



2025 Astara Chile Classic presented by Scotiabank (6th of 26 events on 2025 Korn Ferry Tour Schedule)

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Santiago, Chile March 6-9, 2025 Points: 500 (winner)

Prince of Wales Country Club Par/Yards: 71 (36-35) / 7,134 Purse: \$1,000,000 / \$180,00 (winner)

Second-Round Notes - Friday, March 7, 2025

Weather: Sunny. High of 81. Wind SW at 5-10 mph.

36-hole cut: 79 professionals at 2-under 140 from a field of 155 professionals and one amateur.

Leaderboard

Pos.	Player	R1	R2	Total
T1	Cole Hammer	69	62	131 (-11)
	Davis Chatfield	67	64	131 (-11)
3	Chandler Blanchet	69	63	132 (-10)
T4	S.H. Kim	66	67	133 (-9)
	Julián Etulain	63	70	133 (-9)
	Neal Shipley	68	65	133 (-9)
	Marcus Plunkett	66	67	133 (-9)

Charting the Co-Leaders

Category	Cole Hammer	Davis Chatfield
Age	25	25
2025 Korn Ferry Tour Points List	No. 131	No. 18
Starts – Wins – Top-10s on Korn Ferry Tour in 2025	5-0-0	5-0-2
Starts – Wins – Top-10s in Korn Ferry Tour Career	50-0-3	54-0-5
Starts – Wins – Top-10s at Astara Chile Classic presented by Scotiabank	1-0-0	2-0-0

Cole Hammer (T1/-11)

- Makes 10 birdies and one bogey en route to a 9-under 62, marking the low round of the day and tying his career-low round on the Korn Ferry Tour (previous: 62/2024 Astara Golf Championship presented by Mastercard/Round 1)
- Holds his first 36-hole lead/co-lead in a Korn Ferry Tour event, with his previous career-high 36-hole position being T4/2022 Memorial Health Championship presented by LRS (finished T7)
- Leads the field with 15 birdies through 36 holes
- One of eight players who shared the 18-hole lead at last week's 118th VISA Argentina Open presented by Macro (finished T68), which marked his first lead/co-lead of any kind in a Korn Ferry Tour event
- Finished T26 at the 2024 Astara Chile Classic presented by Scotiabank, his only previous appearance in this
 week's event
- Finished No. 65 on the 2024 Korn Ferry Tour Points List to earn fully exempt status for the 2025 season; he previously finished No. 161 on the 2023 Korn Ferry Tour Points List in what was his first full season on Tour
- Finished No. 5 in the 2022 PGA TOUR University Ranking after four seasons at University of Texas (2018-22), where he won four collegiate events, including medalist honors at the 2021 Big 12 Conference Championship
- Earned the 2019 Mark H. McCormack Medal as the No. 1 player in the World Amateur Golf Ranking upon conclusion of the elite amateur season

Davis Chatfield (T1/-11)

- Records six birdies, an eagle at the par-4 first, and one bogey for a 7-under 64, marking his second round of 64 or lower this season (63/The Bahamas Great Abaco Classic at The Abaco Club/Round 2)
- Holds his fourth 36-hole lead/co-lead in what is his 55th career start on the Korn Ferry Tour, and holds his third 36-hole lead/co-lead of the 2025 season (T1/2023 Compliance Solutions Championship/finished T17; T1/2025 The Bahamas Great Abaco Classic at The Abaco Club/finished T7; 1st/2025 Panama Championship/finished T17)
- Finished T61 at the 2023 Astara Chile Classic presented by Scotiabank, his best finish in two previous appearances at this week's event
- Finished No. 44 on the 2024 Korn Ferry Tour Points List to maintain fully exempt membership for the 2025 season; he previously finished No. 62 on the 2023 Korn Ferry Tour Points List as a rookie
- Played five seasons at University of Notre Dame (2017-22), where he was a 2022 All-Atlantic Coast Conference Team selection
- Quarterfinalist at the 2021 U.S. Amateur Championship at Oakmont Country Club, host of the 2025 U.S. Open

Additional Notes

- Chandler Blanchet (3rd/-10), a conditional member in his fourth season on the Korn Ferry Tour, cards a career-low 8-under 63 (previous: 64/five times) and stands inside the top three through 36 holes for the second time this season (T2/118th VISA Argentina Open presented by Macro/finished T11)
- Four-time Korn Ferry Tour runner-up **S.H. Kim** (T4/-9) stands inside the top five through 36 holes for the third time in what is his fifth start this season (T2/118th VISA Argentina Open presented by Macro/finished T2; 3rd/The Bahamas Golf Classic at Atlantis Paradise Island/finished P2)
- Korn Ferry Tour rookie **Neal Shipley** (T4/-9) matches his highest 36-hole position in a Korn Ferry Tour event (T4/2025 Panama Championship/finished T9)
- Korn Ferry Tour rookie **Marcus Plunkett** (T4/-9) stands inside the top 50 through 36 holes of a Korn Ferry Tour event for the first time (previous career-high 36-hole position: T52/2025 Panama Championship/finished T63)
- 18-hole co-leaders **Julián Etulain** (T4/-9) and **Spencer Ralston** (T18/-5) card rounds of 1-under 70 and 3-over 74, respectively
- Korn Ferry Tour rookie **Kensei Hirata** (T8/-8), a six-time winner on the Japan Golf Tour and the highest-ranked player in the field, stands inside the top 10 through 36 holes for the third time in what marks his fifth career start on the Korn Ferry Tour (previous: T4/2025 The Bahamas Great Abaco Classic at The Abaco Club/finished T2; T4/2025 Panama Championship/finished T17)
- Luis Gerardo Garza (T28/-4) records the first albatross of the 2025 season with a two on the par-5 third; he stood 4-over par through the first 11 holes of his round prior to the albatross, which he followed with birdies at the par-3 fourth and par-4 eighth for a 1-under 70 and his first made cut in a Korn Ferry Tour event
- Ten conditional members recorded their first made cut of the 2025 season Friday evening: Dawson Armstrong (T18/-5), Kyle Cottam (T55/-2), Luis Gerardo Garza (T28/-4), Mark Goetz (T11/-7), Blaine Hale Jr. (T28/-4), Keenan Huskey (T55/-2), Dylan Menante (T55/-2), Bryson Nimmer (T55/-2), Raul Pereda (T43/-3), Spencer Ralston (T18/-5)
- Korn Ferry Tour winner Benjamín Alvarado (T55/-2), a Chilean playing this week's event via a sponsor exemption, rebounds from a 1-over par 72 with a 3-under 68 and records his first made cut in a Korn Ferry Tour event since the 2019 Astara Golf Championship presented by Mastercard