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Round 2 Recap: LPGA Drive On Championship

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Top Notes to Know From Round 2:

*Nelly Korda: 16+ GIR in each of first two rounds this week (had 5 such rounds all last season)
*Nelly Korda: 46 feet of made putts in round 2 (made 127 feet of putts in opening round)
*So Mi Lee: 115 feet of made putts today (made 5 putts of 10 feet or longer)
*Ayaka Furue: hit all 18 GIR (1 of 5 players with multiple 18 GIR rounds since start of 2023)

*Nelly Korda's closing 36 holes last weekend were a forgettable two days, as she missed 12 greens in regulation and was a combined 2-over. She's been much better with her ball striking this week through two rounds, missing only three GIR through two days.

Nelly Korda

Last 4 Rounds Played on LPGA Tour

-	Last Week Rounds 3-4	This Week Rounds 1-2	
Score to par	+2	-10	
Birdies or better	4	13	
Greens in regulation	66.7%	91.7%	
SG Total per round	-0.79	+5.26	

*In fact, today was already the third time this young season that Korda has hit 16 or more greens in regulation in a round. She only had five such rounds in all of 2023:

Nelly Korda

Rounds With 16+ Greens in Regulation

	2023	2024
Total rounds	68	5
Rounds with 16+ GIR	5	3
Percentage	7.4%	60.0%

*Korda put together a stellar round of 67 despite not putting at the elite level she displayed on Thursday. Korda made 127 feet of putts in round 1 – an amount she matched or exceeded only 3 times all last season. She made 46 feet worth Friday.

Nelly Korda Putting by Round – This Week

	Round 1	Round 2
Feet of putts made	127'	46'
Made of 7+ feet	6	1
Putting 10-15 feet	4-for-6	1-for-3





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*Rookie So Mi Lee sits in solo second entering the weekend, hoping to get her career off to a flying start. Her putter heated up in the second round, as she made more than 100 feet worth on the greens on Friday, including going 4-for-6 from 10 to 15 feet.

So Mi Lee

Putting – Round 1 vs Round 2			
-	Round 1	Round 2	
Feet of putts made	69'	115'	
Made of 10+ feet	2	5	
Putting 10-15 feet	1-for-5	4-for-6	

*Xiyu Lin had a rollercoaster day, making four bogeys in her first seven holes (she started at the 10th) before lighting it up down the stretch:

Xiyu Lin Putting Performance – Round 2

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	First 7 Holes	Last 11 Holes	
Birdies	1	8	
Feet of putts made	20'	97'	
Putts made of 5+ feet	1	6	

*Ayaka Furue hit every green in regulation Friday, the second time she's done that over the last two seasons. Furue is one of just five players with multiple rounds hitting every green in regulation since the 2023 season began last January.

Multiple Rounds Hitting Every GIR LPGA Tour – Since Beginning of 2023

Ruoning Yin	4
Ayaka Furue	2*
Andrea Lee	2
Hyo Joo Kim	2
Perrine Delacour	2
*Includes Friday	





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*Furue wasn't just finding the putting surface, she was getting it close. Check out her second round proximity averages compared to what she did a year ago on Tour:

Ayaka Furue Approach Shot Proximity to the Hole

	2023 Average	Round 2 Performance
100-125 yards	23'6"	15'6"
125-150 yards	30'4"	19'0"
150-175 yards	34'6"	29'4"

*Furue, Lin and Korda are all among the leaders in total rounds in the 60s since the beginning of last season on the LPGA Tour:

Most Rounds in the 60s LPGA Tour – Since Beginning of 2023

Ayaka Furue	42
Xiyu Lin	40
Atthaya Thitikul	40
Nelly Korda	39
Ruoning Yin	39

*Lexi Thompson continues the strong play she showed near the end of 2023: in her last five LPGA Tour starts, Thompson has a scoring average below 68.5.

Lexi Thompson

LPGA Tour – Since Beginning of Last Season

I hrough Portland	Since
10	5
+33	-45
73.4	68.4
-0.49	+2.39
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*Lilia Vu had eight fewer putts on Friday than she did in the opening round:

Lilia Vu Round 1 vs Round 2 This Week			
	Round 1	Round 2	
Score	74	67	
Total putts	36	28	
1-putts	2	9	
Feet of putts made	48'	69'	