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Round 1 Recap: JM Eagle LA Championship

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Top Notes to Know From Round 1:

- *Late scoring wave averaged 73.0; 1.64 strokes higher than early wave in round 1
- *Grace Kim: 8.18 SG total in round 1; previous season high was 4.73 strokes gained
- *Grace Kim: 5-for-7 putting from 5-10 feet in round 1 (made 44.9% this season entering today)
- *Maja Stark: 6.19 SG total per round, 12-for-12 scrambling in last 2 rounds played
- *Auston Kim: 3rd round this season with 6+ SG total (tied for most on LPGA Tour)

*Players in the late half of the draw averaged 73 strokes on the nose – more than a shot and a half higher than the early side. 17 of the 23 rounds in the 60s came from the early wave.

Field Scoring by Tee Time

Round 1 – JM Eagle LA Championship

	Early	Late
Scoring average	71.36	73.00
Rounds in the 60s	17	6
Rounds of 77+	2	8

*Grace Kim entered this week with a putt make rate from 5 to 10 feet below the LPGA Tour average. She was 5-for-7 from that distance in her opening round 64:

Putting from 5 to 10 Feet LPGA Tour This Season

LPGA Tour average	57.2%
Grace Kim – Season	44.9%
Grace Kim – Round 1	71.4%

*Grace Kim gained more than eight strokes on the field in round one, far and away her best single round performance to date in the 2024 LPGA Tour season.

Grace Kim

Most SG Total in Round – This Season

	Round	Strokes gained
JM Eagle LA Championship	1	+8.18
HSBC World Championship	3	+4.73
Ford Championship	1	+3.50



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*Maja Stark closed last week's Chevron Championship with a bogey-free 69. She was bogey-free again today, giving her 6 rounds this season without a dropped shot, tied with Lydia Ko for most of any player on the LPGA Tour.

Maja Stark

On LPGA Tour This Season

	First 30 Rounds	Last 2 Rounds
SG Total per round	-0.05	+6.19
Scrambling	58.7%	12-for-12
Bogey or worse Pct	17.1%	0.0%*

*6th bogey-free round of season (tied for most with Lydia Ko)

*Auston Kim gained more than six strokes on the field in round one – the third time she has done that in a round this season on the LPGA Tour. That is tied for the most such rounds of any player in 2024:

Most Rounds With 6+ Strokes Gained Total LPGA Tour This Season

Auston Kim	3*
Lauren Coughlin	3
Leona Maguire	3

*Includes round 1 (+6.18 strokes gained total)

*This is the 11th time that Sei Young Kim has opened an LPGA Tour event with a round of 65 or lower. She went on to win four of the previous ten instances.

Sei Young Kim

Opening Round 65 or Lower on LPGA Tour

Previous instances	10*
Went on to win	4

*Last instance: 2022 Walmart NW Arkansas (finished T-16)

*Haeran Ryu (66, -5) is coming off consecutive top-10 finishes at the T-Mobile Match Play and Chevron Championship. She's gained strokes on the field in all 8 rounds played in that span.

Haeran Ryu

Last 3 LPGA Tour Starts

SG Total per round	+3.44
Rounds gaining strokes	8-for-8
Scoring average	70.4