

Final-Round Notes – Sunday, May 29, 2022

Course Setup: The Glen Club (Par 71 / 7,257 yards)

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Leaderboard

Pos.	Name	Scores
1	Harry Hall *	65-67-65-65—262 (-22)
2	Nick Hardy	64-68-65-65—262 (-22)
T3	Jimmy Stanger	66-67-67-65—265 (-19)
T3	Christopher Petefish	65-66-68-66—265 (-19)

* - won with birdie on third playoff hole, the par-3 17th

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Harry Hall wins NV5 Invitational presented by Old National Bank with three playoff birdies

GLENVIEW, Illinois – After birdies on five of the last seven holes in regulation, Englishman Harry Hall made three birdies in a row in a three-hole sudden-death playoff and defeated Northbrook, Illinois native Nick Hardy to win the NV5 Invitational presented by Old National Bank. It marked the second career Korn Ferry Tour win for Hall, who previously won the 2021 Wichita Open Benefitting KU Wichita Pediatrics last June.

Hall entered the day in a three-way tie for the lead at 16-under par with Hardy and Korn Ferry Tour rookie Davis Thompson. While Thompson carded a 2-under 69 Sunday, Hall and Hardy turned in matching bogey-free 6-under 65s and finished three strokes clear of the field.

Hall finished No. 40 on the 2020-21 Korn Ferry Tour Regular Season Points List, but entered the week without a single top-10 in 12 starts this season.

“This year has been a little bit stale as far as performances and outcomes, but I played some good golf this week,” Hall said. “And to birdie all three of the playoff holes – I think I shot 30 on the back, too – some of the best golf I’ve ever played. Hit some great putts. I think my best is good enough to beat anybody.”

Hall made just one birdie through the first 11 holes of the final round, a three at the par-4 seventh. The 24-year-old resident of Las Vegas, Nevada then proceeded to birdie five of the final seven holes of regulation (Nos. 12, 13, 15, 16, 18), including the 563-yard par-5 18th for the outright lead. Playing in the penultimate pairing, Hall watched as Hardy two-putted No. 18 for a playoff-forcing birdie.

The two birdied No. 18 another two times for the first two holes of the sudden-death playoff, after which Hall and Hardy carted to the 152-yard par-3 17th. Hall played first and stuck a wedge shot 10 feet

from the hole. Hardy's tee shot landed on the front side of the green, but it spun back into the greenside fringe. Hardy chipped within feet of the pin and could only watch as Hall buried his 10-footer.

"When I holed that putt on No. 17 to win, I was so in the zone and didn't really think about anything else other than just playing golf and hitting shots," Hall said. "It was more focused on breathing. That's kind of all I tried to do the last three hours is do my little breathing routine and execute the shots that I'm trying to hit. I got so in depth in doing that, that it was just another golf shot."

Hall is in his second season on the Korn Ferry Tour, and last season almost never got off the ground. A T114 finish at Final Stage of the 2019 Korn Ferry Tour Qualifying Tournament left Hall buried on the priority ranking for what became the 2020-21 season. Hall's first start came in mid-June at the 2020 Korn Ferry Challenge at TPC Sawgrass, the seventh event of the season, after he survived a 4-for-3 playoff in the Monday qualifier. Two weeks later, Hall Monday qualified into the Utah Championship presented by Zions Bank, finished T36 and shuffled up the priority ranking three events later.

A T2 at the 2020 Memorial Health Championship presented by LRS ensured Hall would play the rest of the season. One year and six days after the Monday qualifier which led to his first start, Hall won the 2021 Wichita Open Benefitting KU Wichita Pediatrics.

"I think since Wichita and the end of last season I tried to get so much better and working on my game a lot... that's helped, but it's kind of got me further away from what I did really well," Hall said. "I figured that out and came here this week with a very similar style of game (as Wichita). That's the most important thing for me now, figuring out why I do certain things and keep doing it."

Following his win Sunday, the University of Las Vegas-Nevada alum admitted this week's title was more difficult to take hold of than his first.

"Playing a playoff for starters," Hall said. "But just the fact I had to play three holes against a great player in Nick, in front of his home crowd, that wasn't easy. But I dealt with it well and played some good golf."

With the win, Hall earned 500 points and rose from 94th to 17th on the Korn Ferry Tour Regular Season Points List. Even with the odds of a PGA TOUR card at season's end significantly increased, Hall soaked in the moment, not wanting to look too far down the road.

"I think no matter the outcome today, I was grateful to be playing in the (penultimate) group," Hall said. "I was grateful for my life off the course, and whatever happened today I was in a good mindset to come off the golf course and still be me, and to play next week and still hit that first tee shot next Thursday."

The 2022 Korn Ferry Tour season continues Thursday, June 2, with the first round of the REX Hospital Open in Raleigh, North Carolina.

Final-Round Notes

- Sunday's final round featured the fourth playoff in 14 events this season, while another seven tournaments have been decided by one stroke
- Sunday's three-hole playoff was the second three-hole playoff of the season, with the other coming at the inaugural Lake Charles Championship (Trevor Werbylo defeated Seonghyeon Kim)
- **Harry Hall** (1st / -22) becomes the third 54-hole leader/co-leader in 14 events this season who went on to win

- Hall's three bogeys across the 72 holes of regulation this week were the fewest in the field
- At 24 years, 9 months, and 23 days old, Hall is the third-youngest winner on the Korn Ferry Tour this season, only behind Akshay Bhatia (19 years, 11 months, 19 days) and Trevor Werbylo (23 years, 9 months, 24 days)
- Hall is the fourth winner this season and third consecutive winner who previously won a Korn Ferry Tour event
- Northbrook, Illinois native and University of Illinois alum **Nick Hardy** (2nd / -22) posted a career-high finish in his 53rd Korn Ferry Tour start; his previous career-high finish was a T3 at the 2020 The Bahamas Great Abaco Classic at Baha Mar
- Sponsor exemption **Dylan Meyer** (T23 / -11), a three-time All-American at University of Illinois, bounced back from a 3-over par front nine with a 4-under 31 on the back nine and posted his first top-25 in 22 career Korn Ferry Tour starts; he earned a spot in next week's field via the top-25
- While a season-high four Monday qualifiers made the cut, only Lake Forest High School graduate **Ryan Linton** (T23 / -11) finished inside the top 25 and secured a spot in next week's field; he birdied four of his final seven holes, including the par-5 18th
 - Linton played collegiately at University of Southern California from 2005 through 2009 and made his third career Korn Ferry Tour start this week, with the previous two coming in 2012; he played predominantly on mini-tours after two seasons (2016, 2017) with PGA TOUR Canada membership
- **Austin Eckroat** (T23 / -11), who has conditional status from a T50 at Final Stage of the 2021 Korn Ferry Tour Qualifying Tournament last November, top-25'd for a second consecutive week and earned a spot in next week's field; he Monday qualified into last week's AdventHealth Championship, where he also finished T23 for a spot in this week's field
 - Eckroat finished No. 3 in the inaugural PGA TOUR University presented by Velocity Global Class of 2021 out of Oklahoma State University and made three starts last season, highlighted by two top-25s, including a solo seventh at the 2021 BMW Charity Pro-Am presented by TD SYNEX
- Chicago native and Highwood resident **Patrick Flavin** (T32 / -9), a sponsor exemption this week, Deerfield native and Chicago resident **Vince India** (T32 / -9), and Monday qualifier **David Perkins** (T32 / -9), an Illinois State University alum and East Peoria native, all finished two strokes outside the top 25
- **Jimmy Stanger** (T3 / -19) recorded the fourth top-three finish of his career and second of the season; he previously finished T2 at The Panama Championship back in February
- **Christopher Petefish** (T3 / -19), who held the outright 36-hole lead, recorded a career-high finish in his ninth Korn Ferry Tour start; his previous career-high finish was T24 two weeks ago at the Visit Knoxville Open, which he Monday qualified into
- **Davis Thompson** (T5 / -18) and **Mac Meissner** (T5 / -18), a pair of Korn Ferry Tour rookies and members of the inaugural PGA TOUR University presented by Velocity Global Class of 2021, both recorded career-high finishes
- **Spencer Ralston** (T5 / -18) posted his second top-10 in his last four starts; he finished T9 at the Huntsville Championship earlier this month
- The NV5 Invitational presented by Old National Bank was the 14th 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 was \$750,000, with \$135,000 going to the champion, **Harry Hall**; he also earned 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

Cumulative Course Statistics

- Scoring Average (Total - Par 71): 69.381 [-1.619]
- Scoring Average (Front Nine – Par 36): 35.287 [-0.713]
- Scoring Average (Back Nine – Par 35): 34.094 [-0.906]
- Toughest Hole: No. 14, Par 4, 440 yards – 4.212 [+0.212]
- Easiest Hole: No. 18, Par 5, 559 yards – 4.579 [-0.421]