



The ANNIKA driven by Gainbridge at Pelican
Pelican Golf Club | Belleair, FL | Nov. 13-16, 2025
Second-Round Notes
November 14, 2025

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Course Setup: 35-35 – 70, 6,222 Yards
Scoring Average: R1: 70.713, R2: 69.732
Weather: Sunny skies throughout the day with morning temperatures climbing into the mid-70s this afternoon. Light and variable NW winds with gusts around 15 mph in the afternoon.
Race to CME Globe Points: 500 (winner)
Purse: \$3.25 million USD (winner's prize, \$487,500)
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LEADERBOARD

	Player	To par	Score
T1	Linn Grant	-9	68-63 – 131
T1	Grace Kim	-9	65-66 – 131
T3	Jennifer Kupcho	-8	66-66 – 132
T3	Haeran Ryu	-8	64-68 – 132
5	Gaby Lopez	-7	69-64 – 133
T6	Nelly Korda	-6	71-63 – 134
T6	Auston Kim	-6	69-65 – 134
T6	Carlota Ciganda	-6	69-65 – 134
T6	Lauren Coughlin	-6	68-66 – 134

COMPETITION HIGHLIGHTS

- 69 players made the cut at +1 or better. Notables to make the cut include:
 - Defending champion **Nelly Korda**
 - Amateur and Wake Forest senior **Anne-Sterre den Dunnen**

- LPGA Tour rookies **Jenny Bae, Chisato Iwai, Julia Lopez Ramirez, Caley McGinty, Cassie Porter, Kate Smith-Stroh, Rio Takeda** and **Miyu Yamashita**
- 2025 major champions **Grace Kim, Mao Saigo** and **Miyu Yamashita**
- Girls Golf Ambassadors **Rose Zhang, Gaby Lopez, Sarah Schmelzel** and **Madelene Sagstrom**
- ANNIKA Award Winners **Rose Zhang** and **Leona Maguire**
- **Elizabeth Szokol** announced her retirement following this event
 - Missed the cut by one after a three-putt on No. 18 on Friday
 - Currently resides in the Tampa area and Pelican Golf Club is her home course
 - Is an LPGA Tour winner, winning the 2023 Dow Championship alongside partner Cheyenne Knight
 - Previously served as a Player Director
 - Going into this week, she was No. 91 in the Race to CME Globe
- **T1: Linn Grant and Grace Kim** both sit at a total of 131 after two rounds
 - Grant matched her season low with a 7-under 63 in the second round
 - Also shot a 63 in the second round of the BMW Ladies Championship
 - This is her first time holding the lead/co-lead after 36 holes on the LPGA Tour
 - Made eight birdies and one bogey
 - Her only bogey came on hole 10
 - Carded a 4-under 31 on the back nine
 - Hit 10/14 fairways, 17/18 greens in regulation and had 28 putts
 - Is currently first in greens in regulation with 33/36
 - T1 in birdies made through 36 holes with 13
 - Kim carded a second-round 66
 - This is her third time holding the lead/co-lead after 36 holes on the LPGA Tour
 - Recorded five birdies and a bogey
 - Hit 12/14 fairways, 14/18 greens in regulation and had 28 putts
 - Finished T23 her last time at this event in 2023
 - Was a member of the winning Australia team at the 2025 Hanwha LIFEPLUS International Crown
 - One of 28 different winners this season
 - Won The Amundi Evian Championship in July to become a first-time major winner
- **T3: Jennifer Kupcho and Haeran Ryu** sit at 132 through two rounds
 - Kupcho carded her second consecutive round of 66
 - Made five birdies, an eagle and three bogeys
 - Hit 10/14 fairways, 14/18 greens in regulation, had 2/2 sand saves and 27 putts
 - With her eagle on the No. 14 Aon Risk Reward hole, she is projected to pass the current leader Minjee Lee
 - The challenge concludes on Sunday and awards \$1 million to the winner
 - [View more about the challenge](#)
 - Her best finish at this event is T22 in 2021
 - Ryu recorded a second round 68

- Made four birdies and two bogeys
- Hit 13/14 fairways, 13/18 greens in regulation and 30 putts
 - Is T2 in fairways hit this week with 27/28, trailing only **Robyn Choi** who is 28/28
- Her best result at this event is T12 in 2023
- 5th: **Gaby Lopez** signed for a 6-under 64 in round two
 - Made seven birdies and one bogey
 - Her lone bogey came on hole five
 - Shot a 5-under 30 on the back nine
 - Went 7/7 in fairways hit and 9/9 in greens in regulation
 - Her second round 64 is her lowest score of the season
 - It is her lowest score since the 2022 Dana Open, where she shot a 63 in the final round
- T6: **Nelly Korda, Auston Kim, Carlota Ciganda and Lauren Coughlin** sit at three shots behind the leaders
 - Korda bounced back from her first-round 71 with a second-round 63
 - Went bogey free with seven birdies
 - Had consecutive birdies on Nos. 16-18
 - Hit 14/14 fairways, 17/18 greens in regulation and had 29 putts
 - Three-time winner of this event (2024, 2023, 2021)
 - This is Korda's first round of 63 or better since round 3 of the 2021 The ANNIKA
 - Kim shot a 5-under 65 on Friday
 - Went bogey free with three birdies and an eagle on No. 7
 - Hit 14/14 fairways, 16/18 greens in regulation and had 30 putts
 - Finished T25 at this event in 2024
 - Ciganda recorded a second-round 65
 - Carded seven birdies and a double bogey
 - Hit 9/14 fairways, 10/18 greens and regulation and recorded only 24 putts
 - Leads the field in fewest putts recorded across the first two rounds with 26 and 24, respectively
 - Coughlin went bogey free en route to her second-round 66
 - Carded birdies on Nos. 5, 6, 16, 17
 - Hit 13/14 fairways, 17/18 greens in regulation and had 31 putts
 - Was [announced yesterday as an LPGA Tour Player Director](#)
- **Bailey Tardy** made a hole-in-one on No. 3 with a 7-iron from 162 yards
 - It is her second hole-in-one on Tour and first since 2023

A LOOK AT THE LEADERS

CATEGORY	Grace Kim	Linn Grant
2025 Race to CME Globe Rank	30	41
2025 LPGA Tour Wins	1	0
2025 LPGA Tour Top 10s	3	4
2025 Official Season Earnings	\$1.6M	\$855.0K
Career LPGA Tour Wins	2	1

Career Official LPGA Tour Top 10s	8	17
Career Official Money	\$3.3M	\$3.4M

ABOUT THE LEADERS

Rolex Rankings No. 28 Grace Kim

- This is her second start at The ANNIKA driven by Gainbridge at Pelican
 - 2023 – T23
- In 2025: One win, three top-10 finishes, 15 cuts made in 20 starts
 - Three top-10 finishes including one win at The Amundi Evian Championship making her a first-time major champion
 - Has now only missed one cut in her last nine starts
 - Won the 2025 Hanwha LIFEPLUS International Crown as a member of the Australia Team
- Career: Two wins and eight top 10s with \$3.3 million in Official Career earnings
 - Won the 2025 The Amundi Evian Championship and the 2023 LOTTE Championship
 - Tenth Aussie to win twice on the LPGA Tour
 - One career win on the Epson Tour: 2022 IOA Golf Classic
 - Finished fifth in the Race for the Card to first earn LPGA Tour membership in 2023

Rolex Rankings No. 53 Linn Grant

- This is her third start at The ANNIKA driven by Gainbridge at Pelican
 - 2024 – T5; 2023 – T15
- In 2025: Four top-10 finishes, 10 cuts made in 18 starts
 - Her most recent top-10 result was T3 at The Standard Portland Classic
 - Has now only missed one cut in her last eight starts
- Career: One win and 17 top 10s with \$3.4 million in Official Career earnings
 - Won the 2023 Dana Open
 - Two-time European Solheim Cup Team Member (2023, 2024)
 - Represented Sweden in the 2024 Paris Olympics (T27)
- Six-time winner on the Ladies European Tour
 - Became the first woman ever to win the Volvo Car Scandinavian Mixed in 2022
 - Won the event again in 2024, becoming the first woman to win the event twice

TOURNAMENT SCORING RECORDS

18 holes – 61, Amy Yang (R3, 2023)

36 holes – 128, Emily Kristine Pedersen (2023)

54 holes – 192, Emily Kristine Pedersen (2023)

72 holes – 261, Lilia Vu (2023)

QUOTABLE

Grace Kim (T1, -9) on if her success this season has made her more comfortable

"I'm still a little bit uncomfortable I guess. I guess I'm never going to take that away me, but at the same time, every time it does sound quite refreshing. Maybe still hasn't sunk in yet, but if anything, The Crown has sunk in more than the Evian has. Yeah, it's been nice to be able to get all this done this year. I guess sometimes when I do doubt myself I just kind of tell myself like I got it done before; there is nothing holding me back.

So I guess you can see it both ways.”

Linn Grant (T1, -9) on her relationship with Annika Sorenstam

“Yeah, I played in Annika's events since I was 14, 13. You know, I met her pretty much every year since then, getting all her tips and tricks. Not entirely getting to know her, but a little bit I assume, and just learning a bit from her, seeing her and kind of feeling like it's possible to play out here, and she's been a huge inspiration. Just having this event and what she does for all the juniors back home is so big. I mean, I feel like she could do anything but she gives back so much. It's really nice to see that.”

Jennifer Kupcho (T3, -8) on mitigating the toughness of the greens at Pelican Golf Club

“Yeah, they're fast. I think just like relax and just hit it. I mean, obviously they're fast. You kind of have to play a little bit more break or read the grain a lot. Me and my caddie do a really good job reading bermuda together, so usually where I would read the greens by myself it's nice to have him to lean on and know that I have the breaks right if I just -- like I don't need to smash it into the hole. I can just play the break, and if it goes in, it goes in.”

Haeran Ryu (T3, -8) on her goal for the week

“Yeah, I just think now it's pretty good, so I just want to more enjoy and I don't want to do more stress for my golf. That's it. That's is my goal for this week.”

Gaby Lopez (5th, -7) on her five birdies on the back nine

“Yeah, I don't know, hit it to ten feet on 10 and then hit it to six feet and missed it. From there on honestly it was just inside 10 to 15 feet. You know, got the speed of the greens right and I started giving myself comfortable numbers and swinging freely, which that's going to be the goal this week.”

Nelly Korda (T6, -6) on her second round 63

“Yeah, I mean, I was hitting it pretty good off the tee, and then when you are hitting it good off the tee on some of those shorter holes you can capitalize and you have shorter wedges in. Yesterday I probably wasn't hitting it as close. I was hitting the greens but wasn't hitting it as close as I was today. At the end of the day you have to make the putts and I just wasn't doing that yesterday; I did that today.”

Auston Kim (T6, -6) on feeling comfortable with being in contention

“There will always be uncomfortable feelings. It's up to me to kind of lean into that and be able to feel all the feelings and grow from there. I feel like when anyone tries to pretend like nothing is hard or the situation isn't hard or difficult and just trying to push those emotions away it gets worse. So I've been talking a lot with my mental coach and just trying to push through the discomfort, acknowledge it, and do my best from there. I feel like I always do better when I acknowledge what's going on and embrace the situation. So just keep talking to myself and going forward from there.”

Lauren Coughlin (T6, -6) on being elected as an LPGA Tour Player Director

“Yeah, I'm a little nervous to be honest. Feel like I put myself out there a little bit. I'm typically someone that wants to stay in the background. I thought I would provide a really unique perspective just kind of my ups and downs in my career and where I started to where I am now. So I thought that it would be kind of cool to get a

chance to be a part of that and get to see behind the scenes how we run this Tour. Yeah, I'm really excited. A little nervous but really, really excited and honored that my fellow players voted me."

Charley Hull (T10, -5) on how she prepares for tournaments

"I do practice a lot at home and I play so always keep my game kind of consistent. Like I don't come out to a golf event to practice and find my game. Like I don't ever take time off at home, so it wasn't like necessarily like I was under-prepared in that sense. It's just not getting used to the grass and stuff."

Bailey Tardy (T43, E) on her hole-in-one contributing to a donation to St. Jude through CME Group Cares

"Yeah, doing that two years ago, I'm super happy I get to do that again this year. St. Jude is an awesome organization and I'm just happy I get to help sick kids."

Elizabeth Szokol (T70, +2) on finishing her career at her home course of Pelican Golf Club

"It is pretty amazing and special. Tampa has been home for me for about seven years now. Once I got on the LPGA Tour I moved to Tampa, and Justin has been my coach since '19 and they've been so good to me here. My husband is from Tampa and all of our extended family came out and my mom and brother and a lot of friends. So it's home and definitely extra special and amazing to be able to retire here with so many family and friends in what's my home now."

Kai Trump (108th, +18) on her comfortability during her second round

"Yeah, for the first day I was definitely really nervous. I think the nerves just got to me. When I went out there today I felt very calm and peaceful to be honest with you. And, yeah, that's why I played better."

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