



Pinnacle Bank Championship presented by Woodhouse (21st of 26 events on 2025 Korn Ferry Tour Schedule) Tournament Media Site | Interview Transcripts

Omaha, Nebraska August 7 – 10, 2025 Points: 500 (winner)

The Club at Indian Creek Par/Yards: 36-35 – 71 / 7,721 Purse: \$1,000,000 / \$180,00 (winner)

Second-Round Notes - Friday, August 8, 2025

Cut: The 36-hole cut was made at 2-under 140 with 67 players advancing to the weekend.

Weather: Mostly sunny. High of 93. Wind S/SE at 8-20 mph, gusts up to 32 mph.

Leaderboard

Pos.	Player	R1	R2	Total	
1	Zach James	67	64	131 (-11)	
2	Matt Atkins	65	67	132 (-10)	
T3	Kevin Dougherty	70	63	133 (-9)	
	Runchanapong Youprayong	64	69	133 (-9)	
	Harry Hillier	65	68	133 (-9)	
	MJ Daffue	67	66	133 (-9)	
	Peter Kuest	63	70	133 (-9)	

Charting the Leader (stats entering week)

Category	Zach James
Age	29
2025 Korn Ferry Tour Points List	No. 57
Starts – Wins – Top-10s on Korn Ferry Tour in 2025	20-0-2
Starts – Wins – Top-10s in Korn Ferry Tour Career	20-0-2
Starts – Wins – Top-10s at Pinnacle Bank Championship	0-0-0

Zach James (1st/-11)

- Cards 7-under 64 via eight birdies against one bogey, including three birdies in his last four holes (Nos. 15-17) to take a one stroke lead over Matt Atkins
- Holds the first 36-hole lead/co-lead of his Korn Ferry Tour career in what is his 21st start on Tour (previous best: T2/2025 Veritex Bank Championship/finished T2)
- Owns four top-25 finishes in 20 starts this season, highlighted by two top-10s including a runner-up at the
 Veritex Bank Championship where he held the 18-hole co-lead
- Making first career appearance at the Pinnacle Bank Championship presented by Woodhouse
- Korn Ferry Tour rookie who finished T26 at Final Stage of 2024 PGA TOUR Q-School presented by Korn Ferry for Korn Ferry Tour membership this season
- Finished No. 116 in the 2024 Fortinet Cup standings on PGA TOUR Americas, which marked his first season with membership on a PGA TOUR-sanctioned tour
- Played five seasons at Southeastern Oklahoma State University (2014-19), an NCAA Division II program in Durant, Oklahoma; he earned nine collegiate victories and finished with a 72.13 career scoring average

Matt Atkins (2nd/-10)

• Follows a bogey-free first-round 6-under 65 with a clean 4-under 67 in Round 2; is the only player bogey-free through 36 holes

- Trails leader Zach James by one stroke and records a season-best 36-hole position; marks just his third career
 appearance inside the top two after 36 holes (others: T1/2024 Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas Wichita
 Open/finished T17; 1st/2017 DAP Championship/finished T6)
- Making his seventh career appearance at the Pinnacle Bank Championship presented by Woodhouse, having made two cuts in his previous starts (T13/2024, T31/2017)
- Missed the cut in 15 of 20 starts this season, and is currently ranked No. 115 on the Korn Ferry Tour Points List; ended a streak of 11 consecutive missed cuts with a 64th-place finish at The Ascendant presented by Blue, then notched his lone top-10 of the year (T9) two events later at the NV5 Invitational
- Has made 193 career starts on the Korn Ferry Tour, logging nine top-10 finishes, including two runners-up and one victory
- Played his lone season on the PGA TOUR in 2017-18, where he recorded six made cuts highlighted by one top-25 finish in 21 starts to finish No. 211 in the FedExCup standings to return to the Korn Ferry Tour
- Finished No. 50 on the 2024 Korn Ferry Tour Points List to earn exempt status for the 2025 season and record his best finish on the Points List since the 2017 season when he finished No. 19 to earn his first PGA TOUR card
- Secured his maiden Korn Ferry Tour title in his 49th career start at the 2017 El Bosque Mexico Championship by INNOVA, which in combination with two additional top-10s, helped earn Atkins his PGA TOUR card
- Turned professional in 2013 after playing collegiately at University of South Carolina-Aiken, where he earned Division II All-American honors in 2012 and 2013

Additional Notes

- First-round leader **Peter Kuest** (T3/-9) followed his opening 8-under 63 with a 1-under 70 to sit two strokes off the lead after 36 holes; marks his best 36-hole position of the season and second career-best, with his only other top-five standing after two rounds coming as co-leader at the 2024 Ascendant presented by Blue
- Rookie **Runchanapong Youprayong** (T3/-9) posts a career-best 36-hole position and first top-10 standing, surpassing his previous mark of T18 at the 2025 Tulum Championship at PGA Riviera Maya
- Class of 2023 Korn Ferry Tour graduate **Kevin Dougherty** (T3/-9) cards the low round of the day in 8-under 63 via an eagle on the par-5 seventh and seven birdies against one bogey; Dougherty stands inside the top-five following the second round for the first time this season (previous best: T8/Astara Chile Classic presented by Scotiabank/finished T15)
- First-year member **Harry Hillier** (T3/-9), who earned Korn Ferry Tour status this season with a No. 7 finish in the 2024 Fortinet Cup on PGA TOUR Americas, ends Round 2 inside the top five for the second time in his career; his best 36-hole position remains T1 at the Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas Wichita Open, where he went on to finish T7
- Second-year member **Christo Lamprecht** (T8/-8) carded a 4-under 67 in Round 2, highlighted by a 6-under 29 on the back nine that included two eagles and two birdies; eagled the par-5 15th and holed out for eagle at the par-4 18th his final hole of the day with both of his bogeys coming on the front nine
- Winner of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas Wichita Open, **Myles Creighton** (T50/-2), birdies his final four holes to make the cut on the number; Creighton entered the week No. 20 on the Korn Ferry Tour Points List off the strength of his victory and two additional top-25 finishes