



UNC Health Championship presented by STITCH (13th of 26 events on 2025 Korn Ferry Tour Schedule)

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Raleigh, North Carolina May 29-June 1, 2025 Points: 500 (winner)

Raleigh Country Club Par/Yards: 70 / 7,394 Purse: \$1,000,000 / \$180,00 (winner)

Third-Round Notes - Saturday, May 31, 2025

Cut: 66 professionals at 3-under 137 from a field of 156 professionals; the 36-hole cut was made upon conclusion of the second round, which resumed at 6:58 a.m. and concluded at 7:38 a.m.

Weather: Mixed skies. High of 76. Wind W 6-15 mph, gusts up to 25 mph.

Leaderboard

Pos.	Player	R1	R2	R3	Total
1	Trace Crowe	68	62	64	194 (-16)
2	Martin Laird	64	65	66	195 (-15)
3	Davis Chatfield	66	66	64	196 (-14)
4	Michael Johnson	65	69	64	198 (-12)

Charting the Leader (stats entering week)

Category	Trace Crowe
Age	28
2025 Korn Ferry Tour Points List	No. 37
Starts – Wins – Top-10s on Korn Ferry Tour in 2025	7-0-2
Starts – Wins – Top-10s in Korn Ferry Tour Career	45-1-5
Starts – Wins – Top-10s at UNC Health Championship	2-0-0

Trace Crowe (1st/-16)

- Korn Ferry Tour winner and Raleigh, North Carolina resident cards 6-under 64, highlighted by a hole-out eagle at the par-4 fifth, to take one-stroke lead at 16-under 194
- Holds second career 54-hole lead/co-lead on the Korn Ferry Tour, having converted his previous 54-hole lead into a sudden-death playoff victory at the 2023 NV5 Invitational
- Carded 8-under 62 in the second round, tying the second-lowest score in the six playings of the UNC Health Championship presented by STITCH at Raleigh Country Club (60/Jimmy Green/1998, Round 1; 62/Matt Gogel/1998, Round 1)
- As a PGA TOUR rookie, finished No. 148 on the 2024 FedExCup Fall standings, leaving him with conditional PGA TOUR status for the 2025 season
- Finished No. 38 on the 2023 Korn Ferry Tour Points List (top 30 earned PGA TOUR membership), but finished solo second at Final Stage of 2023 PGA TOUR Q-School presented by Korn Ferry to earn PGA TOUR membership for 2024
- Finished No. 138 on the 2022 Korn Ferry Tour Points List as a rookie
- Turned professional in 2020 and finished T91 at Final Stage of the 2021 Korn Ferry Tour Qualifying Tournament (now known as PGA TOUR Q-School presented by Korn Ferry)
- Played four seasons at Auburn (2015-19), winning three times individually and earning All-Southeastern Conference Second Team laurels in 2017 and 2019

Martin Laird (2nd/-15)

• Four-time PGA TOUR winner and 36-hole leader cards 4-under 66, sits one stroke off the lead at 15-under 195

- Making his first Korn Ferry Tour start since September 2020, stands higher than T6 through 54 holes of a Korn Ferry Tour event for the second time in what is his 50th career start on Tour (previous: 1st/2007 Athens Regional Foundation Classic/Won)
- Last stood T2 or higher through 54 holes of either a PGA TOUR or Korn Ferry Tour event at the 2022 Barracuda Championship (2nd/finished 3rd)
- Earned PGA TOUR victories at the 2009 Justin Timberlake Shriners Hospitals for Children Open, 2011 Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard, 2013 Valero Texas Open, and 2020 Shriners Hospitals for Children Open; his lone Korn Ferry Tour victory came at the 2007 Athens Regional Foundation Classic
- Entered the 2025 season having played 17 consecutive seasons on the PGA TOUR; he finished No. 147 in the 2024 FedExCup Fall for conditional status for the 2025 TOUR season
- Played two previous seasons on the Korn Ferry Tour, finishing No. 156 in the 2005 standings, and earning PGA TOUR membership with a No. 13 finish in the 2007 standings
- Turned professional in 2004 after four seasons at Colorado State University (2000-04), where he earned six collegiate victories; he was inducted into the Colorado State Athletics Hall of Fame in 2017

Davis Chatfield (3rd/-14)

- Seeking first Korn Ferry Tour win in what is his 62nd career start on Tour
- Stands two strokes off the 54-hole lead at 14-under 196; he has two bogeys through 54 holes, tied for the fewest over-par holes in the field this week (Ross Steelman/one bogey, one double bogey)
- Stands in the top three through 54 holes of a Korn Ferry Tour event for the fifth time in his career and fourth time this season (1st/2025 Tulum Championship at PGA Rivera Maya/finished T10; 2nd/2025 Astara Chile Classic presented by Scotiabank/finished 2nd; T2/2025 Panama Championship/finished T17)
- One of two players on Tour to stand T3 or higher through 54 holes at least three times this season (Johnny Keefer/three)
- Finished No. 44 on the 2024 Korn Ferry Tour Points List to maintain fully exempt membership for the 2025 season; he previously finished No. 62 on the 2023 Korn Ferry Tour Points List as a rookie
- Played five seasons at University of Notre Dame (2017-22), where he was a 2022 All-Atlantic Coast Conference Team selection
- Quarterfinalist at the 2021 U.S. Amateur Championship at Oakmont Country Club, host of the 2025 U.S. Open

Additional Notes

- Michael Johnson (4th/-12), who finished No. 69 on the 2024 Korn Ferry Tour Points List, stands in the top four through 54 holes of a Korn Ferry Tour event for the third time in his career (1/2018 UNC Health Championship presented by STITCH/finished T4; T1/2025 LECOM Suncoast Classic/finished T20)
- Korn Ferry Tour winner and 2025 Korn Ferry Tour Points List leader **Johnny Keefer** (T7/-10) stands inside the top 10 through 54 holes for the third time in his last four starts, and for the sixth time this season
- Raleigh native **Carter Jenkins** (T16/-8) cards 3-under 67, while Campbell University alum **Pontus Nyholm** (T25/-6), who won last week's Visit Knoxville Open for his first Korn Ferry Tour title, cards even-par 70