

- Holds first 18-hole lead/co-lead in a Korn Ferry Tour event, with his previous career-high 18-hole position being T6/2022 UNC Health Championship presented by STITCH (finished T10)
- Records his lowest opening round on the Korn Ferry Tour in 8-under 63 (previous: 66/twice/2022 UNC Health Championship presented by STITCH, 2023 Utah Championship presented by Zions Bank and Intermountain Health)
- Cards one eagle (No. 18) and seven birdies (Nos. 3, 5, 8, 10, 11, 13, 17) against one bogey in the first round
- Seeking first made cut of the season in what is his fourth start
- Ties the lowest opening round of the Astara Chile Classic presented by Scotiabank (others: Tain Lee/63/2015, Julián Etulain/63/2025), and shares the lowest first round score in the tournament's history at Prince Wales Country Club with Etulain
- Best finish in two previous starts at the Astara Chile Classic presented by Scotiabank is T47/2024
- Finished T50 at Final Stage of 2024 PGA TOUR Q-School presented by Q-School to earn conditional status for the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour season
- Played five seasons at the University of Georgia (2016-21); teammates with PGA TOUR winner Davis Thompson for four seasons (2017-21) and two-time Korn Ferry Tour winner Greyson Sigg for one season (2016-17)

Additional Player Notes

- Korn Ferry Tour rookie and the highest-ranked player in the field, **Kensei Hirata** (T3/-6), sits inside the top-3 following the first round for the second time this season (other: T2/The Panama Championship/finished T17)
- In his first season on the Korn Ferry Tour, **Caleb VanArragon** (T3/-6) establishes a new career-high 18-hole position (previous: T28/2025 The Bahamas Great Abaco Classic at The Abaco Club/finished T19), and posts his career-low round in 6-under 65 (previous: 6-under 66/2025 The Bahamas Great Abaco Classic at The Abaco Club)
- In what is his eighth career start on the Korn Ferry Tour, rookie **Marcus Plunkett** (T6/-5) posts his career-low round in 5-under 66 (previous: 2-under 68/2025 The Bahamas Golf Classic at Atlantis Paradise Island); earning starts in the first eight events of the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour season via a T43 finish in what was his first appearance at Final Stage of 2024 PGA TOUR Q-School presented by Korn Ferry
- Making his first appearance at the Astara Chile Classic presented by Scotiabank, **Nicolo Galletti** (T6/-5) establishes a new career-high 18-hole position (previous: T43/2025 The Panama Championship/finished T59) and cards a career-low round in 5-under 66 (previous: 3-under 67/2025 The Panama Championship); finished T26 at Final Stage of 2024 PGA TOUR Q-School presented by Korn Ferry, earning starts in the first 12 events of the 2025 season
- Colombian **Marcelo Rozo** (T6/-5), who co-led after the first round of last week's 118th Visa Argentina Open presented by Macro (finished T11), stands inside the top-10 following the first round for the second time this season
- Korn Ferry Tour winner **Jorge Fernández Valdés** (T6/-5) looks for his first made cut in his fifth start of the season; sits inside the top-10 following the first round for the first time since the 2024 Panama Championship
- **Hank Lebioda**, the current No. 1 player on the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour Points List, cards a bogey-free 2-under 69 and sits T39