

**2025 The Bahamas Great Abaco Classic at The Abaco Club**  
**(2nd of 26 events on 2025 Korn Ferry Tour Schedule)**

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Great Abaco, The Bahamas  
 The Abaco Club on Winding Bay

January 19-22, 2025  
 Par/Yards: 72 (36-36) / 7,141

Points: 500 (winner)  
 Purse: \$1,000,000 / \$180,00 (winner)

**Partial First-Round Notes – Sunday, January 19, 2025**

*The first round was suspended due to darkness at 5:45 p.m. ET and will resume Monday at 7 a.m., with 38 players needing to complete the first round. The second round will begin at 7:30 a.m.*

**Weather:** Partly cloudy. High of 78. Wind S/SW at 18-25 mph, gusts up to 25 mph.

**Leaderboard**

Pos.	Player	R1	Total
1	Luke Guthrie	65	65 (-7)
2	Austin Smotherman	67	67 (-5)
T3	Tanner Gore	68	68 (-4)
	Samuel Anderson	68	68 (-4)
	Hank Lebioda	68	68 (-4)
	Robby Shelton	68	68 (-4)
	Trace Crowe	68	68 (-4)
	Rob Oppenheim	68	68 (-4)
	Alistair Docherty	68	68 (-4)

**Charting the Leader**

Category	Luke Guthrie
Age	34
2025 Korn Ferry Tour Points List	No. 76
Starts – Wins – Top-10s on Korn Ferry Tour in 2024	0-0-0
Starts – Wins – Top-10s in Korn Ferry Tour Career	129-2-13
Starts – Wins – Top-10s at The Bahamas Great Abaco Classic at The Abaco Club	3-0-0

**Luke Guthrie (T1/-7)**

- Poised to hold the third first-round lead/co-lead of his Korn Ferry Tour Career in what is his 130th start on Tour (most recent; 2018 BMW Charity Pro-Am by TD SYNTEX/finished T24)
- Finished T76 at last week's The Bahamas Golf Classic at Atlantis Paradise Island in what was his first start on Tour since the 2023 season
- Making his fourth career start this week at The Bahamas Great Abaco Classic at The Abaco Club; made the cut in all three previous starts (best finish; T24/2017)
- Opening round 7-under 65 marks the lowest round of his career at The Bahamas Great Abaco Classic (previously; 68/R2/2018)
- Gained Korn Ferry Tour membership for the 2025 season by earning medalist honors at Second Stage of 2024 PGA TOUR Q-School presented by Korn Ferry, guaranteeing starts in the first eight events of the season
- Earned his first PGA TOUR card at the conclusion of the 2012 Korn Ferry Tour season; he captured victories at the WNB Golf Classic and Albertsons Boise Open presented by Chevron to secure a No. 2 finish on the Korn Ferry Tour money list
- Made 59 cuts in 106 starts on the PGA TOUR with seven top-10 finishes, including a podium finish at the 2013 Cognizant Classic in The Palm Beaches

- Played collegiately at University of Illinois for four seasons (2008-12), helping the Fighting Illini win four consecutive Big Ten Conference Championships and winning seven times as an individual, including a pair of Big Ten titles in 2011 and 2012
- Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida resident

#### **Additional Player Notes**

- Korn Ferry Tour winner **Austin Smotherman** (2nd/-5), who finished fourth in last week's season opener, posts a 5-under 68 and eyes his third made cut at The Bahamas Great Abaco Classic in what is his fourth career start in the event
  - The Dallas, Texas resident finished inside the top 25 in his two previous made cuts at The Bahamas Great Abaco Classic (T4/2024; T19/2020)
- **Tanner Gore** (T3/-4), who finished No. 66 on the 2024 Korn Ferry Tour Points List to earn fully exempt status for the 2025 season, holds the best 18-hole position of his career in what is his 30th start on Tour; surpasses his previous best first round position of T4 that he set last time out at The Bahamas Golf Classic at Atlantis Paradise Island
- First-year Korn Ferry Tour member **Samuel Anderson** (T3/-4), who earned medalist honors at Second Stage of 2024 PGA TOUR Q-School presented by Korn Ferry, records a 4-under 68 in Sunday's opening round
  - Made 16 starts on PGA TOUR Americas during the 2024 season, logging six made cuts and five top-10 finishes with a runner-up at the Diners Club Peru Open
- **Hank Lebioda** (T3/-4), who claimed his first career Korn Ferry Tour victory at last week's The Bahamas Golf Classic, is the only player in the field to complete the opening round bogey-free with a 4-under 68
- Korn Ferry Tour rookie **Johnny Keefer** (T13/-3), who finished No. 1 in the 2024 Fortinet Cup on PGA TOUR Americas to earn fully exempt status for the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour season, made four birdies in a five-hole stretch (Nos. 5, 6, 8, 9) against one bogey (No. 18) en route to a 3-under 69
  - Finished No. 25 in the 2024 PGA TOUR University rankings to earn exempt membership into North America Swing of the 2024 PGA TOUR Americas season
  - In 10 starts on PGA TOUR Americas last season, Keefer finished inside the top 10 in all but one start, recording four runners-up and one win (CentrePort Canada Rail Park Manitoba Open) to secure the No. 1 spot in the Fortinet Cup