

**Korn Ferry Tour Championship presented by Virginia's Richmond Region
(25th of 25 events on 2026 Korn Ferry Tour Schedule)**

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Glen Allen, Virginia
The Federal Club

October 8-11, 2026
Par/Yards: 71 / 7,073

Points: 600 (winner)
Purse: \$1,500,000 / \$270,00 (winner)

Second-Round Notes – Friday, October 9, 2026

Weather: Partly cloudy. High of 77. Wind N-NW 3-8 mph, gusts of 10 mph.

[Leaderboard](#)

Pos.	Player	R1	R2	Total
1	Blades Brown	68	61	129 (-13)
T2	Austin Hitt	68	62	130 (-12)
	Ian Holt	64	66	130 (-12)
	Barend Botha	65	65	130 (-12)
T5	Four Players Tied			132 (-10)

Charting the Leader (stats entering week)

Category	Blades Brown
Age	19
2026 Korn Ferry Tour Points List	No. 14
Starts – Wins – Top-10s on Korn Ferry Tour in 2026	17-0-5
Starts – Wins – Top-10s in Korn Ferry Tour Career	31-0-7
Starts – Wins – Top-10s at Korn Ferry Tour Championship	1-0-0

Blades Brown (1st/-13)

- Cards back-to-back eagles at the par-5 ninth and 10th, birdies the final five holes en route to 10-under 61
- Holds his second 36-hole lead/co-lead in what is his 32nd career start on the Korn Ferry Tour (previous: 2026 Colonial Life Charity Classic/finished T16)
 - At 18 years, 11 months, 24 days of age, became the second-youngest 36-hole leader/co-leader in Korn Ferry Tour history at the 2026 Colonial Life Charity Classic
 - At 19 years, 4 months, 18 days of age today, becomes the third-youngest 36-hole leader/co-leader in Korn Ferry Tour history
- Stands No. 14 on the 2026 Korn Ferry Tour Points List and is the highest-ranked player yet to be declared TourBound
- Bidding to become the youngest graduate in Korn Ferry Tour history (current: Jason Day, 19 years, 11 months, 23 days in 2007)
- Holds Special Temporary Membership on the PGA Tour and owns seven top-25s in 11 starts on Tour this season, highlighted by a solo third at the 2026 Puerto Rico Open
- Previously earned Special Temporary Membership and finished No. 68 on the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour Points List
- Recorded a T2 finish as a 17-year-old professional at the 2025 Veritex Bank Championship, the highest finish by a player under the age of 18 in Korn Ferry Tour history, usurping 17-year-old Si Woo Kim's T11 finish at the 2013 Mid-Atlantic Championship
- Named the 2024 AJGA Rolex Junior Player of the Year and turned professional on December 17, 2024 at 17 years of age

Additional Notes

- **Ross Steelman** (T24/-5) is the only player who can pass **Sandy Scott** (T44/-1) for the No. 1 position on the 2026 Korn Ferry Tour Points List; he is currently projected to finish No. 1
 - While the top 20 players on the 2026 Korn Ferry Tour Points List earn PGA Tour membership, the No. 1 player also earns exemptions for the 2027 Players Championship and 2027 U.S. Open
- **Austin Hitt** (T2/-12), who stands No. 22 on the 2026 Korn Ferry Tour Points List and is seeking his first PGA Tour card, matches his season-high 36-hole position (Visit Knoxville Open/finished T23)
- **Barend Botha** (T2/-12), who stands No. 38 on the 2026 Korn Ferry Tour Points List, needs a minimum finish of solo second to potentially move into the top 20 of the standings and earn his first PGA Tour card; he finished solo second at the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour Championship presented by Virginia's Richmond Region, where a victory would have earned him PGA Tour membership for 2026
- **Ian Holt** (T2/-12), the 18-hole leader, is bidding to achieve the Three-Victory Promotion, which would grant him an immediate promotion to the PGA Tour and eligibility for the remaining 2026 FedExCup Fall events; the last player to achieve the Three-Victory Promotion was Matt McCarty (2024)
- Two players are currently projected to move into the top 20:
 - **Yuta Sugiura** (T24/-5) – started No. 21, projected No. 20
 - **Austin Hitt** (T2/-12) – started No. 22, projected No. 14
- Two players are currently projected to fall out of the top 20:
 - **Ben Kohles** (not in field) – started No. 19, projected No. 22
 - **Cole Hammer** (T33/-3) – started No. 20, projected No. 21