



The Beachlands Victoria Open presented by Times Colonist

Uplands Golf Club | Victoria, British Columbia | June 20-23, 2024

Final-Round Notes – June 23, 2024

PGA TOUR Americas 2024 Season: 7th of 16 events

North America Swing: 1st of 10 events
Fortinet Cup Points: 500 (winner)
Purse: \$225,000 (\$40,500 winner)

Pos.	Player	Score	Fortinet Cup
1	Frederik Kjettrup (Denmark)	63-64-64-68 – 259 (-21)	9th
2	Mateo Fernández de Oliveira (Argentina)	64-70-63-63 – 260 (-20)	12th
3	Clay Feagler (United States)	67-63-64-67 – 261 (-19)	2nd
4	Samuel Anderson (United States)	65-67-63-67 – 262 (-18)	7th
T5	John Keefer (United States)	68-65-64-66 - 263 (-17)	T58
T5	John Marshall Butler (United States)	63-64-67-69 - 263 (-17)	T58

VICTORIA, British Columbia – Denmark-native Frederik Kjettrup carded a final-round 2-under 68 at The Beachlands Victoria Open presented by Times Colonist to capture his first professional victory in his second career start. Mateo Fernández de Oliveira of Argentina finished in solo second, the best finish of his professional career after shooting the low round of the day, carding a 7-under 63. Clay Feagler finished solo third, posting his best finish since winning the Bupa Championship at Tulum.

Kjettrup held a three-stroke lead heading into Sunday's final round at Uplands Golf Club, and held off Fernández de Oliveira after back-to-back birdies on Nos. 16 and 17. Kjettrup made 42-footer on No. 17 which proved to be the winning moment, as the Florida State alum followed his fourth birdie of the day with a par on No. 18 to seal the first victory of his professional career.

This week marks Kjettrup's second start as a professional, as he made his professional debut at the U.S. Open after earning a spot in the field via Final Qualifying in Alpharetta, Georgia. The U.S. Open was Kjettrup's first PGA TOUR-sanctioned start and fourth appearance in a professional event. Kjettrup played as an amateur at the DP World Tour's 2024 Hero Dubai Desert Classic (MC), 2023 Made in HimmerLand (T24/-7), and the Challenge Tour's 2022 Frederikshavn Challenge - Presented by HESSEL (T8/-11).

The 24-year-old spent four collegiate seasons at Florida State University and graduated last month following a decorated career. Kjettrup was a three-time individual champion (2022 All-American Intercollegiate, 2023 Watersound Invitational, 2024 ACC Championship) at Florida State and earned his third All-American recognition this season after being named to the Division I PING All-America Second Team. He became the fourth three-time All-American in program history, alongside Korn Ferry Tour member John Pak and former teammate and PGA TOUR Americas member Brett Roberts. Kjettrup was the second Seminole to win this week after Pak won the Korn Ferry Tour's Compliance Solutions Championship.

After finishing No. 8 in the 2024 PGA TOUR University Ranking, the Florida State alum earned exempt membership into PGA TOUR Americas and conditional status on the Korn Ferry Tour. Due to the program earning Kjettrup a spot in this week's field, he touched on the importance of PGA TOUR University and how it has affected the game of collegiate golf.

"PGA TOUR University is a great opportunity for anyone in college right now. It's completely changed the game," says Kjettrup. "It goes without saying, I wouldn't have been here without PGA TOUR University. It's a great stepping ladder for me from college ranks going into professional life. I can't emphasize how much that means to everyone in college right now."

Before making his professional debut, Kjettrup represented Denmark numerous times in his amateur career, most notably at the European Amateur Team Championship for four consecutive years (2020-23), in addition to appearances at the World Amateur Team Championship (2022-23), the Bonallack Trophy (2023), and the European Boys Team Championship (2018). Kjettrup was part of the 2021 Denmark team that beat France to earn the country's first title at the European Amateur Team Championship. He was also a two-year participant for the International Team in the Arnold Palmer Cup (2022, 2023), and was part of the 2022 team that beat the USA 33-27 in Switzerland.

In today's final round, fans showed up with a Danish flag to the first tee. "It's just cool to see. I don't even know how many thousands of miles I am away from home, so it's just cool to see the flag," says Kjettrup in his post-round interview. "I got to the first tee a little bit early today, the group ahead was still teeing off and I just looked to the side, and I see two people just standing there with a Danish flag. That was definitely special."

Kjettrup is expected to be in the field at the ATB Classic, the second event of the North America Swing, which will be hosted at Northern Bear Golf Course from June 27-30 in Sherwood Park, Alberta.

About Frederik Kjettrup (1st/-21)

Age: 24 Birthplace: Aabybro, Denmark Residence: Tallahassee, Florida College: Florida State University Fortinet Cup: 9th

- With the win, becomes exempt through the Latin Swing of 2025, in addition to being exempt for the North America Swing of 2024 by finishing No. 8 in the 2024 PGA TOUR University Ranking
- In addition to earning exempt membership to PGA TOUR Americas through PGA TOUR University, also earned conditional status on the Korn Ferry Tour

- Made his professional debut at the U.S. Open last week after earning a spot in the field via Final Qualifying in Alpharetta, Georgia
- Started golfing at nine years old and only started to take the game serious at 13 years old; his brother, Nicolaj, got him into the game
- Grew up in Aabybro, Denmark and was the first one in his family to attend college in the United States (Florida State University)
- Played four collegiate seasons at Florida State where he claimed three individual victories (2022 All-American Intercollegiate, 2023 Watersound Invitational, 2024 ACC Championship) and claimed a team runner-up finish at the 2024 NCAA Championship
- Girlfriend Charlotte Heath plays professional golf on the Epson Tour after graduating from Florida State in 2024
- His role model is Ludvig Åberg; believes he has a good head on his shoulders and admires what he has been able to accomplish in his professional golf career
- Won the 2021 Danish National Stroke Play Championship by seven strokes over fellow Dane Gustav Frimodt

Competition Notes

Course Setup: Par 70 / 6,420 yards; R4 average: 69.46

Weather: Partly cloudy with a high of 68. Wind from the west-southwest at 5-13 mph with gusts up to 21 mph.

- Frederik Kjettrup (1st/-21) claimed his first PGA TOUR-sanctioned victory in his second start as a professional
- Of the 25 players making their professional debuts this week, 14 made the cut
- Mateo Fernández de Oliveira (2nd/-20) finished as the low Latin and recorded his best career finish
- Fernández de Oliveira shot the low round of the day with a 7-under 63
- Vancouver, British Columbia-native Chris Crisologo (T30/-11) finished as the low Canadian; Crisologo earned a spot in the field via a sponsor exemption
- Neal Shipley (T9/-15), the low amateur at the 2024 Masters and U.S. Open, carded a final-round 3-under 67 to finish tied for ninth in his professional debut
- Uplands Golf Club played a cumulative 1.53 strokes under-par through four rounds
- Easter Seals, the charity component of The Beachlands Victoria Open presented by Times Colonist, raised \$604,000 totaled the most in PGA TOUR Canada/Americas history with \$1.4 million

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About PGA TOUR Americas

PGA TOUR Americas is an international tour that provides professional golfers with competitive opportunities and prepares them to advance their careers on the Korn Ferry Tour and PGA TOUR. The 2024 schedule consists of 16 events – six in Latin America and 10 in North America – and the inaugural season culminates in September with the Fortinet Cup Championship, where the top-10 players on the season-long points list will earn Korn Ferry Tour membership the following season.

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