



## CRMC Championship presented by Gertens

Cragun's Legacy Courses | Brainerd, Minnesota | August 29-September 1, 2024

### Pre-Tournament Notes – August 28, 2024

**PGA TOUR Americas 2024 Season:** 15th of 16 events

- North America Swing: 9th of 10 events

**Fortinet Cup Points:** 500 (winner)

**Purse:** \$225,000 (\$40,500 winner)

#### Field Summary (as of August 28, 2024)

156 players from 21 countries

- 108 – United States
- 13 – Canada
- 9 – Argentina
- 4 – Mexico
- 2 – South Africa, England, New Zealand, Chinese Taipei, People's Republic of China
- 1 – Brazil, Australia, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ireland, Chile, France, Czechia, Denmark, Japan, Dominican Republic, Scotland

#### Players to Watch

- **Johnny Keefe (United States)** – Claimed his first professional victory at last week's CentrePort Canada Rail Park Manitoba Open and moved into the No. 1 position of the Fortinet Cup; in addition to his victory, has posted four runner-up finishes in eight starts
- **Matthew Anderson (Canada)** – Posted his sixth top-10 finish of the season last week off the strength of a final-round 9-under 63; is currently No. 2 in the Fortinet Cup
- **Julián Etulain (Argentina)** – Finished tied for sixth at the 2023 CRMC Championship presented by Gertens; is No. 21 in the Fortinet Cup through three top-10s this season
- **Joey Savoie (Canada)** – Posted three top-10s in his last four starts; moved into the No. 10 position of the Fortinet Cup off a runner-up finish at last week's CentrePort Canada Rail Park Manitoba Open
- **Carson Herron (United States)** – A Minnesota native who earned a spot in the field through a victory at the 2024 Minnesota State Open; is a rising senior at the University of New Mexico
- **José de Jesús Rodríguez (Mexico)** – Finished as the low Latin in last week's event (T26/-16) and recorded his lowest relative-to-par score of the season; is one spot outside the top 10 of the Fortinet Cup at No. 11
- **Brendan MacDougall (Canada)** – Recorded his third top-10 finish of the North America Swing last week with a solo eighth finish; posted a tied for sixth showing at the 2023 CRMC Championship presented by Gertens

### **Tournament History**

The CRMC Championship presented by Gertens returns to Cragun's Legacy Courses in Brainerd, Minnesota for the third consecutive year. The 2023 Tournament of the Year on PGA TOUR Canada serves as the penultimate event of the season for the second year in a row, and is the final stop before the season-ending, limited-field Fortinet Cup Championship. While 36 holes are offered at Cragun's Legacy Courses, competition will be played on the Dutch 18 – a recently completed renovation and expansion by PGA TOUR winner Tom Lehman. This year's Honorary Chairman is the champion of the 2022 CRMC Championship and PGA TOUR winner, Jake Knapp.

This week's field includes six players who finished inside the top-10 at the 2023 CRMC Championship presented by Gertens: Gavin Hall (T4), Blake Tomlinson (T4), Julián Etulain (T6), Taylor Funk (T6), Brendan MacDougall (T6), and George Markham (T6).

### **Fortinet Cup Overview**

The CRMC Championship presented by Gertens is the ninth stop of the North America Swing, and the 15th event of the season. The 10-event North America Swing is comprised of nine events in Canada and one in the United States.

After the North America Swing's ninth event (CRMC Championship presented by Gertens, Aug. 29-Sept. 1), the top 120 players in the Fortinet Cup will be exempt into the Fortinet Cup Championship (Sept. 5-8), the final event of the season. The season will conclude in Caledon, Ontario at TPC Toronto with the top 10 players in the Fortinet Cup earning exempt membership for the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour season.

### **PGA TOUR Americas – 2024 Season Summary**

Up to 15 Korn Ferry Tour cards are on the line during the 2024 PGA TOUR Americas season – five conditional memberships will go to the top players from the Latin America (Matthew Anderson, Harry Hillier) and North America (3) Swings, and the top 10 players in the season-long Fortinet Cup points list will earn exempt membership.

#### **Latin America Swing**

1. March 21-24 | Bupa Championship at Tulum (Tulum, Mexico)
  - Winner: Clay Feagler
2. March 28-31 | Totalplay Championship at Atlas Country Club (Guadalajara, Mexico)
  - Winner: José de Jesús Rodríguez
3. April 18-21 | 69th ECP Brazil Open (Rio de Janeiro, Brazil)
  - Winner: Matthew Anderson
4. April 25-28 | Diners Club Peru Open (Lima, Peru)
  - Winner: Stuart Macdonald
5. May 2-5 | KIA Open (Quito, Ecuador)
  - Winner: Thomas Longbella
6. May 16-19 | Inter Rapidísimo Golf Championship (Bogotá, Colombia)
  - Winner: Harry Hillier

#### **North America Swing**

7. June 20-23 | The Beachlands Victoria Open presented by Times Colonist (Victoria, British Columbia)
  - Winner: Frederik Kjettrup
8. June 27-30 | ATB Classic (Strathcona County, Alberta)
  - Winner: Frederik Kjettrup
9. July 11-14 | Explore NB Open (Mactaquac, New Brunswick)
  - Winner: Ian Holt
10. July 18-21 | Bromont Open presented by Desjardins (Bromont, Québec)

- Winner : Ryan Burnett
11. July 25-28 | Commissionaires Ottawa Open (Ottawa, Ontario)
    - Winner: Barend Botha
  12. Aug. 1-4 | BioSteel Championship (Windsor, Ontario)
    - Winner: Barend Botha
  13. Aug. 15-18 | Elk Ridge Saskatchewan Open presented by Lake County Co-op (Waskesiu Lake, Saskatchewan)
    - Winner: A.J. Ewart
  14. Aug. 22-25 | CentrePort Canada Rail Park Manitoba Open (Winnipeg, Manitoba)
    - Winner: Johnny Keefer
  15. Aug. 29 – Sept. 1 | CRMC Championship presented by Gertens (Brainerd, Minnesota)
  16. Sept. 5-8 | Fortinet Cup Championship (Caledon, Ontario)

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