

Buick LPGA Shanghai

Qizhong Garden Golf Club | Minhang District, Shanghai, People's Republic of China | Oct. 9-12, 2025

Second-Round Notes

Oct. 10, 2025

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Course Setup: 36-36 – 72, 6,535 yards **coring Average:** R1: 70.477; R2: 70.926

Weather: Partly cloudy to mostly sunny skies with temperatures peaking in the lower 90sF. Peak heat index values this afternoon are between 95-100F. Winds are out of the ESE pealing around 5-10

mph.

Race to CME Globe Points: 500 (winner)

Purse: \$2.2 million USD (winner's prize, \$330,000)

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LEADERBOARD				
	Player	To par	Score	
1	Minami Katsu	-13	70-61 – 131	
2	Ina Yoon	-11	65-68 – 133	
Т3	Lindy Duncan	-10	67-67 – 134	
Т3	Jenny Bae	-10	65-69 – 134	

COMPETITION HIGHLIGHTS

- 1st: Minami Katsu shot 11-under par in the second round
 - Set three records including:
 - 18-hole tournament scoring record; previously 62
 - 36-hole tournament scoring record; previously 132
 - Her lowest 18-hole score; previously 63 in an LPGA Tour event
 - Made a 39-foot birdie putt on the last hole with some speed to break the record
 - Recorded 12 birdies and one bogey on No. 10
 - On the front nine, birdied holes 1 and 2, 4 and 5, 7 and 8
 - On the back nine, birdied holes 12-14 and 16-18
 - The one bogey was due to having three putts
 - Had just 24 putts on Friday, the lowest across the field
 - Had seven one putts on her front nine

- o Her previous low round at the Buick LPGA Shanghai was 70
- Her first time leading after any round on the LPGA Tour
- 2nd: Ina Yoon sits two shots behind at -11
 - Made five birdies and one bogey
 - Bogeyed her first hole of the day
 - Birdied every par 5 on Friday
 - Hit 7/14 fairways, 16/18 greens in regulation with 29 putts
 - Just her second time on the LPGA Tour opening with two rounds in the 60s
 - She shot 65, 69 in the first two rounds of the Ford Championship and finished T22
 - o Her best finish on the LPGA Tour is T14 at the 2025 U.S. Women's Open
- T3: Lindy Duncan and Jenny Bae are at -10
 - o Duncan shot her second consecutive 67 today
 - Carded eight birdies and three bogeys
 - Made just one par on the back nine
 - Has made 16 birdies through two rounds, the most of any player in that time span
 - Best finish is T36 in 2023 at the Buick LPGA Shanghai
 - Third time this season opening with rounds in the 60s
 - Shot 69, 69 at the Amundi Evian Championship; withdrew after round 3
 - Shot 68, 68 at the Ford Championship; finished 5th
 - Credited play this week to recent work with her coach, Sean Foley
 - o Bae finished with a 69 on Friday
 - Made eight birdies, two bogeys and a triple bogey in R3
 - Was tied for the lead entering the 18th hole, but made a 7 on the par-4
 - Landed along the inside edge of a sand trap on the left side of the fairway
 - Took an unplayable in the bunker
 - Hit the next shot in the water
 - Dropped and hit onto the green
 - Two putted
 - Best finish on the LPGA Tour is 2nd in May at the MEXICO Riviera Maya Open at Mayakoba
- Defending champion Ruoning Yin shot a second-round 68 to move to T22
- Wei-Ling Hsu made a hole-in-one on No. 2 with a 7 iron
 - o This is the 17th hole-in-one on the LPGA Tour this season and second of this week

A LOOK AT THE LEADER

CATEGORY	Minami Katsu	
2025 Race to CME Globe Rank	27	
2025 LPGA Tour Wins	0	
2025 LPGA Tour Top 10s	5	
2025 Official Season Earnings	\$1,375,967	
Career LPGA Tour Wins	0	
Career Official LPGA Tour Top 10s	9	
Career Official Money	\$2,305,060	

ABOUT THE LEADER

Rolex Rankings No. 43 Minami Katsu

- Her third time playing the Buick LPGA Shanghai
 - o Best finish is T57 in 2024
- 2025: 18 cuts made in 21 starts with five top-10 finishes
 - Finished 3rd at last week's LOTTE Championship
 - o Notably finished T2 at the season's last major, AIG Women's Open
- Career: Nine career top 10s with \$2.3 million in official career earnings
 - o Finished 5th at the 2022 LPGA Q-Series to earn Membership
- Has eight victories on the JLPGA Tour
 - o As an amateur, became the youngest winner in JLPGA Tour history at age 15
- Turned professional in 2017

TOURNAMENT SCORING RECORDS

18 holes – 61, Minami Katsu (R2, 2025)

36 holes - 131, Minami Katsu (2025)

54 holes – 198, Mao Saigo (2024)

72 holes – 263, Ruoning Yin (2024)

QUOTABLES

Minami Katsu (1st, -13) on her last putt

"Yeah, that was a hard putt. I hit it too hard and I was like, oh, boy. Why did I hit that so hard? Luckily it was going towards the hole so I was hoping hit the back edge of the cup and just popped up a couple inches and went right into the hole. So felt like I was really lucky."

Ina Yoon (2nd, -11) on what she has worked on in her mental game

"Yeah, that's right. Me and Kevin talk about today's game before started and he said, just stay calm. Just play your golf. Just be yourself and it helps today."

Lindy Duncan (T3, -10) on what is going well with her game

"Yeah, I was talking to my coach, Sean about my swing because I was feeling like I was missing some shots right and left, so we kind of went back to like our very first lesson of some thoughts. I started to feel pretty good on Wednesday in the pro-am, so, yeah, I was pretty excited to play."

Somi Lee (T5, -9) on her range drills

"Because LPGA is so tough, hard competition, the drills I do is like the distance within 100 meters. If I have a chance within 100 meters I want to get a birdie so that's what I'm focused on and I try to do it every day without skipping a single day."

Wei-Ling Hsu (T31, -4) on her hole-in-one today

"That shot really surprise me, obviously. I had a good experience yesterday. Was like 140, just front side of the green. I had a perfect number yesterday and I told my caddie before I hit the shot, I was like, you know what? It was perfect yesterday with the 8-iron but we're a little bit further. Maybe we want to go 7-iron, a little bit -- have three quarter swing. He agree with me and I was like, okay, let's do this. So I hit my 7-iron 145 and

landed five or six yards shorter. It rolled towards the pin, but because the sun was against me so I can't really see it until like the people, the spectator are like cheering for me and yelling. So at that point I was like, oh, my God, I actually made it. So, yeah."

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Minami Katsu had herself a day 📆

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Jenny Bae is lurking...

Minami Katsu finds ANOTHER birdie

Wei-Ling Hsu grabs the second hole-in-one of the week at the second with her 7-iron