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Former CU golfer Tolan in 'The Show'

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Congrats to former Colorado golfer Derek Tolan. Through Monday qualifying, Tolan earned a spot in this week's PGA Tour event, the Valero Texas Open.

It marked the first time in five tries that Tolan got through Monday qualifying, his fourth attempt this year. Tolan shot 68 at the The Club at Comanche to become one of four players that advanced with that score. The Thursday-through-Sunday tour event will be played at San Antonio's TPC Course.

This won't be Tolan's first PGA Tour event, although he will be competing as a professional for the first time. Tolan qualified for the 2002 U.S. Open at Bethpage as a 16-year-old student at ThunderRidge High School.

The great thing about playing in a PGA Tour event is your life can change seemingly overnight. If Tolan can catch lightning in a bottle and win the tournament, he would earn a full, two-year exemption on the PGA Tour. Finishing up high on the leaderboard would, at the very least, get him sponsor's exemptions to subsequent tour events.

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