



# **Fortinet Cup Championship**

TPC Toronto at Osprey Valley (North Course) | Caledon, Ontario, Canada | September 5-8, 2024

# Final-Round Notes - September 8, 2024

PGA TOUR Americas 2024 Season: 16th of 16 events
 North America Swing: 10th of 10 events

Fortinet Cup Points: 600 (winner) Purse: \$225,000 (\$40,500 winner)

Pos.	Player	Score	Fortinet Cup
1	Will Cannon (United States)	72-65-69-69 – 275 (-5)	6th
2	Sandy Scott (Scotland)	66-70-74-66 – 276 (-4)	8th
T3	John Keefer (United States)	70-71-68-68 – 277 (-3)	1st
T3	Michael Brennan (United States)	67-67-69-74 – 277 (-3)	18th
T3	Luke Long (United States)	72-65-67-73 – 277 (-3)	21st

**CALEDON, Ontario** – Will Cannon carded a final-round 1-under 69 to claim his first PGA TOUR-sanctioned victory at the season-finale Fortinet Cup Championship. With the win, Cannon is headed back to the Korn Ferry Tour as he moved to No. 6 in the Fortinet Cup and earned a spot in The 10.

Scotland's Sandy Scott tied the low round of the day in 4-under 66, and with a solo second finish, finished No. 8 in the season-long points list to earn status on the Korn Ferry Tour for 2025. Rookie Johnny Keefer retained his spot as No. 1 in the Fortinet Cup and claimed honors as the Fortinet Cup Champion.

Cannon started the final round of the Fortinet Cup Championship in third place and was three strokes behind third-round leader Michael Brennan. Cannon quickly closed the gap between him and Brennan as the ninth-year professional birded two of his first three holes to start the day, and Brennan bogeyed his opening hole. A double bogey on No. 9 resulted in an even-par front nine for Cannon and brought the duo back to the round's start with Brennan up by three strokes.

Brennan held a five-stroke lead over Cannon through 11 holes as Cannon made bogey at the turn and Brennan birdied No. 11. With only one bogey on his scorecard with seven holes remaining, Brennan seemed destined for success with his seemingly flawless play throughout the week. A stunt of three holes at 7-over par saw Brennan fall out of the lead, and with birdies in three of his final four holes, Cannon surged to the top of the leaderboard to claim a one-stroke victory over Sandy Scott.

Cannon will be making a return to the Korn Ferry Tour after appearing in back-to-back seasons in 2019 and 2020. Since then, Cannon played on PGA TOUR Latinoamérica in 2022 and officially earned exempt membership on PGA TOUR Americas through the Alabama mid-season Q-School site in May. This season, the 30-year-old claimed three top-10s (Commissionaires Ottawa Open/T10, BioSteel Championship/T4), highlighted by his victory at this week's Fortinet Cup Championship.

Cannon (No. 6) joins nine others in The 10 headed to the Korn Ferry Tour next season: Johnny Keefer (No. 1), Frederik Kjettrup (No. 2), Matthew Anderson (No. 3), Barend Botha (No. 4), Clay Feagler (No. 5), Harry Hillier (No. 7), Sandy Scott (No. 8), Ryan Burnett (No. 9), and Ian Holt (No. 10). By finishing No. 1 in the Fortinet Cup, Keefer secured fully exempt status on the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour and earned an exemption into next week's PGA TOUR Procore Championship.

Cannon, along with the rest of The 10, earned access into Final Stage of PGA TOUR Q-School presented by Korn Ferry, occurring in December at Dye's Valley Course at TPC Sawgrass and Sawgrass Country Club in Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida. The top 80 players in the 2024 Fortinet Cup earned exempt membership into the next PGA TOUR Americas season, which is set to kick off in Spring of 2025.

## About Will Cannon (1st/-5)

**Age:** 30

Birthplace: Hilton Head Island, South Carolina

Residence: Birmingham, Alabama

College: University of Alabama - Birmingham

Fortinet Cup: 6th

- With the win, earned a spot in The 10 at No. 6 and will be making a return to the Korn Ferry Tour for the 2025 season; also secured status on PGA TOUR Americas through the 2025 Latin America Swing
- Initially earned exempt membership on PGA TOUR Americas through mid-season Q-School in May at the Alabama site; posted three top-10s in 10 starts highlighted by this week's victory
- Played two seasons on the Korn Ferry Tour (2019, 2020)
- Claimed his first career PGA TOUR-sanctioned victory at the 2024 Fortinet Cup Championship
- Aspires to start a foundation that raises money for various charities
- Earliest golf memory is running under the ropes at Harbor Town when he was three years old and running like an airplane behind Ernie Els

# **Competition Notes**

**Course Setup:** Par 70 / 7,445 yards; R4 average: 73.03

**Weather:** Partly cloudy with occasional showers and a high of 63. Wind from the west-southwest at 7-17 mph with gusts up to 34 mph.

- With his win, Will Cannon (1st/-5) claimed his first PGA TOUR-sanctioned victory and moved into the No. 6 position of the Fortinet Cup; earned status on the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour
- The top 10 players in the Fortinet Cup earned membership on next season's Korn Ferry Tour: Johnny Keefer (No. 1), Frederik Kjettrup (No. 2), Matthew Anderson (No. 3), Barend Botha (No. 4), Clay Feagler (No. 5), Clay Feagler (No. 6), Harry Hillier (No. 7), Sandy Scott (No. 8), Ryan Burnett (No. 9), and Ian Holt (No. 10)

- Keefer (T3/-3) retained the No. 1 position in the Fortinet Cup to be named the Fortinet Cup Champion and secure fully exempt status on the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour
- Players who finished 11th-25th in the Fortinet Cup are exempt into Second Stage of PGA TOUR
  Q-School presented by Korn Ferry, and PGA TOUR Americas members finishing 26th and beyond
  will be exempt into First Stage
- Six countries were represented in The 10: United States (5), Denmark (1), Canada (1), South Africa (1), New Zealand (1), Scotland (1)
- With their rounds today, three players moved into the top 80 to earn exempt membership into the 2025 Latin America Swing: T23/Eddy Lai (Fortinet Cup: 76th), T8/Chris Crisologo (Fortinet Cup: 75th), 6th/Martin Contini (Fortinet Cup: 64th)
- Argentina's Martin Contini (6th/-2) was the week's low Latin
- Scott (2nd/-4) and Charlie Crockett (22nd/+4) carded the low round of the day in 4-under 66
- Team Canada members Brendan MacDougall (T8/E) and Chris Crisologo (T8/E) finished as the low Canadians at the Fortinet Cup Championship
- Hole No. 13 the 536-yard par 4 was the most challenging hole on the North Course at TPC Toronto at Osprey Valley, averaging a +.620

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