

**Bank of Hope LPGA Match-Play presented by MGM Rewards**  
Shadow Creek | Las Vegas, Nev. | May 24-28, 2023

Wednesday First-Round Notes  
May 24, 2023

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**Course Setup:** 37-35—72, 6,645 yards

**Weather:** Sunny, dry and breezy conditions throughout the day, periodic gusts later in the afternoon between 25-28 mph; highs in the afternoon reaching 96F

**Purse:** \$1.5 million; winner's portion is \$225,000

**Competition Format:** 64 players, divided into 16 groups of four; after three days of round-robin matches, competition moves to a 16-player, single-elimination bracket

**Scoring:** Win – 1 point, Tie – ½ point, Lose – 0 points

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**ROUND ONE SUMMARY**

- Seed No. 1 Lilia Vu defeated No. 64 Lauren Hartlage to win the seventh match of her Bank of Hope LPGA Match-Play pres. by MGM Rewards Career
  - In 2022, Vu went 3-0-0 in the Group-Play stage, ultimately making it to the consolation match on Sunday to defeat Andrea Lee for solo third
  - After winning The Chevron Championship for her second win of the 2023 season, Vu is coming off two missed cuts at the JM Eagle LA Championship and Cognizant Founders Cup, and finished third with the U.S. Team at the Hanwha LIFEPLUS International Crown
- No. 2 Brooke Henderson won a match in the group stage for the first time, defeating sponsor invite Yaeun Hong (63)
  - In 2021, Henderson went 0-1-2 and failed to qualify for the weekend at Shadow Creek
  - Henderson entered the week looking for her first top-10 finish since her win at the season opening Hilton Grand Vacations Tournament of Champions
- Defending champion Eun-Hee Ji defeated Matilda Castren 3 and 2 on Wednesday for her fifth total group-play win at Shadow Creek
  - In her third appearance in the event, she has never lost an opening round match at the Bank of Hope LPGA Match-Play
  - This is Ji's 10th match win in the event's history, the most of any player in that span
  - The 37-year-old and six-time Tour winner has never successfully defended a title on the LPGA
- Xiyu Lin (No. 4) was the highest-seeded player in the field to lose a match on Thursday, as Karis Davidson (No. 61) in her Bank of Hope LPGA Match-Play debut won 5 and 4, the lowest-seeded player to win in the opening matches
- Three matches ended in a tie: Match 3 (Linn Grant vs. Maddie Szeryk), Match 12 (Alison Lee vs. Maria Fassi) and Match 24 (Jeongeun Lee6 vs. Sophia Schubert)
  - In 2021, eight of the opening round matches ended in a tie, and seven matches of the same in 2022
- 11 Bank of Hope LPGA Match-Play debuts who won on Day 1: Marina Alex, Peiyun Chien, Lauren Coughlin, Daniela Darquea, Karis Davidson, Muni He, Caroline Inglis, Frida Kinhult, Pornanong Phatlum, Maja Stark and Lindsey Weaver-Wright
  - None of the four 2023 LPGA Tour rookies in the field won their round-one matchups
- According to KPMG Performance Insights, players who took the first lead in their matches today actually had a losing record: 14-15-3

**POD 1**

Player	Seed	2023 Record	Points	Career BOH Match-Play Record
Lilia Vu	1	1-0-0	1	7-0-1
Nanna Koerstz Madsen	32	0-0-1	0	2-0-2
Albane Valenzuela	33	1-0-0	1	3-1-3
Lauren Hartlage	64	0-0-1	0	0-0-1

**Results:**

Wednesday Lilia Vu def. Lauren Hartlage 4 and 3  
Albane Valenzuela def. Nanna Koerstz Madsen 3 and 2

**Of Note:**

- Lilia Vu went 4-up on the final four holes after being tied on No. 11 to defeat Lauren Hartland 4 and 3
  - Improving to 7-0-1 all-time in match play, Vu sits third with the best record since the tournament began in 2021
- Nanna Koerstz Madsen held the lead for two holes before Albane Valenzuela took the lead on No. 6, eventually defeating Koerstz Madsen 3 and 2

**POD 2**

Player	Seed	2023 Record	Points	Career BOH Match-Play Record
Brooke Henderson	2	1-0-0	1	1-1-2
Jeongeun Lee6	31	0-1-0	0.5	1-3-3
Sophia Schubert	34	0-1-0	0.5	0-1-0
Yaeun Hong	63	0-0-1	0	0-0-1

**Results:**

Wednesday Brooke Henderson def. Yaeun Hong 3 and 2  
Jeongeun Lee6 tied Sophia Schubert Tied

**Of Note:**

- After six tied holes on the front, Brooke Henderson broke the stalemate on No. 9, holding onto that lead for the rest of her round

**POD 3**

Player	Seed	2023 Record	Points	Career BOH Match-Play Record
Celine Boutier	3	1-0-0	1	3-0-1
Paula Reto	30	1-0-0	1	4-0-1
Sarah Schmelzel	35	0-0-1	0	2-1-4

Min Lee	62	0-0-1	0	0-0-1
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Results:

Wednesday Celine Boutier def. Mine Lee 1-up  
 Paula Reto def. Sarah Schmelzel 1-up

Of Note:

- Paula Reto defeated Sarah Schmelzel after a rollercoaster round that saw both golfers take a 1-up lead on multiple holes
  - After Schmelzel tied the match up on No. 16, Reto birdied on 18 to seal the victory
- After being down 1-up most of the round, Min Lee tied up the match on hole No. 16 before Celine Boutier pulled away on 18 to earn the win
  - Boutier has earned two top-10 finishes in 2023, including a win at the LPGA Drive On Championship at Superstition Mountain

**POD 4**

Player	Seed	2023 Record	Points	Career BOH Match-Play Record
Xiyu Lin	4	0-0-1	0	0-0-1
Mina Harigae	29	0-0-1	0	0-1-3
Pajaree Anannarukarn	36	1-0-0	1	2-3-2
Karis Davidson	61	1-0-0	1	1-0-0

Results:

Wednesday Karis Davidson def. Xiyu Lin 5 and 4  
 Pajaree Anannarukarn def. Mina Harigae 1-up

Of Note:

- Playing for the first time in the Bank of Hope LPGA Match-Play event, Karis Davidson (61) upset Xiyu Lin (4) 5 and 4
- After trailing for five of the first six holes, Karis Davidson took the lead on hole No. 8 and held on for the rest of the round

**POD 5**

Player	Seed	2023 Record	Points	Career BOH Match-Play Record
Danielle Kang	5	0-0-1	0	4-1-4
Alison Lee	28	0-1-0	0.5	2-2-3
Maria Fassi	37	0-1-0	0.5	0-1-0
Muni He	60	1-0-0	1	1-0-0

Results:

Wednesday Muni He def. Danielle Kang 2 and 1  
 Alison Lee tied Maria Fassi Tied

Of Note:

- In her Bank of Hope LPGA Match-Play debut, sponsor invite Muni He (60) upset Danielle Kang (5) on her home course

**POD 6**

Player	Seed	2023 Record	Points	Career BOH Match-Play Record
Ayaka Furue	6	1-0-0	1	6-1-1
Gemma Dryburgh	27	0-0-1	0	3-2-3
Stacy Lewis	38	1-0-0	1	2-2-3
Celine Borge	59	0-0-1	0	0-0-1

Results:

Wednesday Ayaka Furue def. Celine Borge 4 and 2  
 Stacy Lewis def. Gemma Dryburgh 2-up

Of Note:

- Last year's runner-up Ayaka Furue came back from 3-down on the front, eventually taking the lead on No. 11 before winning her match 4 and 2
- A back-and-forth affair, Stacy Lewis edged out Gemma Dryburgh on No. 17 to take the lead and an eventual conceded putt earned Lewis the win on the 18<sup>th</sup>

**POD 7**

Player	Seed	2023 Record	Points	Career BOH Match-Play Record
Leona Maguire	7	1-0-0	1	2-1-1
Narin An	26	0-0-1	0	0-0-1
Jenny Shin	39	1-0-0	1	6-1-3
Linnea Strom	58	0-0-1	0	0-0-1

Results:

Wednesday Leona Maguire def. Linnea Strom 4 and 2  
 Jenny Shin def. Na Rin An 3 and 2

Of Note:

- Las Vegas local Jenny Shin upset Na Rin An after taking the lead on No. 13 before defeating her 3 and 2

**POD 8**

Player	Seed	2023 Record	Points	Career BOH Match-Play Record
Linn Grant	8	0-1-0	0.5	0-1-0
Eun-Hee Ji	25	1-0-0	1	10-1-2
Matilda Castren	40	0-0-1	0	0-2-2
Maddie Szeryk	57	0-1-0	0.5	0-1-0

Results:

Wednesday Linn Grant tied Maddie Szeryk Tied  
 Eun-Hee Ji def. Matilda Castren 3 and 2

Of Note:

- Last year's champion Eun-Hee Ji jumped out to a 1-up lead after hole No. 2 and kept the pressure on Matilda Castren before defeating her 3 and 2
- At 10-1-2, Eun-Hee Ji holds the best record in tournament history

#### POD 9

Player	Seed	2023 Record	Points	Career BOH Match-Play Record
Allisen Corpuz	9	0-0-1	0	2-1-2
Marina Alex	24	1-0-0	1	1-0-0
Lucy Li	41	0-0-1	0	0-0-1
Daniela Darquea	56	1-0-0	1	1-0-0

Results:

Wednesday Daniela Darquea def. Allisen Corpuz 1-up  
Marina Alex def. Lucy Li 2-up

Of Note:

- In her Bank of Hope LPGA Match-Play debut, Daniela Darquea (56) upset Allisen Corpuz (9)
- Marina Alex (24) defeated fellow first-timer Lucy Li (41) 2-up

#### POD 10

Player	Seed	2023 Record	Points	Career BOH Match-Play Record
Jennifer Kupcho	10	0-0-1	0	3-1-3
Aditi Ashok	23	0-0-1	0	1-0-3
Perrine Delacour	42	1-0-0	1	2-0-2
Caroline Inglis	55	1-0-0	1	1-0-0

Results:

Wednesday Caroline Inglis def. Jennifer Kupcho 4 and 3  
Perrine Delacour def. Aditi Ashok 1-up

Of Note:

- In her Bank of Hope LPGA Match-Play debut, Caroline Inglis (55) defeated major champion Jennifer Kupcho (10)
  - In her past two appearances in the event, Kupcho has never reached the single-elimination rounds
  - Inglis' career-best finish in any Tour event is a tie for 10th at the 2018 DIO Implant LA Open

#### POD 11

Player	Seed	2023 Record	Points	Career BOH Match-Play Record
Maja Stark	11	1-0-0	1	1-0-0
Jodi Ewart Shadoff	22	0-0-1	0	4-0-2
Yu Liu	43	1-0-0	1	2-1-1
Emma Talley	54	0-0-1	0	2-1-2

Results:

Wednesday Maja Stark def. Emma Talley 2-up  
Yu Liu def. Jodi Ewart Shadoff 2-up

Of Note:

- In Pod 11, Maja Stark and Jodi Ewart Shadoff became Rolex First-Time Winners in 2022
- Stark (Sweden), Yu Liu (Pps. Rep. of China) and Jodi Ewart Shadoff (England) recently represented their home countries in the Hanwha LIFEPLUS International Crown

#### POD 12

Player	Seed	2023 Record	Points	Career BOH Match-Play Record
Carlota Ciganda	12	1-0-0	1	3-1-3
Gaby Lopez	21	0-0-1	0	3-0-4
Pornanong Phatlum	44	1-0-0	1	1-0-0
Amanda Doherty	53	0-0-1	0	0-0-1

Results:

Wednesday Carlota Ciganda def. Amanda Doherty 2-up  
Pornanong Phatlum def. Gaby Lopez 5 and 4

Of Note:

- Carlota Ciganda is coming off a win last week on the Ladies European Tour at the Aramco Team Series – Florida, her seventh-career LET title

#### POD 13

Player	Seed	2023 Record	Points	Career BOH Match-Play Record
Sei Young Kim	13	0-0-1	0	1-2-1
Cheyenne Knight	20	1-0-0	1	2-1-4
Sarah Kemp	45	0-0-1	0	0-3-1
Peiyun Chien	52	1-0-0	1	1-0-0

Results:

Wednesday Peiyun Chien def. Sei Young Kim 3 and 2  
Cheyenne Knight def. Sarah Kemp 3 and 2

Of Note:

- Sarah Kemp (Australia) recently represented her country at the Hanwha LIFEPLUS International Crown

- Cheyenne Knight entered this week in Las Vegas ranked ninth on the U.S. Solheim Cup Team Points List (159 points)

**POD 14**

Player	Seed	2023 Record	Points	Career BOH Match-Play Record
Ally Ewing	14	1-0-0	1	9-0-2
Angel Yin	19	1-0-0	1	2-0-2
Jaravee Boonchant	46	0-0-1	0	0-0-1
Esther Henseleit	51	0-0-1	0	0-0-4

Results:

Wednesday Ally Ewing def. Esther Henseleit 3 and 2  
 Angel Yin def. Jaravee Boonchant 5 and 3

Of Note:

- This was Ally Ewing's ninth match-play win over Esther Henseleit in three appearances at Shadow Creek, the second-most win total among the field

**POD 15**

Player	Seed	2023 Record	Points	Career BOH Match-Play Record
Hae Ran Ryu	15	0-0-1	0	0-0-1
A Lim Kim	18	0-0-1	0	0-2-2
Frida Kinhult	47	1-0-0	1	1-0-0
Lindsey Weaver-Wright	50	1-0-0	1	1-0-0

Results:

Wednesday Lindsey Weaver-Wright def. Hae Ran Ryu 2 and 1  
 Frida Kinhult def. A Lim Kim 3 and 2

**POD 16**

Player	Seed	2023 Record	Points	Career BOH Match-Play Record
Anna Nordqvist	16	1-0-0	1	3-0-2
Andrea Lee	17	0-0-1	0	4-1-3
Lauren Coughlin	48	1-0-0	1	1-0-0
Elizabeth Szokol	49	0-0-1	0	1-0-3

Results:

Wednesday Anna Nordqvist def. Elizabeth Szokol 2-up  
 Lauren Coughlin def. Andrea Lee 5 and 4

Of Note:

- Lauren Coughlin won the first hole in her matchup over Andrea Lee, and never gave up the lead through 14 holes
  - Coughlin's career-best finish in a Tour event is a tie for eighth at the 2022 LPGA MEDIHEAL Championship

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