



Pre-Tournament Notes Memorial Health Championship presented by LRS

June 26-29, 2025 • Springfield, Illinois
Panther Creek Country Club • Par 71 • 7,258 yards
156 players • Purse: \$1,000,000 (\$180,000/Winner)
Reigning Champion: Max McGreevy



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THIS WEEK ON TOUR

- The Korn Ferry Tour returns to Springfield, Illinois for the 10th anniversary of the Memorial Health Championship presented by LRS at Panther Creek Country Club, the 16th event of the Tour's 26-event season.
- Panther Creek Country Club has hosted every iteration of the Memorial Health Championship presented by LRS, which played its inaugural event in 2016.
- Myles Creighton** earned his first Korn Ferry Tour title at last week's Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas Wichita Open. Creighton was one of two players to shoot a sub-60 round last week, joining **Adrien Dumont de Chassart** who carded a first-round 11-under 59, which Creighton replicated in the third round en route to his victory. It marked the second time in Korn Ferry Tour history in which multiple sub-60 rounds have been recorded during the same event.
- Nos. 2-10 from the 2025 PGA TOUR University Ranking - who earned exempt Korn Ferry Tour membership - are in the field this week: **Brendan Valdes** (Auburn), **Ian Gilligan** (Florida), **Jackson Van Paris** (Vanderbilt), **Phichaksn Maichon** (Texas A&M), **Preston Summerhays** (Arizona State), **Sebastian Moss** (Louisville), **Omar Morales** (UCLA), **Pablo Ereno Perez** (UCLA), and **Algot Kleen** (LSU).
- Valdes collected his best finish in two starts at the Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas Wichita Open, as the 22-year-old finished T13 in his second professional start on the Korn Ferry Tour. He currently leads his fellow Class of 2025 PGA TOUR University alumni on the 2025 Korn Ferry Points List, sitting at No. 149.
- University of Illinois alum **Jackson Buchanan**, who is playing on a sponsor exemption, will make his professional debut on the Korn Ferry Tour this week. Buchanan finished No. 12 in the Class of 2025 PGA TOUR University Ranking, and returns to the Memorial Health Championship for a second consecutive year, having finished T39 as an amateur on a sponsor exemption in 2024.

2025 KEY STORYLINES

- Canadian **Myles Creighton** earned his first Korn Ferry Tour title at last week's Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas Wichita Open powered by a third-round 11-under 59. Creighton became the 15th player in Korn Ferry Tour history to record a sub-60 round, and only the third player to accomplish the feat en route to victory. A second-year member, Creighton joins **Sudarshan Yellamaraju** as the second Canadian to win this season and becomes the fifth international winner of the year.
- Austin Smotherman** secured his second career Korn Ferry Tour victory at the BMW Charity Pro-Am presented by TD SYNEX, climbing to No. 4 on the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour Points List. Smotherman is aiming for a return to the PGA TOUR, having previously earned his card with a No. 25 finish on the Points List in the 2020-21 combined season.
- Raleigh, North Carolina resident **Trace Crowe**, who was a PGA TOUR rookie last season via a runner-up finish at Final Stage of 2023 PGA TOUR Q-School presented by Korn Ferry, earned his second Korn Ferry Tour title at the UNC Health Championship presented by STITCH. Crowe's 21-under 259 broke the UNC Health Championship's 72-hole scoring record, in addition to his five-stroke win tying the largest margin of victory this season.
- Korn Ferry Tour rookie Johnny Keefer currently leads the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour Points List. He claimed the top spot from Hank Lebioda, who opened the season with a win at The Bahamas Golf Classic at Atlantis Paradise Island, after finishing runner-up at the Visit Knoxville Open. Keefer, a former Baylor standout, earned his first career title at the Veritex Bank Championship and has recorded five top-10s in 13 starts. He also made his Major Championship debut at the PGA Championship (MC) and earned his first made cut in a Major with a T61 finish at the U.S. Open.
- Justin Suh**, the 2022 Korn Ferry Tour Player of the Year, returned to the winner's circle with a five-stroke victory at the 118th VISA Argentina Open presented by Macro in March 2025. The win earned Suh an exemption for the 153rd Open Championship at Royal Portrush this coming July.

2025 SCHEDULE

Dates	Tournament	Winner (Score)
Jan. 12-15	The Bahamas Golf Classic at Atlantis Paradise Island	Hank Lebioda (-18 / 262) #
Jan. 19-22	The Bahamas Great Abaco Classic at The Abaco Club	Sudarshan Yellamaraju (-25 / 263)
Jan. 30 - Feb. 2	The Panama Championship	Josh Teater (-9 / 271)
Feb. 6-9	Astara Golf Championship presented by Mastercard	Kyle Westmoreland (-18 / 265)
Feb. 27 - March 2	118th VISA Argentina Open presented by Macro	Justin Suh (-23 / 275)
March 6-9	Astara Chile Classic presented by Scotiabank	Logan McAllister (-19 / 265)
April 3-6	Club Car Championship at The Landings Golf & Athletic Club	Jeremy Gandon (-17 / 271) #
April 16-19	LECOM Suncoast Classic	Neal Shipley (-18 / 266) #
April 24-27	Veritex Bank Championship	Johnny Keefer (-30 / 254)
May 1-4	Tulum Championship at PGA Riviera Maya	Bryson Nimmer (-9 / 279) #
May 15-18	AdventHealth Championship	S.H. Kim (-20 / 268)
May 22-25	Visit Knoxville Open	Pontus Nyholm (-19 / 265) #
May 29 - June 1	UNC Health Championship presented by STITCH	Trace Crowe (-21 / 259)
June 5-8	BMW Charity Pro-Am presented by TD SYNEX	Austin Smotherman (-25 / 260)
June 19-22	Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas Wichita Open	Myles Creighton (-17 / 263)
June 26-29	Memorial Health Championship presented by LRS	
July 10-13	The Ascendant presented by Blue	
July 17-20	Price Cutter Charity Championship presented by Hiland Dairy Foods	
July 24-27	NV5 Invitational	
July 31 - Aug. 3	Utah Championship presented by Zions Bank and Intermountain Health	
Aug. 7-10	Pinnacle Bank Championship presented by Woodhouse	
Aug. 14-17	Albertsons Boise Open presented by Chevron	
Korn Ferry Tour Finals		
Sept. 11-14	Simmons Bank Open for the Snedeker Foundation	
Sept. 18-21	Nationwide Children's Hospital Championship	
Oct. 2-5	Compliance Solutions Championship	
Oct. 9-12	Korn Ferry Tour Championship presented by United Leasing & Finance	

Korn Ferry Tour Finals refers to the final four events of the 26-event season, where players will compete for increased purses and points (600 points for winning a Finals event, compared to 500 for winning one of the 22 preceding events) to determine the season-long points race. The total purse for each of the first 22 events is \$1 million (\$180,000 to the winner) and increases to \$1.5 million (\$270,000 to the winner) for the four Korn Ferry Tour Finals events.

- denotes playoff victory



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TOURNAMENT STORYLINES

- Field includes 16 PGA TOUR winners with 32 career victories, highlighted by **Nick Watney** with five career TOUR victories.
- Six players in this week's field are in the top 200 of the Official World Golf Ranking: **Pierceson Coody** (No. 122), **Kensei Hirata** (No. 130), **Neal Shipley** (No. 145), **Hank Lebioda** (No. 156), **Austin Smotherman** (No. 163), and **Trace Crowe** (No. 169).
- The field features 52 Korn Ferry Tour winners who have combined for 83 career victories, led by **Chesson Hadley**, **D.A. Points** and **Robby Shelton** with four wins apiece.
- Led by 2024 Memorial Health Championship presented by LRS winner Max McGreevy, five players who finished inside the top 10 and ties secured their PGA TOUR cards by season's end: Steven Fisk (2nd), Jackson Suber (3rd), and Aldrich Potgieter and Ryan Gerard (T8).
- Two previous champions of the Memorial Health Championship are in this week's field: **Paul Haley II** (2022) and **Brett Drewitt** (2020). With his victory in 2022, Haley II tied the 72-hole tournament scoring record in 27-under 257 (Taylor Moore/2021) and earned his return to the PGA TOUR with a No. 3 finish on the 2022 Korn Ferry Tour Eligibility Points List.
- Five players in this week's Korn Ferry Tour field have ties to the state of Illinois: **Adrien Dumont de Chassart** and Quincy native **Luke Guthrie**, both University of Illinois alums; sponsor exemption **Jackson Buchanan**, who is making his professional debut on the Korn Ferry Tour; and Open Qualifiers **Danny Fisher**, a Lake Forest native making his second career Korn Ferry Tour start, and **Charlie Nikitas**, a Chicago native set for his Tour debut.

KORN FERRY TOUR POINTS LIST

At the end of the 26-event Korn Ferry Tour season, the top 20 players on the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour Points List will be awarded PGA TOUR cards (i.e. - membership) for the 2026 season.

Click here to view the full points list:
[2025 Korn Ferry Tour Points List](#)

Rank	Player	Points
1	Johnny Keefe	1,393
2	S.H. Kim	1,301
3	Hank Lebioda	1,289
4	Austin Smotherman	1,141
5	Pierceson Coody	920
6	Davis Chatfield	852
7	Mitchell Meissner	817
8	Trace Crowe	793
9	Josh Teater	790
10	Emilio Gonzalez	776
11	Seungtaek Lee	754
12	Pontus Nyholm	752
13	Justin Suh	713
14	Neal Shipley	703
15	Jeremy Gandon	699
16	Myles Creighton	691
17	Kensei Hirata	681
18	Sudarshan Yellamaraju	648
19	Kyle Westmoreland	644
20	Logan McAllister	612
21	Rick Lamb	603
22	Bryson Nimmer	603
23	Cole Sherwood	515
24	Christo Lamprecht	511
25	Russell Knox	486
26	Adrien Dumont de Chassart	481
27	Ross Steelman	472
28	Tyson Alexander	454
29	Blaine Hale, Jr.	439
30	Sebastian Cappelen	438

PAST CHAMPIONS

Year	Player (Score)
2024	Max McGreevy (-24 / 260)
2023	Paul Barjon (-26 / 258)
2022	Paul Haley II (-27 / 257)
2021	Taylor Moore (-27 / 257)
2020	Brett Drewitt (-19 / 265)
2019	Xinjun Zhang (-15 / 269)
2018	Anders Albertson (-25 / 259)
2017	Adam Schenk (-14 / 270)
2016	Martin Flores (-22 / 262)

2024 LEADERBOARD

Pos.	Player	R1	R2	R3	R4	Total
1	Max McGreevy	63	66	62	69	260 (-24)
2	Steven Fisk	66	63	65	67	261 (-23)
3	Jackson Suber	71	60	65	66	262 (-22)
T4	Alistair Docherty	64	68	67	64	263 (-21)
T4	Alvaro Ortiz	68	63	66	66	263 (-21)
T4	Ryan Cole	66	66	65	66	263 (-21)
T4	Austin Greaser	64	65	63	71	263 (-21)
T8	Five Players Tied					264 (-20)

TOURNAMENT SCORING RECORDS

Low 18-Hole Score:	60	Jackson Suber (2024 / Round 2) Rob Oppenheim (2022 / Round 3) Taylor Moore (2020 / Round 3)
Low 36-Hole Score:	125	Ryan Gerard (2024)
Low 54-Hole Score:	191	Max McGreevy (2024)
Low 72-Hole Score:	257	Paul Haley II (2022) Taylor Moore (2020)
Largest Margin of Victory:	3	Paul Haley II (2022); Taylor Moore (2020)
Playoffs:	2	2019 (Xinjun Zhang defeated Dylan Wu) 2017 (Adam Schenk defeted Eric Axley, Kyle Thompson and William Kropp)
Holes-in-One:	7	Most recent: R4/2022, Alex Chiarella (No. 5)

COURSE INFORMATION

Panther Creek Country Club	
Years Hosted:	2016-present
Scoring Average (2024):	68.160 / -2.840
Toughest Hole (2024):	No. 17, Par 3, 233 yards (3.175 / +0.175)
Easiest Hole (2024):	No. 16, Par 5, 529 yards (4.184 / -0.816)
Front Nine Average (2024):	34.061 / -0.939
Back Nine Average (2024):	34.099 / -1.901