



2023 Korn Ferry Tour Championsip presented by United Leasing & Finance (26th of 26 events on 2023 Korn Ferry Tour Schedule)

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Newburgh, Indiana October 5-8, 2023 Points: 600 (winner)

Victoria National Golf Club Par / Yards: 72 / 7,265 Purse: \$1,500,000 / \$270,000 (winner)

### Final-Round Notes - Sunday, October 8, 2023

#### **Final Leaderboard**

 Paul Barjon
 72-70-64-68—274 (-14)

 Fabián Gómez
 73-67-70-67—277 (-11)

 Joe Highsmith
 73-70-69-66—278 (-10)

 Mac Meissner
 71-71-64-74—280 (-8)

 Josh Teater
 71-71-64-74—280 (-8)

### **Charting the Champion (stats updated through tournament)**

Category	Paul Barjon
Age	31 (September 19, 1992)
2023 Korn Ferry Tour Points List	No. 8
Korn Ferry Tour Starts – Wins – Top-10s (2023)	22-2-3
Korn Ferry Tour Starts – Wins – Top-10s (Career)	81-3-12
Starts – Wins – Top-10s at Korn Ferry Tour Championship	3-1-1

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#### Meet the 30 newest PGA TOUR members, 2023 Korn Ferry Tour graduates

**NEWBURGH, Indiana** – The 2023 Korn Ferry Tour season concluded Sunday afternoon at the Korn Ferry Tour Championship presented by United Leasing & Finance, as 30 PGA TOUR cards were awarded in a ceremony on No. 18 green at Victoria National Golf Club.

The top 30 players on the Korn Ferry Tour Points List earned PGA TOUR cards for the 2024 season, which, for the latest group of Korn Ferry Tour graduates, begins in January at the Sony Open in Hawaii.

Five players who began the week of the season-ending Korn Ferry Tour Championship outside of the top 30 on the Korn Ferry Tour Points List played their way into the top 30, with Korn Ferry Tour Championship winner Paul Barjon headlining the group, rising from No. 45 to No. 8 with his second win of the season. The other four players who moved into the top 30 were Mac Meissner (No. 35 to No. 20), Wilson Furr (No. 32 to No. 24), Josh Teater (No. 34 to No. 26), and Roger Sloan (No. 31 to No. 29).

Ben Kohles led the 2023 Korn Ferry Tour Points List for the vast majority of the season and finished atop the standings; he was just over 300 points clear of No. 2 Chan Kim. By virtue of finishing atop the Korn Ferry Tour Points List, Kohles earns exemptions for the 2024 PLAYERS Championship and 2024 U.S. Open, in addition to being fully exempt for the 2024 PGA TOUR season.

Some key numbers to know about the Korn Ferry Tour Class of 2023:

- 18 Players who will be PGA TOUR rookies for the 2024 season (Jacob Bridgeman, Parker Coody, Pierceson Coody, Kevin Dougherty, Adrien Dumont de Chassart, Patrick Fishburn, Wilson Furr, Max Greyserman, Joe Highsmith, Rico Hoey, Jake Knapp, Ryan McCormick, Mac Meissner, Chandler Phillips, Jimmy Stanger, Alejandro Tosti, Tom Whitney, Norman Xiong)
- 2 Additional players who will be a first-time PGA TOUR member (Chris Gotterup, Chan Kim)
- **7** Countries and territories represented (Argentina, Belgium, Canada, England, France, Puerto Rico, United States)
- 7 PGA TOUR University alums earned their first PGA TOUR card (Jacob Bridgeman, Parker Coody, Pierceson Coody, Adrien Dumont de Chassart, Chris Gotterup, Joe Highsmith, Mac Meissner)
- 1 Pair of fraternal twins earning their first PGA TOUR cards (Parker and Pierceson Coody, who will join Allan and Curtis Strange as the only other twins to simultaneously hold PGA TOUR membership, with the Stranges accomplishing the feat in 1981)

Below is a look at each member the Korn Ferry Tour Class of 2023, with the graduates listed in order of their finish on the 2023 Korn Ferry Tour Points List. Follow this link for additional #TOURBound editorial content.

#### No. 1 - Ben Kohles

A 33-year-old four-time Korn Ferry Tour winner earning PGA TOUR membership for the second time in three seasons and third time in his career (previously graduated 2012, 2020-21). Finishes No. 1 on the 2023 Korn Ferry Tour Points List with two wins which came 28 days apart in April – Astara Chile Classic, HomeTown Lenders Championship. First victory this season in Chile ended a winless drought of 10 years, 7 months, and 28 days. Played four seasons at University of Virginia (2008-12), setting a school record for career wins (seven) and twice earning Atlantic Coast Conference Player of the Year recognition (2010 – co-winner with Brooks Koepka – and 2011). Turned professional in 2012 and became the first player (and remains the only player) in Korn Ferry Tour history to win his first two starts, as he won back-to-back weeks at the 2012 Nationwide Children's Hospital Championship and Cox Classic. Born in and resided in Dallas, Texas until age 10, when the Kohles family moved to Cary, North Carolina. Now resides in Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida, where he plays and practices out of TPC Sawgrass.

# No. 2 – Chan Kim

A 33-year-old globetrotter with 10 victories worldwide who earned PGA TOUR membership for the first time via wins in back-to-back events in August, capturing titles at the inaugural Magnit Championship and Albertsons Boise Open presented by Chevron. In his win at the Albertsons Boise Open, became the first player in Korn Ferry Tour history to win an event without making a single bogey, in addition to becoming the 12th player (13th occurrence) to win back-to-back events. Born in South Korea but grew up in Honolulu, Hawaii. Turned professional in 2010 after two years at Arizona State University, and played predominantly on the Japan Golf Tour from 2015 through the end of 2022, winning eight times on the circuit and winning its 2020-21 Order of Merit. Travels with a gaming PC and is rumored to be an elite Call of Duty player.

# No. 3 – Alejandro Tosti

A 27-year-old native of Rosario, Argentina who earned his first PGA TOUR card off the strength of a win at the Pinnacle Bank Championship presented by Aetna. As a Korn Ferry Tour rookie this season, amassed 10 top-10s, tied for the most on Tour. Won twice in four seasons on PGA TOUR *Latinoamérica*, including an April 2022 victory which propelled him to a No. 5 finish on the 2021-22 Order of Merit and Korn Ferry Tour membership. Played four seasons at University of Florida (2014-18), winning four times individually, with the crown jewel

being medalist honors at the 2017 Southeastern Conference Championship. Loves to cook and considers Argentine empanadas to be his specialty.

### No. 4 – Rico Hoey

A 28-year-old University of Southern California alum who won the Visit Knoxville Open en route to his first PGA TOUR card. Entered 2023 with four top-10s in 72 career starts on the Korn Ferry Tour and totaled seven top-10s in 25 starts this season. Born in the Philippines but raised in Rancho Cucamonga, California, where he and his two older sisters (Kay and Simone) grew up playing Goose Creek Golf Club, a parkland-style public course in nearby Mira Loma. Won the 2012 Callaway Junior World Golf Championships (Boys 15-17 Division) at Torrey Pines over runner-up Beau Hossler. Finished second to University of Oregon's Aaron Wise at the 2016 NCAA Championship.

### No. 5 - Ben Silverman

A 35-year-old native of Ontario, Canada returning to the PGA TOUR for the first time since consecutive seasons on TOUR in 2017-18 and 2018-19. Missed the cut by three strokes at Second Stage of the Korn Ferry Tour Qualifying Tournament in October 2022, leaving him with conditional status in the "Past Champion 5-10 Years" category from his only previous Korn Ferry Tour win in 2017. Awarded a sponsor exemption for The Bahamas Great Abaco Classic at The Abaco Club, the second event of the season, and won in a playoff for fully exempt status. Added runner-up finishes at the HomeTown Lenders Championship in April, and Price Cutter Charity Championship presented by Dr Pepper in July. Has an intense dedication to maintaining elite fitness and mental performance, believing those are two areas which will allow him to accomplish his ultimate goal of winning on the PGA TOUR.

### No. 6 - Pierceson Coody

A 23-year-old third-generation professional golfer and three-time Korn Ferry Tour winner. Won twice this season – first at The Panama Championship in February, and again at the Price Cutter Charity Championship presented by Dr Pepper in July – en route to his first PGA TOUR card. Finished No. 1 in the 2022 PGA TOUR University Ranking after four seasons at the University of Texas, immediately accepted Korn Ferry Tour membership (via PGA TOUR University performance benefits) and won his third career start in June 2022. While at Texas, reached No. 1 in the World Amateur Golf Ranking. Grandfather is Charles Coody, a three-time PGA TOUR winner and 1971 Masters Tournament champion. Father, Kyle Coody, played at Texas and made two PGA TOUR starts (1988 Southwest Golf Classic, 1996 Valero Texas Open). Younger than fraternal twin brother, Parker, by 37 minutes.

### No. 7 - Grayson Murray

A 30-year-old PGA TOUR winner (2017 Barbasol Championship) who improved his TOUR status for 2024. Split time between the PGA TOUR and Korn Ferry Tour this season, winning twice in 13 starts on the Korn Ferry Tour. Victories came at the AdventHealth Championship in May, and the Simmons Bank Open for the Snedeker Foundation in September amid the Korn Ferry Tour Finals.

## No. 8 – Paul Barjon

A 31-year-old native of Bordeaux, France returning to the PGA TOUR after a win at the season-ending Korn Ferry Tour Championship, which catapulted him into the top 10 on the Korn Ferry Tour Points List after beginning the finale at No. 45. Also won the Memorial Health Championship presented by LRS earlier in the year, making him one of five multi-time winners on Tour this season. Previously won the 2021 HomeTown Lenders Championship, propelling him to a No. 15 finish on the 2020-21 Korn Ferry Tour Points List and his first PGA TOUR card. Also a three-time winner on PGA TOUR Canada, winning once in 2016 and twice in 2019, with his multi-win season leading to a No. 1 finish on the circuit's 2019 Order of Merit. Played four seasons at Texas Christian University (2012-16), where he won three times individually and earned a 2016 All-America Third Team selection. Grew up in Dumbea, New Caledonia, a French territory in the Pacific. Enjoys working on his yard and grilling – especially ribeye steaks – at his home in Fort Worth, Texas.

A 28-year-old native of Short Hills, New Jersey earning his first PGA TOUR card off the strength of runner-up finishes at The Ascendant presented by Blue and Pinnacle Bank Championship presented by Aetna. Played four consecutive seasons on the Korn Ferry Tour, with his best finish on the Points List prior to this year being No. 46 in the 2020-21 combined season. Turned professional in 2017 after four seasons at Duke University. Previously made golf headlines for being a Rory McIlroy lookalike, with the two playing a Monday practice round together at the 2017 U.S. Open. Shares a goldendoodle, Lily, with his wife, Alyssa. Aspires to own and care for a lot of dogs. Spent a year (2018) living in Las Vegas with Wyndham Clark, a Korn Ferry Tour rookie who went on to earn his PGA TOUR card for 2019.

### No. 10 - Chandler Phillips

An instant contender for best mustache on the PGA TOUR earning his first TOUR card off the strength of a season-opening win at The Bahamas Great Exuma Classic at Sandals Emerald Bay. The 26-year-old Texas A&M University alum added a T2 at the Price Cutter Charity Championship presented by Dr Pepper. Turned professional in 2019 after four seasons at Texas A&M, where he amassed a school-record seven career wins and posted the three lowest single-season scoring averages in program history (70.18 as a senior, 70.85 as a junior, 71.15 as a sophomore). Shared a rental home with three-time PGA TOUR winner Cameron Champ for just under three years at Texas A&M. Member of the star-studded 2017 Arnold Palmer Cup team, and has a poster autographed by every member of the team. Born and raised in Huntsville, Texas, less than a half hour away from Sam Bennett's hometown of Madisonville. In alliance with his impeccable mustache, *Tombstone* is far and away his favorite movie of all time.

### No. 11 - Adrien Dumont de Chassart

A 23-year-old Belgian who joined the Korn Ferry Tour in June via a No. 3 finish in the 2023 PGA TOUR University Ranking and quickly locked up PGA TOUR membership. Won his professional and Korn Ferry Tour debut at BMW Charity Pro-Am presented by TD SYNNEX, and lost in a playoff the following week at the Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Kansas Wichita Open. Recorded top-10s in each of his first six Korn Ferry Tour starts, tying a Tour record for consecutive top-10s previously established by Doug Martin (1993), Tom Gillis (2009), and John Mallinger (2011). Second Belgian to graduate via the Korn Ferry Tour (Thomas Detry/2022 Korn Ferry Tour Finals). Played five seasons at University of Illinois (2018-23), earning three consecutive Big Ten Conference Player of the Year awards (2021 through 2023) and winning four collegiate events, including medalist honors at the 2019 Big Ten Championship. Played competitive tennis until roughly age 13 and remains a huge fan of the sport.

## No. 12 - David Skinns

A 41-year-old native of Lincoln, England and University of Tennessee alum returning to the PGA TOUR for the second time in the last three seasons. Earned his third career Korn Ferry Tour win in March at the Club Car Championship at The Landings Golf & Athletic Club, where his wife and three sons were on hand for the emotional victory. Previously won the 2018 and 2021 Pinnacle Bank Championship presented by Aetna, with the latter securing his first PGA TOUR card. Returned to the Korn Ferry Tour for the 2023 season following a No. 197 finish in the 2021-22 FedExCup standings. Enjoys grilling on his Big Green Egg and volunteering as a coach for his sons' little league baseball teams.

### No. 13 – Jake Knapp

A 29-year-old UCLA alum earning his first PGA TOUR card with 10 top-10s, tied for the most on the Korn Ferry Tour this season. Also a three-time winner on PGA TOUR Canada (twice in 2019, once in 2022), a circuit he played for five seasons (2016-19, 2022) and twice earned Korn Ferry Tour membership through, finishing No. 3 on the 2019 Order of Merit, and No. 2 on the 2022 Order of Merit. Raised and continues to reside in Costa Mesa, California. Played three and a half seasons at UCLA (2012-15) and turned professional in January 2016. Hobbies outside of golf are video games and working out, in addition to saying he would pursue a career in the fitness industry if he did not play golf.

## No. 14 - Jacob Bridgeman

A 23-year-old native South Carolinian who grew up a Clemson University fan. Finished No. 2 in the 2022 PGA TOUR University Ranking after four seasons at Clemson, where he tied the school record for career wins (five),

with the crown jewel being medalist honors at the 2022 Atlantic Coast Conference Championship. Grew up in Inman, South Carolina (less than 15 miles northwest of Spartanburg) and took lessons from Tommy Biershenk, who held PGA TOUR membership in 2012 and made 147 career starts on the Korn Ferry Tour from 1999 through 2013. Earned first PGA TOUR card with six top-10s this season.

### No. 15 – Jimmy Stanger

A 28-year-old native of Tampa, Florida earning his first PGA TOUR card off the strength of his first career Korn Ferry Tour win at the Compliance Solutions Championship. Played five consecutive seasons on the Korn Ferry Tour, finishing No. 78 in the 2018 standings, followed by finishes of No. 41 (2019), No. 50 (2020-21), and No. 40 (2022) on the Korn Ferry Tour Points List. Played four seasons at University of Virginia (2013-17), winning three individual titles, including medalist honors at the 2017 Atlantic Coast Conference Championship. Worked full-time internships for the Federal Reserve Board of Governors in Washington, D.C. (2015), and Raymond James Financial (2016). Grew up attending the PGA TOUR's Valspar Championship just outside his hometown of Tampa, working the range and serving as a standard bearer at the event. Started Birdies for Hope in 2020 in an effort to build churches and hope centers in third-world countries around the world.

### No. 16 - Norman Xiong

A 24-year-old native of Tamuning, Guam and First Tee - San Diego alum earning his first PGA TOUR card, making him the fifth First Tee alum to earn TOUR membership (Taylor Montgomery, 2022; Austin Smotherman, 2021; Cameron Champ, 2017; Scott Langley, 2013). In a span of 482 days (15 months, 25 days as of Sunday, October 8, 2023), went from not having status on any PGA TOUR-sanctioned circuit, to a two-time Korn Ferry Tour winner and PGA TOUR member. Won the 2022 Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Kansas Wichita Open as a Monday qualifier to regain Korn Ferry Tour membership for the first time since 2019, and won the 2023 Nationwide Children's Hospital Championship to clinch his first TOUR card. Played a season and a half at University of Oregon (2017-18), earning the 2017 NCAA Division I Freshman of the Year award, and winning six times as a sophomore en route to earning the 2018 Fred Haskins and Jack Nicklaus Awards. At age 5, finished runner-up to Sahith Theegala in the 6-and-Under Division of the 2004 World Junior Golf Championship at Torrey Pines. Grew up primarily in San Diego, California; now resides in Las Vegas.

## No. 17 - Nicholas Lindheim

A 38-year-old PGA TOUR member and three-time Korn Ferry Tour winner who won The Ascendant presented by Blue for his first victory since 2017. Tallied five top-10s in just eight Korn Ferry Tour starts this season. Earned PGA TOUR membership for the 2022-23 season via the 2022 Korn Ferry Tour Finals and made two starts on TOUR in October 2022, but sustained a back injury and would not return to action until March 2023. Set to play the 2024 PGA TOUR season from the Korn Ferry Tour graduates category.

## No. 18 – Joe Highsmith

A 23-year-old native of Lakewood, Washington earning his first PGA TOUR card with back-to-back top-three finishes (T2/Nationwide Children's Hospital Championship; T3/Korn Ferry Tour Championship) to close out his rookie season. Finished No. 10 in the 2022 PGA TOUR University Ranking after four seasons at Pepperdine University (2018-22), where was a three-time All-West Coast Conference First Team selection and went 3-0 in match play as the Waves won the 2021 NCAA Championship. Lost in a playoff in his debut start on PGA TOUR Canada in June 2022, playing the circuit via PGA TOUR University performance benefits and eventually finishing No. 9 on the Order of Merit. Played piano for 12 years and is a developing chess player. Claims he is better a pickleball than he is at golf. His home course in Lakewood – Tacoma Country & Golf Club – was where the Putnam brothers (Andrew and Michael) honed their games prior to reaching the PGA TOUR.

### No. 19 – Patrick Fishburn

A 31-year-old native of Ogden, Utah earning his first PGA TOUR card after three consecutive seasons on the Korn Ferry Tour. Previous finishes on the Korn Ferry Tour Points List were No. 71 as a rookie in 2020-21, and No. 49 in 2022. Played four seasons at Brigham Young University (2011-12 season, 2015-18 seasons), and served as a missionary for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Nashville, Tennessee for two years between his freshman and sophomore seasons. Prepped at Fremont High School in Utah, where he was the starting point

guard for the varsity basketball team and earned All-State recognition in 2011. Became the first player to receive a grant from the Tony Finau Foundation in June 2019.

### No. 20 - Mac Meissner

A 24-year-old Dallas, Texas resident earning his first PGA TOUR card via a trio of podium finishes, including a T3 at the season-ending Korn Ferry Tour Championship to earn TOUR membership. Also carded one of three sub-60 rounds on the Korn Ferry Tour this season (and one of 10 in Tour history), posting a 12-under 59 at the LECOM Suncoast Classic back in April. Finished No. 8 in the inaugural PGA TOUR University Class of 2021 after four seasons at Southern Methodist University (2017-21), where he won twice, including medalist honors at the 2019 American Athletic Conference Championship. Joined PGA TOUR Canada in June 2021 via PGA TOUR University performance benefits and won his third start on the circuit, eventually finishing No. 5 on the Order of Merit for Korn Ferry Tour membership. Finished No. 46 on the Korn Ferry Tour Points List as a rookie to play this season with fully exempt status.

## No. 21 – Tom Whitney

A 34-year-old United States Air Force veteran earning his first PGA TOUR card with six tops-10s this season, including a T2 at the Club Car Championship at The Landings Golf & Athletic Club. Played golf for four seasons at the United States Air Force Academy (2006-10) and, after graduation in 2010, fulfilled a four-year term on active duty in the U.S. Air Force. Served as a nuclear missile operator assigned to Francis E. Warren Air Base in Cheyenne, Wyoming. Initially turned professional in 2010 but did not play professional golf full-time until May 2014, when he won an eGolf Tour event in Palm Springs, California a week after leaving the Air Force. Joins current PGA TOUR rookie and Korn Ferry Tour Class of 2022 graduate Kyle Westmoreland as the second Air Force Academy graduate in history to earn TOUR membership. Native of South Lake Tahoe, California who grew up primarily in La Quinta. Now plays out of Dallas, Texas.

## No. 22 – Kevin Dougherty

A 32-year-old native of Murrieta, California earning his first PGA TOUR card after five consecutive seasons on the Korn Ferry Tour. Previous finishes in the Korn Ferry Tour standings were No. 26 in 2018 (when only 25 TOUR cards were awarded), No. 33 in 2019, No. 74 in 2020-21, and No. 42 in 2022. Played five seasons at Oklahoma State University (2009-14), joining the program as a preferred walk-on and eventually becoming a consistent player in the Cowboys' lineup his final two seasons. Close friends with fellow Murrieta native and Oklahoma State alum Rickie Fowler. Incredibly dedicated to nutrition and personal fitness, and cooks all his own meals on the road, with a favorite being coconut rice topped with ground bison and a vegetable. Featured on <a href="Chasing #TOURBound">Chasing #TOURBound</a> on YouTube.

### No. 23 – Chris Gotterup

A 24-year-old New Jerseyan earning his first PGA TOUR card after 20 made cuts and 14 top-25s in 24 starts as a Korn Ferry Tour rookie this season. Already has two career top-10s on the PGA TOUR, as he finished T7 at the 2022 Puerto Rico Open as an amateur, and T4 at the 2022 John Deere Classic after turning professional. Finished No. 7 in the 2022 PGA TOUR University Ranking after four seasons at Rutgers University (2017-21) and a season at University of Oklahoma (2021-22). Won the 2022 Fred Haskins and Jack Nicklaus Awards in his lone season at Oklahoma. Played lacrosse for 12 years prior to focusing on golf. Featured cast member of *One Shot Away*, the Korn Ferry Tour's season-long, six-episode documentary series available on YouTube.

### No. 24 - Wilson Furr

A 25-year-old native of Jackson, Mississippi earning his first PGA TOUR card off the strength of five top-10s as a rookie this season, including a T2 at the AdventHealth Championship in May. Closed the season with six top-25s in the final seven events, highlighted by a T6 at the season-ending Korn Ferry Tour Championship to secure his TOUR card. Turned professional in 2021 after four seasons at University of Alabama (2017-21), where he was a 2021 All-Southeastern Conference selection and helped the Crimson Tide to a runner-up finish at the 2018 NCAA Championship. Featured cast member of *One Shot Away*, the Korn Ferry Tour's season-long, six-episode documentary series available on YouTube. Loves space and astronomy. Earliest golf memory is hitting pinecones

in the road. Younger brother, Prentiss, is an accomplished singer who has a record deal, appeared at Lollapalooza, and was featured in both *GQ* and *The New York Times*.

### No. 25 – Parker Coody

A 23-year-old third-generation professional golfer. Finished No. 13 in the 2022 PGA TOUR University Ranking after four seasons at University of Texas, where he and his fraternal twin brother, Pierceson, helped the Longhorns win the team national title at the 2022 NCAA Championship. Also tied for second individually at the 2022 NCAA Championship. Played the 2022 PGA TOUR Canada season (via PGA TOUR University performance benefits) and won his seventh start on the circuit. Began the 2023 Korn Ferry Tour season with conditional status and buried in the priority ranking, but finished T5 as a Monday qualifier at the AdventHealth Championship and finished the season with five top-10s en route to his first PGA TOUR card. Parker is 37 minutes older than his fraternal twin brother.

### No. 26 - Josh Teater

A 44-year-old Kentuckian returning to the PGA TOUR, where he made four consecutive FedExCup Playoffs appearances from 2010 through 2013. Graduating from the Korn Ferry Tour for a third time, previously doing so in 2009 and 2018. Held on for solo fifth at the season-ending 2023 Korn Ferry Tour Championship which, paired with a runner-up finish from the BMW Charity Pro-Am earlier in the season (lost a playoff to Adrien Dumont de Chassart), secured his return to the TOUR. Played collegiately at Morehead State University, but resides in Lexington, Kentucky and is a huge University of Kentucky sports fan.

## No. 27 – Ryan McCormick

A 31-year-old native New Jerseyan earning his first PGA TOUR card in 10th year as a professional, and third consecutive Korn Ferry Tour season. The ironman of the Korn Ferry Tour, has competed in 90 of the 92 events he's qualified for via the priority ranking the last three seasons, finishing No. 65 on the 2020-21 Korn Ferry Tour Points List, followed by No. 28 finish on the 2022 Points List. Played all 26 events in 2023, posting four top-10s to earn his first TOUR card. Garnered media attention for building and modifying Korn Ferry Tour courses in PGA TOUR 2K on his gaming PC as part of tournament preparation. Turned professional in 2014 after four seasons at St. Johns University, where he was the 2013-14 BIG EAST Conference Golfer of the Year. Notably won the 2012 New Jersey State Golf Association Amateur Championship and Metropolitan Golf Association Amateur Championship, becoming the first player to win both titles in the same year since Joseph McBride in 1949. Father is Mark McCormick, longtime head professional at Suburban Golf Club in Union, New Jersey, as well as a 2021 New Jersey PGA Hall of Fame inductee.

### No. 28 – Scott Gutschewski

Becomes the fourth-oldest Korn Ferry Tour graduate in history at 47 years, 7 days of age. Graduating from the Korn Ferry Tour for the second time in the last three seasons (2021 Finals) and fifth time overall (2004, 2008, 2010, 2023). Won the LECOM Suncoast Classic in April 2023 for his third career Korn Ferry Tour win and first victory since 2008, closing the second-largest gap between wins in Tour history (14 years, 10 months, 15 days). Celebrated his first Korn Ferry Tour win in 2003 with 12-time PGA TOUR winner Zach Johnson. Scott's oldest son, Luke, plays collegiately at Iowa State University and recently won the 2023 Zach Johnson Invitational.

# No. 29 – Roger Sloan

A 36-year-old Canadian and two-time Korn Ferry Tour winner returning to the PGA TOUR, where he played five of the last seven seasons and made two FedExCup Playoffs appearances (2019, 2021). Secured a return to the TOUR off the strength of a win at the Utah Championship presented by Zions Bank, his first victory since the 2014 Nova Scotia Open, which propelled him to the TOUR for the first time. Clinched his TOUR return with a clutch par save on the 72nd hole of the season-ending Korn Ferry Tour Championship for a T10 finish. Wine enthusiast and a close friend of PGA TOUR winners Adam Hadwin and Nick Taylor, as he has known both since his teenage years.

# No. 30 – Rafael Campos

A 35-year-old Olympian and native of Puerto Rico returning to the PGA TOUR for the first time since finishing No. 151 in the 2020-21 FedExCup standings. Previously graduated from the Korn Ferry Tour following the 2019 season. Logged three top-10s this season, including a runner-up finish at the inaugural Compliance Solutions Championship in Norman, Oklahoma. Addicted to fishing and would happily captain a fishing boat should his professional golf career come to an end; he once caught a 386-pound blue marlin which took him two and a half hours to reel in.