



Manitoba Open

Elmhurst Golf & Country Club | Springfield, Manitoba | August 20-23

Pre-Tournament Notes – August 19, 2026

PGA TOUR Americas Season: 11th of 15 events

PGA TOUR Americas Points: 500 (winner)

Purse: \$225,000 USD (\$40,500 winner)

Resources: [Tee Times](#) | [Leaderboard](#) | [PGA TOUR Media](#)

Five events remain in the PGA TOUR Americas season, and the schedule resumes this week at the Manitoba Open. The tournament began in 1919 and has been a PGA TOUR-sanctioned event since 2013, and this year, the Donald Ross-designed Elmhurst Golf & Country Club hosts for the first time since 1999.

Past champions include PGA TOUR members Johnny Keefer (2024), Hayden Springer (2023), Parker Coody (2022), Tyler McCumber (2018) and C.T. Pan (2015). Last year, the Manitoba Open was played at Breezy Bend Country Club and Theo Humphrey won the event, which was shortened to 36 holes due to weather.

Player Notes

Thomas Ponder (Dothan, Alabama) moved to No. 1 on the points list with his win at the Explore NB Open, and he added to his lead with third-place finishes in his next two starts. The third-year pro out of the University of Alabama leads the Tour with eight top-10s and 5.25 birdies per round, and his 67.23 scoring average (10 starts) is second only to Lance Simpson (66.88 in four starts).

Étienne Papineau (Saint-Jean-sur-Richelieu, Quebec) won the Osprey Valley Open three weeks ago on the second playoff hole at TPC Toronto, the Tour's most recent event. It was his first TOUR-sanctioned win since the 2023 Digital Commerce Group Open on PGA TOUR Canada, and he improved 22 spots to No. 5 on the season-long points list.

Papineau became the sixth Canadian to win on PGA TOUR Americas, joining Joey Savoie (2026 Kia Open de Ecuador presentado por Diners Club), Drew Nesbitt (2025 Digital Commerce Group Open), A.J. Ewart (2024 Elk Ridge Saskatchewan Open), Stuart Macdonald (2024 Diners Club Peru Open) and Matthew Anderson (2024 ECP Brazil Open).

Jack Lundin (Sioux Falls, South Dakota) is one of three players (Thomas Ponder, Connor Howe) who has made the cut in all 10 events this season on PGA TOUR Americas. A third-year pro out of the University of Missouri, Lundin has three top-five finishes, including a pair of playoff losses, and is No. 4 on the points list.

Connor Howe (Ogden, Utah) joins Lundin and Ponder as the only three players with 10 made cuts this season. He has three top-10s, including a T3 at the Osprey Valley Open, and is No. 17 on the points list. Howe finished No. 18 in the PGA TOUR University Class of 2023 after five seasons at Georgia Tech, where he was teammates with current Korn Ferry Tour points leader Ross Steelman for two seasons (2021-23).

Lance Simpson (Knoxville, Tennessee) hasn't missed a cut since turning pro in June, including top-10 finishes in his last three starts. The University of Tennessee product earned membership by finishing No. 11 in the PGA TOUR University Class of 2026, and he's No. 16 on the points list in just four starts.

PGA TOUR Americas Points List

1. [Thomas Ponder](#) (USA)
2. [Corey Pereira](#) (USA)
3. [Patrick Flavin](#) (USA)
4. [Jack Lundin](#) (USA)
5. [Étienne Papineau](#) (Canada)
6. [Drew Doyle](#) (USA)
7. [Joey Savoie](#) (Canada)
8. [Patrick Sheehan](#) (USA)
9. [Dawson Armstrong](#) (USA)
10. [Riley Lewis](#) (USA)

At the end of the season, the top 10 players on the final [PGA TOUR Americas Points List](#) earn Korn Ferry Tour membership for the 2027 season.

Since its inaugural season in 2024, PGA TOUR Americas has prepared players for success at the highest levels. Johnny Keefer (2024) and Michael Brennan (2025) each finished No. 1 on the PGA TOUR Americas Points List and continued progressing on the path to the PGA TOUR. Keefer earned his PGA TOUR card for the 2026 season after finishing No. 1 on the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour Points List, while Brennan earned PGA TOUR membership by winning the 2025 Bank of Utah Championship during the FedExCup Fall.

PGA TOUR Americas – 2026 Season Summary

Dates	Tournament	Champion
April 16-19	71st ECP Brazil Open	Mason Greene
April 23-26	94 Abierto del Centro Zurich presentado por Personal	Patrick Flavin
May 14-17	Diners Club Peru Open	Cole Anderson
May 21-24	KIA Open de Ecuador presentado por Diners Club	Joey Savoie
June 4-7	Mexico Championship presented by Scotia Wealth Management	Corey Pereira
June 11-14	Inter Rapisissimo Golf Championship	Drew Doyle
June 25-28	Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas Wichita Open presented by Syndeo	Dawson Armstrong
July 9-12	Explore NB Open	Thomas Ponder
July 16-19	Commissionaires Ottawa Open presented by Lépine Apartments	Mateo Fernández de Oliveira
July 23-26	Osprey Valley Open	Étienne Papineau
Aug. 20-23	Manitoba Open	
Aug. 27-30	CRMC Championship presented by Northern Pacific Center	
Sept. 10-13	Digital Commerce Group Open	
Sept. 17-20	ATB Classic presented by Building Trades of Alberta	
Oct. 15-18	Dominican Republic Tour Championship presented by Scotiabank	

About PGA TOUR Americas

PGA TOUR Americas identifies and prepares the game's future stars as players compete to earn membership on the Korn Ferry Tour and eventually the PGA TOUR. The 2026 schedule consists of 15 events in nine countries, and the season culminates in October with the Dominican Republic Tour Championship presented by Scotiabank, where the top 10 players on the season-long points list earn Korn Ferry Tour membership the following season.

Since the inaugural PGA TOUR Americas season in 2024, Johnny Keefer (2024) and Michael Brennan (2025) have finished No. 1 on the PGA TOUR Americas points list, and both players earned their PGA TOUR cards for the 2026 season.

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