

**Memorial Health Championship presented by LRS**  
**(16th of 26 events on 2025 Korn Ferry Tour Schedule)**  
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Springfield, Illinois

June 26-29, 2025

Points: 500 (winner)

Panther Creek Country Club

Par/Yards: 35-36 – 71 / 7,258

Purse: \$1,000,000 / \$180,00 (winner)

### Partial Second-Round Notes – Friday, June 27, 2025

**Suspension Summary:** The second round was suspended due to lightning at 3:03 p.m., and resumed at 6:46 p.m. (delay of 3 hours, 43 minutes). The second round was suspended due to darkness at 8:31 p.m., with 24 groups needing to complete their round. The second round is scheduled to resume Saturday at 6:45 a.m., and the 36-hole cut will be made upon conclusion of the second round.

**Weather:** Mixed skies. High of 89. Wind W/SW at 6-12 mph, gusts up to 22 mph.

### Leaderboard

Pos.	Player	R1	R2	Total
1	Austin Smotherman	65	63	128 (-14)
T2	Ben Taylor	65	64	129 (-13)
	Luke Guthrie	63	-5 thru 13*	(-13)
T4	Logan McAllister	65	-6 thru 17*	(-12)
	Alvaro Ortiz	64	-5 thru 15	(-12)
T6	Three Players Tied			131 (-11)

### Charting the Leader (stats entering week)

Category	Austin Smotherman
Age	31
2025 Korn Ferry Tour Points List	No. 4
Starts – Wins – Top-10s on Korn Ferry Tour in 2025	15-1-4
Starts – Wins – Top-10s in Korn Ferry Tour Career	93-2-13
Starts – Wins – Top-10s at Memorial Health Championship presented by LRS	3-0-0

### Austin Smotherman (1st/-14)

- Cards a bogey-free 8-under 63 in the second round; records his fourth round of 63 or better this season, having matched his career-low round 62 in the second round of the BMW Charity Pro-Am presented by TD SYNEX
- Poised to hold the fourth 36-hole lead/co-lead of his Korn Ferry Tour career; most recently held the second round lead earlier this month at the BMW Charity Pro-Am which he converted into victory
- Two-time Korn Ferry Tour winner who most recently won in his 92nd career start at the BMW Charity Pro-Am presented by TD SYNEX (other: 2021 Simmons Bank Open for the Snedeker Foundation)
- Became the fourth 36-hole leader/co-leader to win on Tour this season at the BMW Charity Pro-Am, improving to 2-for-3 for converting 36-hole leads into victory
- Earns his first made cut in his fourth career appearance at the Memorial Health Championship
- Owns 10 top-25s highlighted by four top-10s, including his victory, in 15 starts this season
- Split time last year between the PGA TOUR and Korn Ferry Tour; made 13 cuts over his 16 starts on TOUR with one top 10 (T7/Procore Championship), leading to a No. 169 finish in the FedEx Cup Fall
- Collected two top-10s in 11 starts during the 2024 Korn Ferry Tour season, leading to a No. 104 finish on the Korn Ferry Tour Points List

- Retained Korn Ferry Tour membership for the start of the 2025 season with a T19 finish at Final Stage of 2024 PGA TOUR Q-School presented by Korn Ferry (first 25 finishers and ties)
- Previously competed on the PGA TOUR during the 2021-22 and 2022-23 seasons, logging 11 top-25s and two top-10s over 60 starts (best finish: T5/2023 Mexico Open at Vidanta World)
- Earned PGA TOUR membership for the first time at the conclusion of the 2020-21 combined season with a No. 25 finish on the Korn Ferry Tour Points List

#### Additional Notes

- Korn Ferry Tour winner **Ben Taylor** (T2/-13) opens with four consecutive birdies (Nos. 10-13) following the near 4-hour weather delay and posts a bogey-free 7-under 64; earns the lowest opening 36-hole score of his career with 13-under 129 (previous best: 10-under 132/2017 AdventHealth Championship)
- First-round leader **Luke Guthrie** stands T2 at 13-under thru 13 holes; looks to stand inside the top-three following 36 holes for the first time across any PGA TOUR-sanctioned Tour since the 2019 UNC Health Championship presented by STITCH (T3/finished 6th)
- **Davis Chatfield** (T6/-11), who stands No. 6 on the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour Points List, is in line to stand inside the top-10 through 36 holes for the seventh time this season (has held the lead/co-lead in four of the instances)
- Winner of the 2025 Club Car Championship at The Landings Golf & Athletic Club, **Jeremy Gandon** (T6/-11), is in line to establish his second-best 36-hole position and best since the 2020 AdventHealth Championship (T4/finished T15)
- Rookie **Zach James** (T6/-11) is in line to stand inside the top-10 following 36 holes for the third time this season (most recent: 2nd/2025 Veritex Bank Championship/finished T2); finished T26 at Final Stage of 2024 PGA TOUR Q-School presented by Korn Ferry to earn Korn Ferry Tour membership this season
- **Sandy Scott** (T10/-9), who finished No. 8 in the 2024 Fortinet Cup on PGA TOUR Americas, cards a 6-under 65 to total 9-under 133; posts the lowest opening 36-hole score of his career (previous best: 6-under 134/twice)
- The No. 8 finisher in the 2025 PGA TOUR University Eligibility Ranking, **Omar Morales** (T15/-8), logs his first made cut and posts a career-low 7-under 64 in what is his third career start on the Korn Ferry Tour; began his round with an eagle on the par-4 10th and followed with birdies on Nos. 13, 17, 3, 5, and 6
- Second-year member **Ryan Burnett** (T15/-8) is in line to establish a career-high 36-hole position (previous: T20/2025 Veritex Bank Championship/finished T42); made a return to the Korn Ferry Tour after finishing No. 9 in the 2024 Fortinet Cup on PGA TOUR Americas off the strength of his win at the 2024 Bromont Open
- **Seungtaek Lee** stands T23 at 7-under thru 17\* and looks to extend his streak in consecutive made cuts, having made the weekend in each of his 14 starts this season
- **Ethan Davidson** and **Charlie Nikitas** are the two open qualifiers who stand T49 and are projected to make the current cut on the number at 5-under 137; both players are making their Korn Ferry Tour debuts this week; Nikitas currently holds PGA TOUR Americas membership after finishing No. 46 in the Fortinet Cup during Segment I to maintain status for Segment II (top 60 from standings)
- Cole Hammer and Nelson Ledesma were disqualified during the second round of the Memorial Health Championship under Rule 3.3 after self-reporting a breach of rules during the first round. The players violated Rule 10.2a on Advice on Hole 17 during Round 1
- Round 3 tee times will run from approximately 9:45 – 11:45 a.m. with groups teeing off Nos. 1 & 10