

Pre-Tournament Notes – Compliance Solutions Championship

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Dates: June 22-25, 2023

Where: Norman, Oklahoma

Host Course: Jimmie Austin Golf Club at the University of Oklahoma (Par 72 / 7,487 yards)

Designer: Perry Maxwell (1951)

Format: 72-hole stroke play

Field: 156 players

Purse: \$1,000,000 (\$180,000/winner)

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- [Tournament Media Site](#) (for tee times, transcripts, media hub access)
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Things to Know

- The inaugural Compliance Solutions Championship is the 15th tournament of the Korn Ferry Tour's 26-event schedule
- The Compliance Solutions Championship was announced in August 2022, with Compliance Solutions agreeing to a five-year partnership as the title sponsor of the tournament
- Jimmie Austin Golf Club at the University of Oklahoma, a Perry Maxwell design (1951) renovated in 2017 by Tripp Davis, a member of the 1989 University of Oklahoma national title-winning team, has hosted a number of marquee amateur and collegiate events through the years, most notably the 1997 Oklahoma State Amateur, 2009 U.S. Amateur Public Links Championship, 2013 U.S. Women's Amateur Public Links Championship, and more than a handful of NCAA Regional Championships, most recently the men's regional in 2023
- Korn Ferry Tour members in the field with ties to the state of Oklahoma include **Quade Cummins** (Weatherford native, Edmond resident), **Joshua Creel** (Edmond resident), **Kevin Dougherty** (Stillwater resident), **Rhein Gibson** (Edmond resident), **Michael Gellerman** (Edmond resident), **Chris Gotterup** (Edmond resident), **Brendon Jelley** (Tulsa native), **Logan McAllister** (Oklahoma City native, Edmond resident), **Logan McCracken** (Oklahoma City native, Tulsa resident), **Bo Van Pelt** (Tulsa resident)
- Additional players in the field with ties to the state of Oklahoma include Stillwater resident Zach Bauchou (qualified via top-25 as sponsor exemption last week), sponsor exemption Charlie Saxon, and open qualifier Hayden Wood (Edmond native and resident)
- 18 players in the field played collegiately in the state of Oklahoma:
 - University of Oklahoma (8): Cummins, **Martin Flores**, Gellerman, Gotterup, **Grant Hirschman**, McCallister, **Patrick Welch**, Saxon
 - Oklahoma State University (6): Bauchou, Dougherty, Jelley, Van Pelt, **Kris Ventura**, Wood
 - Oklahoma Christian University (1): Gibson
 - Oral Roberts University (1): Brandon Hoff
 - University of Central Oklahoma (1): Creel
 - University of Tulsa (1): McCracken
- Four players with Oklahoma ties currently sit inside the top 50 on the 2023 Korn Ferry Tour Points List: Gibson (No. 13), McCallister (No. 18), Dougherty (No. 20), and Gotterup (No. 41)
- **Ricky Castillo** followed fellow PGA TOUR University Class of 2023 alum Adrien Dumont de Chassart as the second consecutive player to win their Korn Ferry Tour debut at last week's Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Kansas Wichita Open
 - Castillo, who finished No. 9 in the 2023 PGA TOUR University Ranking, earned fully exempt status for the remainder of the 2023 Korn Ferry Tour season with last week's win, in addition to

upending Dumont de Chassart's bid to become the second player in Korn Ferry Tour history to win their first two starts on Tour

- Dumont de Chassart, who finished No. 3 in the 2023 PGA TOUR University Ranking to earn Korn Ferry Tour membership for the remainder of the season, won his Korn Ferry Tour and professional debut two weeks ago at BMW Charity Pro-Am presented by TD SYNEX

Field Notes (as of 6/20/2023)

- 47 of top 50 players on 2023 Korn Ferry Tour Points List headline this week's field
- 10 champions from the first 14 events of the 2023 season are in this week's field:
 - **Ben Kohles** (two wins), **Ricky Castillo**, **Pierceson Coody**, **Jorge Fernández Valdés**, **Rhein Gibson**, **Rico Hoey**, **Spencer Levin**, **Grayson Murray**, **Chandler Phillips**, **Ben Silverman**
- Field includes 44 Korn Ferry Tour winners with 62 total victories, led by current Korn Ferry Tour Points List leader **Ben Kohles** with four
- Field includes nine PGA TOUR winners with 19 total victories, led by **Heath Slocum** with four
- Field includes four players currently inside top 200 of the Official World Golf Ranking: **Pierceson Coody** (No. 149), **Rico Hoey** (No. 152), **Ben Kohles** (No. 188), **Alejandro Tosti** (No. 198)

PGA TOUR University Class of 2023

- Seven of the top 10 finishers from the 2023 PGA TOUR University Ranking are in the field this week:
 - No. 2 **Fred Biondi** (Florida) – won individual and team national titles at 2023 NCAA Championship
 - No. 4 **Ross Steelman** (Georgia Tech) – individual and team runner-up at 2023 NCAA Championship
 - No. 6 **William Mouw** (Pepperdine)
 - No. 7 **Ryan Burnett** (North Carolina)
 - No. 8 **Patrick Welch** (Oklahoma)
 - No. 9 **Ricky Castillo** (Florida) – *won professional and Korn Ferry Tour debut last week*
 - No. 10 **Yuxin Lin** (Florida)
- Castillo and Steelman made their professional and Korn Ferry Tour debut last week, while Lin is making his professional and Korn Ferry Tour debut this week
- The top five finishers from the 2023 PGA TOUR University Ranking earned fully exempt status on the Korn Ferry Tour through the 2023 Korn Ferry Tour Finals (which grants entry to its field based off the Korn Ferry Tour Points List), as well as an exemption to Final Stage of 2023 PGA TOUR Q-School presented by Korn Ferry – where the top five finishers and ties earn PGA TOUR cards – and the ability to accept unlimited PGA TOUR sponsor exemptions for the remainder of 2023 and 2024
- Finishers Nos. 6-10 from the 2023 PGA TOUR University Ranking earned conditional status for the remainder of the 2023 Korn Ferry Tour season, as well as fully exempt status for the 2023 PGA TOUR Canada season, an exemption to Second Stage of 2023 PGA TOUR Q-School presented by Korn Ferry, and exempt status through the Latin America Swing of the 2024 PGA TOUR Americas season
- For all events prior to the Korn Ferry Tour Finals, the PGA TOUR University category on the Korn Ferry Tour Priority Ranking will be filled by five players to a floor of the No. 10 finisher from the 2023 PGA TOUR University Priority Ranking
 - *Example:* No. 3 Adrien Dumont de Chassart and No. 9 Ricky Castillo now play out of the Tournament Winners category, meaning their places in the PGA TOUR University category will be filled by No. 6 William Mouw and No. 7 Ryan Burnett, respectively
 - *Additional Example:* If No. 2 Fred Biondi records a top-25, he plays the next tournament out of the "Top-25 Previous Event" category, meaning his place in the PGA TOUR University category would be filled by No. 8 Patrick Welch (since Nos. 6 and 7 will already be in field via previous example)

2023 Korn Ferry Tour Season

- A number of changes to the Korn Ferry Tour [announced this past June](#) will be implemented for the first time this season, with the most notable changes being:
 - **Increase from 25 to 30 PGA TOUR cards** annually awarded via the Korn Ferry Tour Points List
 - Reimagining of the Korn Ferry Tour Finals

- **Previous Finals System:** Three-event competition for 25 PGA TOUR cards between the top 75 from the Korn Ferry Tour Points List and Nos. 126-200 on the FedExCup standings
- **2023 and Beyond Finals System:** Final four events of the season where members will compete for increased purses and points (600 points for winning one of the four Finals events, compared to 500 for winning one of the 22 preceding events) to determine the season-long points race, in addition to a progressive reduction in field sizes
 - Albertsons Boise Open presented by Chevron (August 24-27) – 156 players
 - Simmons Bank Open for the Snedeker Foundation (September 14-17) – 144 players
 - Nationwide Children’s Hospital Championship (September 21-24) – 120 players
 - Korn Ferry Tour Championship presented by United Leasing & Finance (October 5-8) – 75 players [no cut]
- **One season-long Korn Ferry Tour Points List** as opposed to separate points lists for the regular season and Korn Ferry Tour Finals
- **Purses increasing** to \$1.5 million for the four Korn Ferry Tour Finals events and \$1 million for the 22 preceding events, with the \$28 million season purse representing the highest single-season total in Korn Ferry Tour history

Last Week on Tour – Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Kansas Wichita Open Benefitting KU Wichita Pediatrics Recap (June 15-18)

Pos.	Player	R1	R2	R3	R4	Total
1	Ricky Castillo	67	62	66	66	261 (-19)
T2	Adrien Dumont de Chassart	64	64	63	70	261 (-19)
	Kyle Jones	62	66	67	66	261 (-19)
T4	Zach Bauchou	66	69	64	63	262 (-18)
	Alejandro Tosti	70	65	67	60	262 (-18)
	Parker Coody	69	66	64	63	262 (-18)

- **Ricky Castillo** made par on the first hole of a sudden-death playoff to defeat Korn Ferry Tour winners Adrien Dumont de Chassart and Kyle Jones to win his professional and Korn Ferry Tour debut
- Castillo, the No. 9 finisher in the 2023 PGA TOUR University Ranking, became the fifth PGA TOUR University alum to win on the Korn Ferry Tour, as well as the 19th player in history to win their Korn Ferry Tour debut
- At 22 years old, Castillo is the youngest winner on the Korn Ferry Tour this season and the third-youngest winner since the start of the 2019 season
- Dumont de Chassart was bidding to join **Ben Kohles** (2012) as the only other player in Korn Ferry Tour history to win his first two starts; he became the fourth player in Tour history to win his debut start and follow it with a runner-up finish in his second start
- Jones recorded his third career runner-up finish on Tour and his highest finish since winning the 2020 Utah Championship presented by Zions Bank
- **Alejandro Tosti** tied the course and 18-hole tournament scoring records with a final-round 10-under 60, marking the third-lowest round on Tour this season; he also tied his career-high finish on Tour and logged his fifth top-10 of the season
- **Parker Coody** logged a career-high finish and his second top-10 in his last four starts
- Conditional members **Jay Card III** (T7), **Billy Tom Sargent** (T12), **Patrick Welch** (T12), **Willie Mack III** (T23), and **William Mouw** (T23) played their way into this week’s field with top-25s