



2025 Bank of Utah Championship (Fourth of seven FedExCup Fall events)

Black Desert Resort October 23-26, 2025 FedExCup Points: 500 (winner)
Ivins, Utah Par/Yards: 36-35—71/7,421 Purse: \$6 million (\$1,080,000)

Third-Round Notes – Saturday, October 25, 2025

Weather: Partly cloudy. High of 77. Variable wind 3-8 mph.

## **Third-Round Leaderboard**

Pos.	Player	R1	R2	R3	Total
1	Michael Brennan	67	65	64	196 (-17)
2	Matt McCarty	69	65	64	198 (-15)
T3	Rico Hoey	68	68	63	199 (-14)
T3	Kevin Yu	67	69	63	199 (-14)
T3	Pierceson Coody	69	64	66	199 (-14)

## Michael Brennan (1st/-17)

- In his third career PGA TOUR start and first as a professional, claims a two-stroke lead entering the final round
- Cards a 64 via seven birdies and one eagle (par-5 seventh) against one double bogey (par-4 second)
- Leads the field this week in Strokes Gained: Off the Tee (5.912) and Driving Distance (359.2)
- Two PGA TOUR starts as an amateur prior to this week: 2022 Genesis Invitational (MC), 2023 U.S. Open (MC)
- Won three times on PGA TOUR Americas in 2025 and finished No. 1 in the 2025 Fortinet Cup standings to earn fully exempt status on the Korn Ferry Tour in 2026
- Posted 12 top-10s in 16 starts on PGA TOUR Americas in 2025, with his three victories coming in a span of four starts in August and September
- Finished No. 12 in the 2024 PGA TOUR University Ranking to earn membership on PGA TOUR Americas for the 2024 season; earned eight individual victories in four seasons at Wake Forest, including back-to-back victories at the ACC Championships in 2023 and 2024
- With a win, would become the 14<sup>th</sup> first-time winner this season and the first sponsor exemption to win on TOUR since Nick Dunlap at the 2024 American Express
- Seeks to become the seventh player since 1970 to win his first PGA TOUR title within his first three career starts
  - Would become the fifth player to win his first title in his third career start and the first since Matt McCarty at the
     2024 Bank of Utah Championship

Fewest starts before first PGA TOUR win (since 1970)				
1	Jim Benepe (1988 BMW Championship)			
2	Garrick Higgo (2021 Palmetto Championship at Congaree)			
3	Matt McCarty (2024 Black Desert Championship), Russell Henley (2013 Sony Open in Hawaii), Seve Ballesteros (1978 Wyndham Championship), Bob Gilder (1976 WM Phoenix Open)			

## **Miscellaneous Notes**

Defending champion Matt McCarty (2<sup>nd</sup>/-15) cards a sub-30 score on the back nine at Black Desert Resort for the second consecutive round (R2/28, R3/29); seeks to become the first player to successfully defend a title on TOUR since Scottie Scheffler (2024, 2025 Memorial Tournament presented by Workday); with a win, would become the first player to earn his first two TOUR victories at the same event in back-to-back years since K.H. Lee (2021, 2022 CJ CUP Byron Nelson)

- Second-year member **Rico Hoey** (T3/-14) cards an 8-under 63 and leads the field in Strokes Gained: Tee to Green (10.848) and Strokes Gained: Approach the Green (7.383); ranks 91<sup>st</sup> in the FedExCup Fall standings and owns four top-10 finishes in 27 starts this season, highlighted by a T4 in his most recent start at the Baycurrent Classic
- 2024 Sanderson Farms Championship winner **Kevin Yu** (T3/-14) cards a bogey-free 63 and sits inside the top five entering the final round for the third time this season (T3/RBC Canadian Open/finished 3<sup>rd</sup>; T5/Valspar Championship/T12); No. 61 in the FedExCup Fall standings, seeks to finish inside the top 60 to secure starts in next season's Genesis Invitational and AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am via Aon Next 10 (Nos. 51-60 from final 2025 FedExCup Fall standings)
- Three-time Korn Ferry Tour winner **Pierceson Coody** (T3/-14) seeks his first PGA TOUR title in his 50<sup>th</sup> start; playing with conditional status on TOUR in 2025, finished No. 12 in the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour points list to regain his TOUR card in 2026; No. 133 in the FedExCup Fall standings, lone top-10 finish this season was T3 at the 3M Open
- Hayden Springer (T6/-13) posts 6-under 29 on the back nine en route to a 62 for the low round of the day; lowest round on TOUR this season and second lowest of his career (59/2024 John Deere Classic/R1); No. 131 in the FedExCup Fall standings, began season with conditional status after finishing 126<sup>th</sup> in 2024 FedExCup Fall standings; best finish this year: 6<sup>th</sup>/Farmers Insurance Open
- Eight-time DP World Tour winner **Thorbjørn Olesen** (T6/-13), No. 116 in the FedExCup Fall standings, seeks to become the first player from Denmark to win on the PGA TOUR
- In his 13<sup>th</sup> career PGA TOUR start and 10<sup>th</sup> as a professional, **David Ford** (T8/-12) seeks his first top-10 finish; since joining the TOUR in May, has two made cuts, with a T44 in his most recent start at the Sanderson Farms Championship his best finish
- Two players with ties to Utah who made the cut: Zac Blair (T19/-9) and Connor Howe (T52/-5)

## FedExCup Fall Notes

- The 2025 Bank of Utah Championship is the fourth event of the FedExCup Fall, a group of seven tournaments played after the TOUR Championship that finalizes eligibility for the 2026 PGA TOUR Season
- Winners of events during the FedExCup Fall receive the similar benefits of winners of Full-Field Events during the Regular Season, including 500 FedExCup points, Official World Golf Ranking points, a two-year PGA TOUR exemption (exempt thru 2026) and invitations to The Sentry, THE PLAYERS Championship and PGA Championship
- The Aon Next 10 is an eligibility pathway that awards access into Signature Events (outside of The Sentry), recognizing the top 10 players, not otherwise exempt, from the FedExCup standings; Nos. 51-60 in the final FedExCup Fall standings at the conclusion of The RSM Classic will serve as the Aon Next 10 for the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am and The Genesis Invitational