

Final-Round Notes – Sunday, June 20, 2021

Course Setup: Par 70 / 6,910 yards

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Leaderboard

Pos.	Name	Scores
1	Harry Hall	64-63-66-67—260 (-20)
2	Curtis Thompson	64-67-65-65—261 (-19)
T3	Brett Drewitt	69-65-62-66—262 (-18)
	Ollie Schniederjans	67-64-65-66—262 (-18)
T5	Four Tied	263 (-17)

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Harry Hall holds on for first career win at Wichita Open Benefitting KU Wichita Pediatrics

WICHITA, Kan. – Harry Hall gave his dad quite the early birthday present Sunday. Hall's father will celebrate his birthday Monday, but the two can bask in the radiance of his son's first Korn Ferry Tour victory on Father's Day. Making his 22nd career start, Hall held off late charges by several players and won the Wichita Open Benefitting KU Wichita Pediatrics by a stroke with a 20-under 260.

"I just can't wait to speak to my family," said Hall, who hasn't seen his parents in 18 months. "This is awesome. I'm actually supposed to be going home after Maine next week to try to qualify for the Open (Championship). I'm going to go home and can't wait to share the moment with them. I wish they were here. To be honest, mom and dad have never actually watched me play a professional event in America. Dad has only watched me play once in America for the last six years. I can't wait for them to come over the first chance they get."

The 23-year-old Englishman's final-round 3-under 67 was enough to finish one shot ahead of Curtis Thompson, who left a birdie putt roughly three feet short at the par-4 18th. At the time Thompson's putt to reach 20-under came up short, he was two shots behind Hall.

Hall, a Korn Ferry Tour rookie, opened the day with four consecutive birdies to reach 21-under par, but brought a litany of players back into contention with bogeys at Nos. 6 and 10. Birdies at the par-5 14th and par-4 16th put Hall back in the driver's seat, though by that time 2016 Wichita Open champion Ollie Schniederjans moved within a stroke of his lead.

As Hall bogeyed the par-3 17th and lost the outright lead, Schniederjans sliced his drive out of bounds on the 18th and made double bogey. While Hall focused on the next shot, his caddie kept an eye on the chaos which transpired on the leaderboards.

"Ben (his caddie) did a great job... so I knew where I was all day," said Hall, whose previous career-high finish on Tour was a T2 at the 2020 Memorial Health Championship presented by LRS. "That was big,

because I remember when I came second last year, I was leading coming down the last hole and I had no idea where I was. That would've influenced how I approached the green. This time, I knew, and I hit the shots I needed to."

Hall piped his drive down the 18th fairway, knocked his approach to 40 feet and two-putted for the win. It was Hall's first victory of any kind since October 2018, when he won the Little Rock Invitational as a senior at University of Nevada-Las Vegas.

"I've actually never been a winner, to be honest," said Hall, a two-time medalist and 2019 Mountain West Conference Player of the Year at UNLV. "I've always been a consistent top-10er, even throughout college. To get a win is fantastic, especially at this level. It's pretty hard to do."

Hall, who wore a black and gold outfit in honor of his home county, Cornwall, England, began the 2020-21 season with conditional status. And Hall's first start was not until the Korn Ferry Tour returned from the COVID-19 pandemic hiatus at the Korn Ferry Challenge at TPC Sawgrass in mid-June. He earned a spot in the field via a 4-for-3 playoff at the event's Monday qualifier.

Roughly a year after that Monday qualifier kickstarted Hall's professional career, Sunday's victory takes him from 83rd to 36th in the 2020-21 Korn Ferry Tour points standings. Instead of battling for a spot in the Korn Ferry Tour Finals down the closing stretch of the regular season, Hall can now contend for a PGA TOUR card.

Hall isn't getting that far ahead, though.

"My goal is to survive tonight and tee it up Thursday, and hit that next tee shot."

Sunday Notes

- **Chad Ramey** (T13 / -14) accrued enough points this week to eclipse the 1,700-point threshold the Korn Ferry Tour is currently using as its fail-safe number for players to finish the season inside the top 25 of the 2020-21 Korn Ferry Tour points standings; he will be a PGA TOUR rookie this fall, and he is the 10th player to cross the threshold
- Entering this week, Hall had not finished higher than T41 since a T28 at the Club Car Championship at The Landings Club this past March
- Hall's victory marks his fourth career top-10, with the previous three coming in his final five starts of the 2020 calendar year
- **Curtis Thompson** (2nd / -19) posted his first top-20 since a T16 at the 2021 Club Car Championship at The Landings Club this past March, and his first top-five since winning the 2020 Evans Scholars Invitational presented by First Midwest Bank last September
- **Brett Drewitt** (T3 / -18) finished inside the top 65 for the first time since a T3 finish at the 2021 Veritex Bank Championship this past April
- **Ollie Schniederjans** (T3 / -18) recorded his second top-five in his last three starts
- **Kevin Yu** (T5 / -17), who finished No. 4 in the inaugural PGA TOUR University class and held the solo 54-hole lead, posted a top-five finish in his second start as a professional; he was T20 at last week's BMW Charity Pro-Am presented by SYNEX Corporation
- Two of the other top-five players from the inaugural PGA TOUR University class in this week's field recorded top-40 finishes: No. 3 **Austin Eckroat** (T13 / -14), No. 5 **Garett Reband** (T34 / -10)

- Eckroat finished solo seventh at last week's BMW Charity Pro-Am presented by SYNnex Corporation
- **Quade Cummins** (T50 / -8) led the two Monday qualifiers who survived the 36-hole cut; he finished No. 6 in the inaugural PGA TOUR University Ranking List and has Forme Tour status
- Defending champion **Jared Wolfe** finished T41 at 9-under par; he was bidding to become the first player in the 32-year history of the Korn Ferry Tour to successfully defended his title
- **Steve Lewton** (T13 / -14) carded the lowest round Sunday, a 7-under 63, ducking under his previous career-low score on the Korn Ferry Tour by three strokes
- Four bogey-free rounds were recorded in the final round – **Brett Drewitt** (66), **Chad Ramey** (65), **Augusto Núñez** (66), **Carl Yuan** (66)
- Weather: Partly cloudy and hot, high of 99 degrees, wind SSW at 10-15 mph (gusts up to 22 mph)
- This week's purse is \$600,000 with \$108,000 going to the champion, **Harry Hall**; he will also receive 500 Korn Ferry Tour points
- The Wichita Open Benefitting KU Wichita Pediatrics is one of the four original tournaments from 1990 still on the Korn Ferry Tour schedule, and this year marked the 32nd playing of the event, with Crestview Country Club hosting annually since 2001
- The Wichita Open Benefitting KU Wichita Pediatrics was the 14th event of 2021 and the 37th of the 2020-21 combined season
- The combined 2020-21 Korn Ferry Tour schedule will conclude with 25 PGA TOUR cards awarded in August at the 2021 Pinnacle Bank Championship presented by Aetna, with an additional 25 cards awarded at the conclusion of the 2021 Korn Ferry Tour Finals

Final-Round Course Statistics

- **Toughest Hole** – No. 18, Par 4, 487 yards (4.315 – three birdies, 19 bogeys, three double bogeys or worse)
- **Easiest Hole** – No. 11, Par 4, 339 yards (3.452 – two eagles, 42 birdies, six bogeys)
- **Scoring Average (Front 9)** – 34.274
- **Scoring Average (Back 9)** – 33.890
- **Scoring Average (Total)** – 68.164

Cumulative Course Statistics

- **Toughest Hole** – No. 6, Par 4, 495 yards (4.263 – 41 birdies, 112 bogeys, 22 double bogeys or worse)
- **Easiest Hole** – No. 14, Par 5, 501 yards (4.473 – 23 eagles, 235 birdies, 35 bogeys or worse)
- **Scoring Average (Front 9)** – 34.328
- **Scoring Average (Back 9)** – 33.994
- **Scoring Average (Total)** – 68.322