

Second-Round Notes – Friday, May 20, 2022

Course Setup: Blue Hills Country Club (Par 72 / 7,364 yards)

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Leaderboard

Pos.	Name	Scores
1	Trevor Cone	65-67—132 (-12)
2	Michael Feagles	65-69—134 (-10)
T3	Kevin Roy	68-67—135 (-9)
	Kyle Westmoreland	68-67—135 (-9)
T5	Three tied	136 (-8)

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Trevor Cone takes outright 36-hole lead at AdventHealth Championship

KANSAS CITY, Missouri – Trevor Cone sits alone atop the leaderboard heading into the weekend at the AdventHealth Championship following a second-round 5-under 67 Friday afternoon. It marks the first 36-hole lead for Cone in his Korn Ferry Tour career, as well as his first outright lead following any round since 2018.

Cone, making his 83rd career start on the Korn Ferry Tour this week, held a share of the 18-hole lead with MJ Daffue and Michael Feagles Thursday evening, as all three carded 7-under 65s in the first round. Cone, a native North Carolinian, pulled away from the pack in the second round with six birdies and an eagle, though he also made three bogeys. Cone leads the field with 15 total birdies (14 birdies, one eagle) this week.

“Today was kind of a blur,” Cone said. “A lot of good and then I kind of scrambled on the backside there the last few holes. It’s nice to be back in contention for the first time in a while. Hopefully keep it going the next few rounds.”

Cone’s momentum from the first round carried over to Friday as he recorded an eagle-birdie-birdie start on Nos. 1-3. Two bogeys front at the fourth and seventh, along with another birdie at the par-3 eighth put him 3-under par at the turn. The 29-year-old started the back nine in nearly identical fashion, tallying a trio of birdies at Nos. 10-12. His final six holes consisted of five pars and a bogey at the par-3 14th.

“I just kept making putts on the back,” Cone said. “I wasn't hitting it super close. The start, I just hit two really good shots into No. 1 and then made a 20-footer to get the day started. That's always nice. Then had a tap-in on No. 2 and hit a bomb on No. 3. It kind of settled the nerves a little bit.”

A Virginia Tech alum who plays from Concord, North Carolina, Cone has four consecutive rounds in the 60s at this event, as he carded a 3-under 68 and 4-under 67 in the final two rounds of the 2021 AdventHealth Championship. Cone finished T15 in this event last year, one of two top-10s for he recorded in the 2020-21 season.

The last time that Cone held a solo lead in a Korn Ferry Tour event was in his rookie season at the 2018 Ellie Mae Classic at TPC Stonebrae, where he earned the only victory of his career. In what was just his eighth start on Tour, Cone logged rounds of 64-63-66-64 and carried the outright lead into the final round. He finished at 23-under 257, winning by four strokes over runner-up Josh Teater.

Since his victory in 2018, Cone has played in 74 Korn Ferry Tour events, logging just one top-10 finish, a T9 at the 2020 Astara Golf Championship presented by Mastercard. Heading into this weekend as the leader, Cone couldn't help but reflect on the last time he was in this position.

“Even today, I kind of started to think back to those time,” Cone said of his 2018 win. “I just had a motto that week, especially on the weekend - it was one hole, one step, one breath at a time. So just trying to take it shot for shot and hit a lot of fairways and a lot of greens.”

In nine starts this year, Cone's best finish was a T45 in the season-opening The Bahamas Great Exuma Classic at Sandals Emerald Bay. Prior to joining the Korn Ferry Tour for the 2018 season, Cone spent the 2016 and 2017 seasons competing on PGA TOUR Canada, where he made 23 starts and posted up 11 top 25s.

Third-round tee times will from 10:00 a.m. through 12:06 p.m. local time off the first and 10th tees.

Second-Round Notes

- The 36-hole cut was made at even par with 78 players making it through to the weekend
- **Michael Feagles** (2nd / -10) is making his 13th career start on the Korn Ferry Tour and in search of his first top-20 finish; Feagles held a share of the 18-hole entering Friday, his first lead or co-lead of any kind
- **Sam Stevens** (T5 / -8), who plays from Wichita, Kansas, has four top-25 finishes this season and is in search of his first top-10
 - Stevens won the 2015 Kansas Amateur Championship and finished second in 2013, 2014, and 2017; he became the third generation of his family to win the Kansas Amateur, as his father, Charlie, won in 2010, and his grandfather, Johnny, won in 1960 and 1961.
- **Kevin Roy** (T3 / -9) and **Kyle Westmoreland** (T3 / -9) sit inside the top five after 36 holes played, the first time for each player this season
- **MJ Daffue** (T5 / -8) carded a 1-under 71 Friday after co-leading after 18 holes; Daffue has now made the cut in 11-of-12 starts this season
- **Ryan McCormick** (T19 / -6) had the round of the day, finishing with a 6-under 66
- There were five bogey-free scorecards in the second round, including one by **Brandon Crick** (T8 / -7) who is searching for his first top-10 finish of the season
- **Erik Barnes** (T27 / -3) remains the only player on the Korn Ferry Tour to make every cut this season

- Sponsor exemption **Andy Spencer** (T64 / E) is in his sixth career Korn Ferry Tour start and made the cut for the first time; he is a Kansas City native and University of Kansas alum who plays mainly on PGA TOUR Latinoamérica
- The AdventHealth Championship is the 13th of 23 regular season events on the 26-event 2022 Korn Ferry Tour schedule; the first set of 25 PGA TOUR cards will be awarded at the regular season finale, the Pinnacle Bank Championship presented by Aetna (August 11-14), and an additional 25 TOUR cards will be awarded following the three-event Korn Ferry Tour Finals, which conclude with the Korn Ferry Tour Championship presented by United Leasing & Finance (September 1-4)
- This week's purse is \$750,000, with \$135,000 going to the champion; the champion will also receive 500 Korn Ferry Tour points
 - All 2022 Korn Ferry Tour regular season events feature a minimum purse of \$750,000, a 25 percent increase from last season, and will boast minimum purses of \$1 million in 2023 for a [total increase of 66.7 percent](#) from 2021 to 2022