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2024 PGA TOUR Q-School presented by Korn Ferry (Final Stage)

Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida
TPC Sawgrass (Dye’s Valley Course)
Sawgrass Country Club (East-West)

December 12-15, 2024
Par/Yards: 35-35—70/6,850
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Purse: \$510,000 (\$50,000 winner)

Third-Round Notes – Saturday, December 14, 2024

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Weather: Windy and partly cloudy. High of 72. Wind E/NE 8-22 mph, gusts up to 32 mph.

Dye’s Valley Course Cumulative Scoring Average: 71.460 (+1.460)

Sawgrass Country Club Cumulative Scoring Average: 72.909 (+2.909)

Leaderboard

Pos.	Player	Course	R1	R2	R3	Total
T1	Alistair Docherty	CC-DV-CC	71	66	67	204 (-6)
	Matthew Riedel	CC-DV-CC	68	69	67	204 (-6)
3	Takumi Kanaya	CC-DV-CC	68	70	68	206 (-4)
T4	Grant Hirschman	DV-CC-CC	68	73	66	207 (-3)
	John Greco	DV-CC-CC	70	70	67	207 (-3)
	Hayden Buckley	DV-CC-CC	68	72	67	207 (-3)
	Corey Shaun	DV-CC-CC	61	76	70	207 (-3)

Alistair Docherty (T1/-6) – CC

- Cards a 3-under 67 to maintain a share of the lead, in addition to having a three-stroke cushion from the current cut line for PGA TOUR membership (4-way T4 at 3-under 207)
- Seeking his first PGA TOUR card in what is his ninth year as a professional (turned professional out of Chico State in 2016)
- Making fourth career appearance at Final Stage of Q-School, having previously finished T21 in 2023 (earned guaranteed starts on Korn Ferry Tour for 2024), T29 in 2022 (earned guaranteed starts on Korn Ferry Tour for 2023), and T61 in 2019 (earned conditional status on Korn Ferry Tour for 2020-21 season)
- Earned exemption for Final Stage by virtue of finishing in the top 60 of the 2024 Korn Ferry Tour Points List
- Finished No. 32 on the 2024 Korn Ferry Tour Points List, earning fully exempt status for the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour season; he needed a 2-way T2 finish at the season-ending Korn Ferry Tour Championship presented by United Leasing & Finance to finish in the top 30 of the Points List and earn PGA TOUR membership, but Doc Redman’s birdie on the 72nd hole created a 3-way T2 finish and bumped Docherty out of the top 30
- Finished T2 as a sponsor exemption at the 2024 Myrtle Beach Classic, which was his second career start on the PGA TOUR
- Previously finished No. 86 on the 2023 Korn Ferry Tour Points List as a rookie
- Played four seasons at Chico State (also known as California State University-Chico), an NCAA Division II program, garnering three All-America honors (First Team in 2014 and 2016; Second Team in 2015), earning medalist honors at the 2015 California Collegiate Athletic Association Championships, and receiving the 2016 CCAA Player of the Year award

Matthew Riedel (T1/-6) – CC

- Cards a bogey-free 3-under 67 to maintain a share of the lead, in addition to having a three-stroke cushion from the current cut line for PGA TOUR membership (4-way T4 at 3-under 207)
- Only player in the field with three rounds in the 60s this week
- Earned an exemption to Final Stage by virtue of his No. 4 finish in the 2024 PGA TOUR University Ranking
- Holds fully exempt status for the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour season via his No. 2 finish on the [2024 PGA TOUR University Total Points List](#) (combined FedExCup and Korn Ferry Tour points earned by PGA TOUR University Class of 2024 members)
- Finished No. 77 on the 2024 Korn Ferry Tour Points List in just 13 starts after he joined the Tour via PGA TOUR University performance benefits in June; he notably finished T2 at The Ascendant presented by Blue

- Played five seasons at Vanderbilt University (2019-24), where he was a two-time All-Southeastern Conference First Team selection (2023, 2024) and won his lone collegiate event at the 2022 SEC Match Play presented by Jerry Pate, where he won medalist honors for the stroke play portion of the event.
- Finished T2 at the 2024 SEC Championship, which was won by Auburn University's Jackson Koivun

Additional Player Notes

- Making his first career appearance at Final Stage of Q-School, **Takumi Kanaya** (3rd/-4), a seven-time winner on the Japan Golf Tour and former No. 1 player in the World Amateur Golf Ranking, maintains a position in the top five with a 2-under 68 at Sawgrass Country Club; he advanced to Final Stage via Second Stage of Q-School
- **John Greco** (T4/-3) moves into the top five with three birdies in his final four holes en route to a 3-under 67 at Sawgrass Country Club; he is making his first appearance at Final Stage of Q-School after earning medalist honors at First Stage and making birdie on his 72nd hole to advance through the Valencia, California Second Stage site on the number
- **Grant Hirschman** (T4/-3) moves into the top five with a 4-under 66 at Sawgrass Country Club; he advanced through First and Second Stage of Q-School after a No. 178 finish on the 2024 Korn Ferry Tour Points List
 - Hirschman played the last five seasons on the Korn Ferry Tour, finishing inside the top 100 of the Korn Ferry Tour Points List after two of those seasons (No. 68 in 2019, No. 79 in 2020-21)
 - Hirschman's best finish in three previous appearances at Final Stage of Q-School was solo seventh in 2021
- Korn Ferry Tour winner and two-time FedExCup Playoffs qualifier **Hayden Buckley** (T4/-3) moves into the top five with a 3-under 67 at Sawgrass Country Club; he earned an exemption to Final Stage by virtue of his No. 156 finish in the 2024 FedExCup Fall standings
- **Corey Shaun** (T4/-3), who opened with a course-record 9-under 61 at Dye's Valley for a five-stroke 18-hole lead, makes double bogey at the par-4 18th at Sawgrass Country Club to fall into a tie for the final position which awards PGA TOUR membership; he is seeking his first PGA TOUR card in what is his seventh year as a professional, and he has DP World Tour membership for the 2024-25 season via his solo-14th finish at Final Stage of its Q-School last month
- **Marcus Plunkett** (T15/+1), who attended two high schools in Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida (Nease High School for first three years, Ponte Vedra High School as a senior), cards an even-par 70 at Sawgrass Country Club; he played college golf at the United States Military Academy in West Point, and is bidding to become the first Army graduate to earn PGA TOUR membership in what is his first career appearance at Final Stage of Q-School
- **Christo Lamprecht** (T15/+1), who finished No. 2 in the 2024 PGA TOUR University Ranking, cards 1-under 69 at Sawgrass Country Club to move within four strokes of the current cutoff for PGA TOUR membership (4-way T4 at 3-under 207)
- Four-time Korn Ferry Tour winner and two-time FedExCup Playoffs qualifier **Robby Shelton** (T15/+1) and three-time Korn Ferry Tour winner **Pierceson Coody** (T31/+3) share the low round of the day at Dye's Valley with matching 6-under 64s, while Korn Ferry Tour winner **Alejandro Tosti** (T10/E) cards 5-under 65 for the low round of the week at Sawgrass Country Club
- **Kensei Hirata** (T47/+4), the highest-ranked player in the field at No. 114 in the Official World Golf Ranking and a six-time winner on the Japan Golf Tour, falls 14 places on the leaderboard after a 1-over 71 at Sawgrass Country Club; he earned an exemption to Final Stage as the leading player on the Japan Golf Tour Order of Merit
- **Runchanapong Youprayong** (T47/+4) leads the 11 players who advanced through each stage of 2024 PGA TOUR Q-School presented by Korn Ferry, beginning with Pre-Qualifying
- The current cutoff for guaranteed starts for the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour season is a 13-way T47 at 4-over 214

Final Stage Performance Benefits

- *Top Five and Ties*: PGA TOUR membership for 2025
- *Next 40 Finishers and Ties*: Exempt for multiple reshuffles of the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour season
 - The first 25 finishers and ties in this category will be subject to the third reshuffle, assuring them starts in the first 12 events of the 2025 season
 - Any remaining finishers within the category will be subject to the second reshuffle, assuring them starts in the first eight events of the 2025 season
- All remaining finishers outside of the aforementioned categories earn conditional status for the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour season, in addition to being exempt through the Latin America Swing of the 2025 PGA TOUR Americas season