.
- Defending champion Kyle Jones is not in the field and currently sits 62nd in the 2020-21 Korn Ferry Tour points standings

Field Notes (as of 8/3/21)

- Field headlined by 13 of the top 25 in the Korn Ferry Tour points standings, led by No. 3 **Chad Ramey** and No. 4 **Taylor Moore**
- Field includes 52 past Korn Ferry Tour winners with 73 total wins, led by **Martin Piller** with six
- Field includes three PGA TOUR winners with three total victories
- 20 winners in the field from the current season: **Tyson Alexander, Hayden Buckley, Roberto Díaz, Brett Drewitt, Tommy Gainey, Harry Hall, Evan Harmeling, David Kocher, Curtis Luck, Max McGreevy, Taylor Moore, Andrew Novak, Chad Ramey, Seth Reeves, Tag Ridings, Austin Smotherman, Curtis Thompson, Peter Uihlein, Brandon Wu, Dylan Wu**

2020 Utah Championship presented by Zions Bank Recap (June 25-28)

Pos.	Player	R1	R2	R3	R4	Total
1	Kyle Jones	64	65	67	68	264 (-20)
T2	Paul Haley II	67	62	67	68	264 (-20)
	Daniel Summerhays	69	65	68	62	264 (-20)
4	Will Zalatoris	66	66	67	66	265 (-19)

- Kyle Jones defeated **Paul Haley II** with a birdie on the second playoff hole of a three-man sudden-death playoff for his first Korn Ferry Tour victory
- Jones and Haley II shared the 36- and 54-hole leads, but both were caught by Daniel Summerhays, who closed with a 9-under 62
- Jones birdied two of the last four holes to match Summerhays' mark of 20-under par, which he posted roughly two hours earlier
- Haley II's T2 was the first of two such finishes this season, with the other coming at the 2021 Simmons Bank Open for the Snedeker Foundation this past May; he currently sits 26th in the 2020-21 Korn Ferry Tour points standings
- Will Zalatoris' solo fourth marked his third consecutive top-five, and he eventually rattled off five consecutive top-fives
- **Dylan Wu** (T5) recorded his third top-five of the season; he would not record another until two weeks ago at the 2021 Price Cutter Charity Championship presented by Dr Pepper, where he won and secured his first PGA TOUR card

Past Champions

Year	Player	R1	R2	R3	R4	Total	Margin
2020	Kyle Jones	64	65	67	68	264 (-20)	Playoff
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 LaBelle 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

Course Information – Oakridge Country Club

- Years Hosted: 2017-present
- Scoring Average (2020): 68.672 / -2.328
- Toughest Hole (2020): No. 10, Par 4, 517 yards – 4.359 / +0.359
- Easiest Hole (2020): No. 15, Par 5, 547 yards – 4.322 / -0.678

Miscellaneous Notes

- **Mark Blakefield** (Salt Lake City native, St. George resident), **Patrick Fishburn** (Ogden native and resident), and **Daniel Summerhays** (Farmington native and resident) have ties to the state of Utah
 - All three also played collegiately at Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah
- Eight qualifiers gained entry into the field at TalonsCove Golf Club Monday, led by co-medalists **Rowin Caron** and **T.K. Kim**, who shot matching 11-under 61s
 - Kim, a native of Seoul, South Korea, played collegiately at Boise State University
- Monday qualifier **Rhett Rasmussen** played collegiately at Brigham Young University and is a native of Draper, Utah

Last time on Tour – Price Cutter Charity Championship presented by Dr Pepper (July 22-25)

Pos.	Player	R1	R2	R3	R4	Total
1	Dylan Wu	68	65	63	65	261 (-27)
2	Taylor Moore	69	67	65	62	263 (-25)
3	Taylor Dickson	64	71	66	64	265 (-23)
T4	Alex Kang	66	65	65	70	266 (-22)
	Austin Smotherman	66	66	66	68	266 (-22)

- Highland Springs Country Club hosted the Price Cutter Charity Championship presented by Dr Pepper in Springfield, Missouri two weeks ago
- **Dylan Wu** earned his first career victory and secured his first PGA TOUR card, as he crossed the 1,650-point threshold the Korn Ferry Tour is currently using as its fail-safe number for players to finish inside the top 25 of the 2020-21 Korn Ferry Tour points standings
- Wu did not make a single bogey in the final three rounds and finished with a streak of 57 consecutive holes without a bogey
- Wu vaulted from 31st to 14th in the Korn Ferry Tour points standings with the win
- Prior to the win, Wu's last top-10 was 364 days ago at the 2020 Price Cutter Charity Championship presented by Dr Pepper
- Wu's winning score, a 27-under 261, tied the 72-hole tournament scoring record originally set by Doug LaBelle II in 2006

- **Taylor Moore** opened his back nine with six consecutive birdies and made another at the 18th to thrust himself into contention for a second straight win before he settled for solo second
- **Taylor Dickson's** solo third was his second such finish of the season and moved him up to 75th in the Korn Ferry Tour points standings, putting him on the bubble for a Korn Ferry Tour Finals berth
- **Austin Smotherman's** T4, his second top-five in his last five starts, took him from 26th to 25th in the Korn Ferry Tour points standings
- **Max McGreevy** (T19) surpassed the 1,650-point threshold the Korn Ferry Tour is currently using as its fail-safe number for players to finish inside the top 25 of the 2020-21 Korn Ferry Tour points standings and earn a PGA TOUR card; he will compete as a rookie on TOUR beginning this fall

Korn Ferry Tour 2020-21 Season

With the Korn Ferry Tour forming a combined 2020-21 season due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the 2021 Utah Championship presented by Zions Bank will be the 42nd tournament (of 43) of the 2020-21 regular season.

Twenty-five PGA TOUR cards will be awarded to the top-25 players in the Korn Ferry Tour standings following the conclusion of the regular season at next week's Pinnacle Bank Championship presented by Aetna (Aug. 12-15). Additionally, 25 PGA TOUR cards will be awarded through the three-event Korn Ferry Tour Finals at the conclusion of the 2021 Korn Ferry Tour Championship presented by United Leasing & Finance (Sept. 2-5).

With two events remaining in the regular season, the Korn Ferry Tour is currently using the 1,650-point threshold as its fail-safe number for players to finish inside the top 25.

Current Korn Ferry Tour Standings

Position	Player	Points	Wins	Top-10s	Points Behind
1	Stephan Jaeger	2,678	2	10	--
2	Mito Pereira	2,556	3	9	122
3	Chad Ramey	2,349	1	9	329
4	Taylor Moore	2,271	1	11	407
5	Taylor Pendrith	2,110	--	8	568
6	Greyson Sigg	2,105	1	9	573
7	Davis Riley	1,950	2	7	728
8	Will Zalatoris	1,876	1	10	802
9	Lee Hodges	1,851	1	8	827
10	Adam Svensson	1,821	1	7	857
11	David Lipsky	1,782	1	6	895
12	Brandon Wu	1,730	1	7	948
13	Paul Barjon	1,729	1	6	949
14	Dylan Wu	1,675	1	6	1,003
15	Max McGreevy	1,667	1	6	1,011
16	Cameron Young	1,642	2	5	1,036
17	Andrew Novak	1,612	1	9	1,066
18	Jared Wolfe	1,610	2	6	1,068
19	Nick Hardy	1,579	--	10	1,099
20	Seth Reeves	1,551	1	4	1,127
21	Ben Kohles	1,490	--	6	1,188
22	Curtis Thompson	1,452	1	4	1,226
23	Brett Drewitt	1,443	1	7	1,235
24	Roberto Diaz	1,404	1	5	1,274
25	Austin Smotherman	1,377	1	5	1,301
TOP 25 EARN PGA TOUR CARD AT CONCLUSION OF REGULAR SEASON					
26	Paul Haley II	1,350	--	6	1,328

27	Justin Lower	1,326	--	3	1,352
28	Erik Barnes	1,257	--	4	1,421
29	Taylor Montgomery	1,214	--	4	1,464
30	Peter Uihlein	1,204	1	4	1,474
31	Carl Yuan	1,185	--	6	1,593