



Pre-Tournament Notes NV5 Invitational

July 24-27, 2025 • Glenview, Illinois
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156 players • Purse: \$1,000,000 (\$180,000/Winner)
Reigning Champion: Thomas Rosenmueller



THIS WEEK ON TOUR

- The 2025 Korn Ferry Tour season continues with the NV5 Invitational in Glenview, Illinois, the 19th event of the Tour's 26-event season.
- This year marks the seventh playing of the NV5 Invitational, and previous winners of the event include 17-time PGA TOUR winner Scottie Scheffler (2019), 2021-22 PGA TOUR Rookie of the Year Cameron Young (2021), and PGA TOUR winner Harry Hall (2022).
- The Glen Club hosts its sixth NV5 Invitational (2019, 2021-present; the 2020 tournament was contested at nearby Chicago Highlands Club). The Glen Club previously hosted the final six playings of the LaSalle Bank Open, a Korn Ferry Tour event from 2002-08.
- Chandler Blanchet** became the first wire-to-wire winner on Tour this season with his victory at last week's Price Cutter Charity Championship presented by Hiland Dairy Foods, capturing his first career Korn Ferry Tour title. Blanchet, the 12th first-time winner on Tour this year, posted a 27-under 261 en route to a three-stroke victory over runner-up **Patrick Welch**. Blanchet climbed to No. 7 on the Korn Ferry Tour Points List ahead of this week's event.
- At last year's NV5 Invitational, Thomas Rosenmueller matched the 72-hole tournament scoring record with a 25-under 259 to claim his first Korn Ferry Tour win with a two-stroke margin of victory over rookie Karl Vilips, propelling the Munich, Germany native to a No. 9 finish on the 2024 Korn Ferry Tour Points List to secure his first PGA TOUR card.
- PGA TOUR winner Karl Vilips (2nd) was one of four players to finish T7 or higher at the 2024 NV5 Invitational to earn PGA TOUR membership at season's end. Five of six players who finished T7 or higher but did not earn PGA TOUR membership are in this week's field: **Zach Bauchou** (T3), **Sam Bennett** (T3), **Davis Chatfield** (T3), **Carter Jenkins** (T7) and Korn Ferry Tour winner **Sudarshan Yellamaraju** (T7).

2025 KEY STORYLINES

- Justin Suh**, the 2022 Korn Ferry Tour Player of the Year, returned to the winner's circle earlier this season with a five-stroke victory at the 118th VISA Argentina Open presented by Macro in March. The win earned Suh an exemption for the 153rd Open Championship at Royal Portrush last week.
- Rookie **Neal Shipley** earned his second win of the season at The Ascendant presented by Blue, rallying from seven strokes back to claim a one-shot victory. His comeback marked the largest final-round come-from-behind win on the Korn Ferry Tour since the 2024 Astara Chile Classic presented by Scotiabank. With the win, Shipley became just the second multi-time winner this season, joining Austin Smotherman, and now stands No. 3 on the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour Points List.
- Austin Smotherman** became the first Korn Ferry Tour member to earn a #TOURBound declaration and secure PGA TOUR membership for the 2026 season. Across a three-week stretch in June, Smotherman won the BMW Charity Pro-Am presented by TD SYNEX and Memorial Health Championship presented by LRS, which vaulted him to the No. 1 position on the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour Points List, and effectively assured himself of a top 20 finish on the final Points List. Smotherman previously graduated from the Korn Ferry Tour following the 2020-21 season, after which he played three consecutive seasons on the PGA TOUR.
- Korn Ferry Tour rookie **Johnny Keefer** stands No. 2 on the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour Points List off the strength of his win at the 2025 Veritex Bank Championship and two runner-up finishes. In addition to five top-10s in 14 starts on Tour this season, Keefer earned starts in two of this year's major championships (PGA Championship/MC; U.S. Open/T61). Last year, Keefer finished No. 25 -- the final spot which awarded performance benefits -- in the 2024 PGA TOUR University Ranking, and finished No. 1 in the 2024 Fortinet Cup standings for the inaugural PGA TOUR Americas season.
- Canadian **Myles Creighton** earned his first Korn Ferry Tour title at the 2025 Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas Wichita Open, highlighted by an 11-under 59 in the third round. Creighton recorded the 15th sub-60 round in Korn Ferry Tour history, though he became only the third player to accomplish the feat and win the tournament.

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	Austin Smotherman [2] (-25 / 259)
July 10-13	The Ascendant presented by Blue	Neal Shipley [2] (-18 / 270)
July 17-20	Price Cutter Charity Championship presented by Hiland Dairy Foods	Chandler Blanchet (-27 / 261)

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 FIELD STORYLINES

- Field includes 14 PGA TOUR winners with 26 career victories, highlighted by **Ben Crane** with five career TOUR victories.
- The field features 52 Korn Ferry Tour winners - including all 16 winners from the 2025 season - with 77 career victories, led by four-time winner **Robby Shelton**.
- Eight players in this week's field are in the top 200 of the Official World Golf Ranking: **Johnny Keefe** (No. 86), **Neal Shipley** (No. 91), **Austin Smotherman** (No. 115), **S.H. Kim** (No. 140), **Kensei Hirata** (No. 143), **Hank Lebioda** (No. 161), **Chandler Blanchet** (No. 175) and **Trace Crowe** (No. 188).
- Past NV5 Invitational Champions **Trace Crowe**, who defeated Patrick Fishburn in a playoff to capture his first title during the 2023 season, and **Curtis Thompson**, who won at Chicago Highlands back in the 2020-21 season, are the only former winners in the field this week.
- This week's field includes two University of Illinois alumni: two-time Korn Ferry Tour winner **Luke Guthrie** and 2023 Korn Ferry Tour Rookie of the Year **Adrien Dumont de Chassart**.
- Additional players with ties to the state of Illinois include: two-time PGA TOUR winner **Kevin Streelman** (plays from Wheaton), open qualifier **Bradley Goldstein** (Highland Park native), as well as sponsor exemptions **Charlie Nikitas** (plays from Glenview) and **Dan Massello** (Chicago native).
- Preston Summerhays** (No. 135 on 2025 Korn Ferry Tour Points List) leads the eight players in the field from the top 10 of the 2025 PGA TOUR University Eligibility Ranking: **Ian Gilligan**, **Algot Kleen**, **Phichaksn Maichon**, **Omar Morales**, **Sebastian Moss**, **Pablo Ereno Perez**, and **Jackson Van Paris**.

PAST CHAMPIONS

Year	Player (Score)
2024..	Thomas Rosenmueller (-25 / 259)
2023.....	Trace Crowe (-25 / 259)*
2022	Harry Hall (-22 / 262)*
2021.....	Cameron Young (-18 / 266)
2020	Curtis Thompson (-17 / 271)
2019	Scottie Scheffler (-17 / 271)*

* - playoff victory

2024 LEADERBOARD

Pos.	Player	R1	R2	R3	R4	Total
1	Thomas Rosenmueller	66	64	63	66	259 (-25)
2	Karl Vilips	65	67	66	63	261 (-23)
T3	Zach Bauchou	65	66	66	65	262 (-22)
T3	Sam Bennett	67	64	64	67	262 (-22)
T3	Davis Chatfield	67	65	66	64	262 (-22)
T3	Steven Fisk	66	67	66	63	262 (-22)
T7	Tano Goya	69	62	67	65	263 (-21)
T7	Carter Jenkins	65	67	67	64	263 (-21)
T7	Paul Peterson	65	66	70	62	263 (-21)
T7	Sudarshan Yellamaraju	63	69	65	66	263 (-21)

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.

Players listed in **Bold Italics** are declared #TOURBound and are assured of a finish in the top 20 of the final Points List.

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

Rank	Player	Points
1	<i>Austin Smotherman</i>	1,745
2	Johnny Keefe	1,448
3	Neal Shipley	1,385
3	Hank Lebioda	1,384
5	S.H. Kim	1,313
6	Pierceson Coody	1,107
7	Chandler Blanchet	1,033
8	Davis Chatfield	981
9	Emilio Gonzalez	975
10	Jeremy Gandon	835
11	Pontus Nyholm	828
12	Josh Teater	826
13	Mitchell Meissner	822
14	Sudarshan Yellamaraju	817
15	S.T. Lee	804
16	Trace Crowe	797
17	Kensei Hirata	747
18	Justin Suh	713
19	Myles Creighton	691
20	Alvaro Ortiz	683
21	Logan McAllister	656
22	Kyle Westmoreland	646
23	Adrien Dumont de Chassart	629
24	Rick Lamb	616
25	Bryson Nimmer	609
26	Ross Steelman	604
27	Christo Lamprecht	562
28	Ian Holt	552
29	Kevin Dougherty	539
30	Cole Sherwood	523

TOURNAMENT SCORING RECORDS

Low 18-Hole Score:	60	Ryan McCormick (2023/R1)
Low 36-Hole Score:	125	Ryan Gerard (2024)
Low 54-Hole Score:	193	Trace Crowe (2023) Thomas Rosenmueller (2024)
Low 72-Hole Score:	259	Thomas Rosenmueller (2024) Patrick Fishburn, Trace Crowe (2023)
Largest Margin of Victory:	5	Cameron Young (2020)
Playoffs:	3	Most Recent: 2023 (Trace Crowe defeated Patrick Fishburn)

COURSE INFORMATION

The Glen Club	
Years Hosted:	2019, 2021-Present
Scoring Average (2024):	68.088 / -2.912
Toughest Hole (2024):	No. 14, Par 4, 540 yards (4.174 / +0.174)
Easiest Hole (2024):	No. 1, Par 5, 559 yards (4.406 / -0.594)
Front-Nine Average (2024):	34.367 / -1.633
Back-Nine Average (2024):	33.721 / -1.279