



2026 Valero Texas Open
(13th of 34 FedExCup Regular Season events)

San Antonio, Texas
TPC San Antonio (Oaks Course)

April 2-5, 2026
Par/Yards: 36-36—72/7,438

FedExCup points: 500 (winner)
Purse: \$9,800,000 (\$1,764,000/winner)

Pre-Tournament Information - 2026 Valero Texas Open

Player Interviews (all times local CT)

Tuesday, March 31

3 p.m. – Tommy Fleetwood

Wednesday, April 1

1:00 p.m. – Johnny Keefe

After 12:35 p.m. 9-hole pro-am – Brian Harman

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Tommy Fleetwood

- 2025 FedExCup Champion is the highest-ranked player in the field at No. 4 in the Official World Golf Ranking
- Making third consecutive start in the Valero Texas Open (T7/2024, T62/2025)
- Finished T8 or better in three of four starts this season: T4/AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, T7/Genesis Invitational, T8/PLAYERS Championship
- In his last 10 PGA TOUR starts, owns seven top-10 finishes, highlighted by a win at the 2025 TOUR Championship

Brian Harman

- Defending champion returns to TPC San Antonio where he clinched a three-stroke margin of victory last year
- In the 2025 Valero Texas Open, held a four-stroke lead after 36 holes and three-stroke lead after 54 holes; final-round 75 was the highest by a winner on TOUR since 2020 (Jon Rahm/Memorial Tournament presented by Workday)
- Has four wins in 398 PGA TOUR starts (2014 John Deere Classic, 2017 Truist Championship, 2023 Open Championship, 2025 Valero Texas Open)
- In seven starts this season, owns five made cuts and two top-25 finishes (T19/AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, T11/THE PLAYERS Championship)
- Enters the week No. 55 in the FedExCup standings
- Finished the 2025 season No. 13 in the FedExCup standings, his best finish in 14 seasons on TOUR
- Making ninth career appearance in the Valero Texas Open where his best finish prior to winning was T16 in 2014

Johnny Keefe

- PGA TOUR rookie and San Antonio resident making his tournament debut
- Coming off his best finish in 14 career PGA TOUR starts with a T3 at last week's Texas Children's Houston Open
- In his rookie season on TOUR, owns five made cuts in eight starts and sits at No. 60 in the FedExCup standings
- Played five seasons collegiately at Baylor University where he broke the school record for career scoring average (71.45) previously established by six-time PGA TOUR winner Jimmy Walker (71.55 from 1997-2001)
- Earned PGA TOUR Americas status upon graduation by finishing No. 25 in the 2024 PGA TOUR University Ranking; finished No. 1 in the Fortinet Cup Standings after nine top-10s and one win, earning 2025 Korn Ferry Tour status
- Finished No. 1 on the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour Points List following two victories and seven additional top-10 finishes in 23 starts; named both the Player of the Year and Rookie of the Year for the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour season, joining Scottie Scheffler (2019) and Sungjae Im (2018) as the only players to win both awards in a single season
- By virtue of his No. 1 finish on the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour Points List, earned exemptions for the 2026 PLAYERS Championship (MC) and 2026 U.S. Open

Valero Texas Open notes:

- The field includes 15 of the top 50 players in the Official World Golf Ranking, headlined by two players inside the top 10: No. 4 **Tommy Fleetwood** and No. 10 **Russell Henley**
- The last spot in the Masters Tournament is available to the winner of the Valero Texas Open if not otherwise qualified. There are currently 22 players in the field that are exempt for the Masters Tournament, with the majority of the field having a chance to earn the final spot in the Masters Tournament field.
 - Three of the last six winners of the Valero Texas Open qualified for the Masters Tournament with their victory (2019/Corey Connors, 2022/J.J. Spaun, 2024/Akshay Bhatia)

- Among the players who will need to win to qualify for the Masters Tournament include six-time PGA TOUR winners **Tony Finau** and **Rickie Fowler**. Fowler seeks his 12th career appearance in the Masters Tournament while Finau is bidding for his ninth appearance.
- Players in the field already invited to the Masters: **Ludvig Åberg, Tommy Fleetwood, Brian Harman, Russell Henley, Max Homa, Johnny Keefer, Michael Kim, Si Woo Kim, Haotong Li, Robert MacIntyre, Hideki Matsuyama, Matt McCarty, Maverick McNealy, Alex Noren, Andrew Novak, Marco Penge, Kristoffer Reitan, J.J. Spaun, Jordan Spieth, Sepp Straka, Nick Taylor, Sami Valimaki**
- Additional field features:
 - Five past champions: **Jimmy Walker** (2015), **Charley Hoffman** (2016), **Jordan Spieth** (2021), **J.J. Spaun** (2022), **Brian Harman** (2025)
 - Three players who finished inside the top 10 at last week's Texas Children's Houston Open: **Johnny Keefer** (T3), **Sudarshan Yellamaraju** (T6), **Bronson Burgoon** (T10)
 - Sponsor exemptions: **Ryan Palmer, Brandt Snedeker, Camilo Villegas, Jimmy Walker**
 - Section Champion: **Austin Wylie**

PGA TOUR season trends:

- **Winners in their 40s:** Gary Woodland won last week's Texas Children's Houston Open, becoming just the second player (third instance) in his 40s to win on TOUR in the last 96 events (Justin Rose/2025 FedEx St. Jude Championship, 2026 Farmers Insurance Open).
- **54-hole Leaders:** Through 12 events of the 2026 PGA TOUR Season, only four players have successfully converted the 54-hole lead/co-lead into victory (Justin Rose/Farmers Insurance Open, Jacob Bridgeman/The Genesis Invitational, Ricky Castillo/Puerto Rico Open, Gary Woodland/Texas Children's Houston Open).
- **More Lead Notes:** Gary Woodland led or co-led after 52 holes en route to victory in Houston, the second most by a winner on TOUR this season (57, Justin Rose/Farmers Insurance Open).
- **First-Time Winners:** Of the 12 events played on TOUR this season, there have only been two first-time winners: Jacob Bridgeman (The Genesis Invitational) and Ricky Castillo (Puerto Rico Open). Of the 15 winners of the Valero Texas Open since the event moved to TPC San Antonio in 2010, six recorded their first PGA TOUR win at the event, most recently J.J. Spaun in 2022.
- **Close Calls:** Seven of the last nine TOUR events have either been decided by one stroke or in a playoff (other: Cognizant Classic in The Palm Beaches/2 strokes, Texas Children's Houston Open/5 strokes)

Aon Swing 5 and Next 10:

- The Valero Texas Open is the fourth and final tournament that counts toward the Aon Swing 5 for the next Signature Event, RBC Heritage (April 16-19). The top five players who earn the most FedExCup points at the Puerto Rico Open, Valspar Championship, Texas Children's Houston Open and Valero Texas Open will qualify for the RBC Heritage.
*Aon Swing 5 entering the Valero Texas Open (**bold** = in the field):*

Rank	Player	Points
1	David Lipsky	310.578
2	Chandler Blanchet	207.063
3	Jordan Smith	200.875
4	Johnny Keefer	162.500
5	Marco Penge	115.000

- **Aon Next 10:** The Aon Next 10 for the RBC Heritage will be determined by top 10 FedExCup points earners, not already exempt, through the Masters Tournament. *Aon Next 10 entering the Valero Texas Open (**bold** = in the field):*

Rank	Player	Points
1	Jake Knapp	768.750
2	Nico Echavarria	671.000
3	Nicolai Højgaard	634.500
4	Sahith Theegala	612.141
5	Ryo Hisatsune	578.606
6	Adam Scott	568.804
7	Gary Woodland	560.900
8	Sudarshan Yellamaraju	485.845
9	Ricky Castillo	476.500
10	Patrick Rodgers	465.992