

## 2026 The Bahamas Golf Classic at Atlantis Paradise Island

(1st of 25 events on 2026 Korn Ferry Tour Schedule)

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Paradise Island, The Bahamas  
Ocean Club Golf Course at Atlantis

January 11-14, 2026  
Par/Yards: 72 (36-36) / 7,159

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

### Partial First-Round Notes – Sunday, January 11, 2026

The first round was suspended due to darkness at 5:40 p.m. ET and will resume Monday at 7:30 a.m., with 15 players needing to complete the first round. The second round will begin as scheduled.

**Weather:** Sunny. High of 80. Wind SE 5-10 mph.

### Leaderboard

Pos.	Player	Total
T1	J.M. Butler	62 (-10)
T1	Justin Suh	62 (-10)
T3	Ben Kohles	63 (-9)
T3	Ben Martin	63 (-9)
T5	Eight players tied	64 (-8)

### Charting the Co-leaders

Category	J.M. Butler	Justin Suh
Age	24	28
2025 Korn Ferry Tour Points List	---	No. 24
Starts – Wins – Top-10s on Korn Ferry Tour in 2025	0-0-0	23-1-3
Starts – Wins – Top-10s in Korn Ferry Tour Career	0-0-0	53-2-13
Starts – Wins – Top-10s at The Bahamas Golf Classic at Atlantis Paradise Island	0-0-0	2-0-0

### J.M. Butler (T1/-10)

- Cards a bogey-free 10-under 62 in his Korn Ferry Tour debut, highlighted by a hole out for eagle on the par-4 17th from 117 yards
- Earned Korn Ferry Tour membership for the first time this season with a No. 7 finish on the 2025 PGA TOUR Americas Points List
- Recorded six top-25 finishes with two top 10s, including a win at the 2025 Bupa Championship en route to his No. 7 finish on the points list
- In his rookie season, he finished No. 80 on the 2024 PGA TOUR Americas Points List to secure exempt membership for the 2025 PGA TOUR Americas season
- Earned PGA TOUR Americas membership for the second half of the 2024 season through PGA TOUR Americas Mid-Season Q-School
- Turned professional in 2024 after four seasons at Auburn University (2020-24), where he earned Second Team All-Southeastern Conference honors (2024) and served as team captain of the 2024 National Championship team

### Justin Suh (T1/-10)

- Posts a 29 on his back nine with seven birdies, including a stretch of six consecutive (Nos. 2 – 7), en route to a 10-under 62 with 11 total birdies and one bogey on the day
- Finished No. 24 on the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour Points List off the strength of three top-10 finishes and a win at the 118 VISA Argentina Open presented by Macro, his second career win on Tour

- Making his third career start at The Bahamas Golf Classic at Atlantis Paradise Island (best finish: T55/2022)
- Finished No. 1 on the 2022 Korn Ferry Tour Points List to earn his first PGA TOUR card, fueled by a victory at the 2022 Korn Ferry Tour Championship presented by Virginia's Richmond Region to claim the top spot
- Recipient of the Jack Nicklaus Award as the 2022 Korn Ferry Tour Player of the Year
- Owns 89 PGA TOUR starts with 50 made cuts and five top-10 finishes (best: 4th/2023 World Wide Technology Championship)
- Played collegiately for four seasons at University of Southern California (2015-19), where he was a 2018 and 2019 All-America First Team selection, a three-time All-Pac-12 Conference First Team honoree, and the 2018 Pac-12 Player of the Year

#### **Additional Player Notes**

- PGA TOUR Winner **Ben Martin** (T3/-9) opens with a 9-under 63 with 10 birdies and one bogey, including a streak of seven consecutive birdies (Nos. 6 – 12)
- Colombian **Camilo Villegas** (T5/-8) – a five-time winner on the PGA TOUR – carded a bogey-free 8-under 64 in the opening round, highlighted by six birdies in his final nine holes
- Former champion **Jeremy Paul** (T5/-8), who won the 2024 The Bahamas Golf Classic at Atlantis Paradise Island, opens with a bogey-free 8-under 64, his lowest round in a PGA TOUR-sanctioned event since the 2024 Mexico Open at Vidanta World (Round 1/64)
- Bahamian **Cameron Riley**, a Freeport native who played collegiately at Florida A&M, sits at 3-under thru 15 holes