

**CME Group Tour Championship**

Tiburon Golf Club | Naples, FL | November 17-23, 2025

Third-Round Notes

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Course Setup: 36-36—72, 6,535 yards

Scoring Average: R1: 69.950; R2: 69.815, R3: 68.867

Weather: Mostly sunny with temperatures peaking in the lower 80s. Light and variable winds reaching 10 mph in the afternoon.

Race to CME Globe Points: 500 (winner)

Purse: \$11 million (winner's prize, \$4 million)

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LEADERBOARD

Pos.	Player	To par	Score
1	Jeeno Thitikul	-22	67-63-64 – 194
T2	Nelly Korda	-16	71-64-65 – 200
T2	Pajaree Anannarukarn	-16	68-67-65 – 200
4	Sei Young Kim	-15	67-66-68 – 201
5	Somi Lee	-14	64-70-68 – 202

COMPETITION HIGHLIGHTS

- 1st: **Jeeno Thitikul** shot a 6-under 64
 - Carded nine birdies including three consecutive from Nos. 4-6 and four consecutive from Nos. 11-14
 - Hit 11/14 fairways, 15/18 greens in regulation with 25 putts
 - Recorded the most birdies across the field (24) through three rounds
 - T1 for the most greens in regulation hit (48/54) through three rounds
 - Set the 54-hole tournament scoring record (194)
 - Recorded her lowest career 54-hole score
 - Her best was a 196 at the 2022 Walmart NW Arkansas Championship presented by P&G

- Seventh time this season holding a post-round lead
- With her nine birdies today, clinched the LPGA single season record for birdie-or-better average
- Thitikul is in the running for two LPGA Tour awards that will be finalized after this week – Rolex Player of the Year and Vare Trophy (scoring average)
 - Rolex Player of the Year honors is between her and Miyu Yamashita
 - Yamashita has to win the CME Group Tour Championship to win the award
 - Vare Trophy is down to Thitikul, Nelly Korda, Minjee Lee and Yamashita
 - Going into the week, Thitikul had a 68.877 scoring average
 - She is on pace to pass Annika Sorenstam for the lowest scoring average in an LPGA Tour season; must finish at -25 to pass Sorenstam
- [Jeeno Thitikul Third-Round Highlights](#)
- T2: **Nelly Korda** and **Pajaree Annanarukarn** are tied for second at 200 following R3
 - Korda recorded a bogey-free 65
 - Birdied Nos. 4, 6, 9, 13, 14, 15, 17
 - Hit 13/14 fairways, 16/18 greens in regulation and had 27 putts
 - Ninth appearance at this event
 - Previous best finish was 2nd in 2018
 - [Nelly Korda Third-Round Interview](#)
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 - Annanarukarn carded a 7-under 65
 - Recorded six birdies, an eagle and a bogey
 - Hit 12/14 fairways, 15/18 greens in regulation and had 26 putts
 - Ranked No. 60 in the Race to CME Globe, making her the last player to get into the CME Group Tour Championship field
 - This is her second 65 of the 2025 LPGA Tour season and first since the JM Eagle LA Championship
 - Best 18-hole score at the CME Group Tour Championship
 - Fifth appearance at this event, previous best finish was 6th in 2022
- 4th: **Sei Young Kim** had a third consecutive round in the 60s
 - Had six birdies and two bogeys to finish with a 4-under 68
 - Hit 13/14 fairways and 17/18 greens in regulation with 31 putts
 - Her 11th appearance at the CME Group Tour Championship
 - Won the event in 2019
- 5th: **Somi Lee** finished round three with a 4-under 68
 - Carded seven birdies and three bogeys
 - Hit every fairway, 16/18 greens in regulation and had 30 putts
 - This is her first appearance in the CME Group Tour Championship
- **Gaby Lopez** matched the tournament scoring record with a 10-under 62
 - Recorded a bogey-free round with 10 birdies
 - Birdied Nos. 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 13, 17, 18
 - Hit 12/14 fairways, 12/18 greens in regulation and had only 22 putts
 - This is her career best round on the LPGA Tour
 - Rose from T37 after the second round to solo 8th following the third
 - [Gaby Lopez Third-Round Interview](#)

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WITH A WIN

Jeeno Thitikul

- Would earn her seventh LPGA Tour career victory and third of the 2025 season
- Would be the winningest player on the LPGA Tour in 2025 with three wins
 - Miyu Yamashita had two wins, while 27 players had one win
- Would be her winningest season on the LPGA Tour, winning more than two events for the first time in her career
- With the \$4 million winner's check, would be the fastest player to reach \$17 million
 - Thitikul was also the fastest to reach \$8 million, \$9 million, \$10 million, \$11 million, \$12 million and \$13 million
- Would be \$5,214,293 behind No. 1 Annika Sorenstam on the Official Career Money List
- Would be projected to move within the top 10 in the Official Career Money List
- Would have earned the most official money by a Thai player, surpassing Ariya Jutanugarn
- Would be the second player to win back-to-back CME Group Tour Championship, joining Jin Young Ko (2020, 2021)
- Would be the third player to win the CME Group Tour Championship multiple times (Lydia Ko, 2014 and 2022; Jin Young Ko, 2020 and 2021)
- Would be the second Thai player to win the CME Group Tour Championship, joining Ariya Jutanugarn (2017)

Nelly Korda

- Would earn her 16th LPGA Tour career victory and first since 2024's The ANNIKA driven by Gainbridge at Pelican
- Would be the 30th different winner of the 2025 LPGA Tour season
- Would be the third American player to win the CME Group Tour Championship, joining Cristie Kerr (2015) and Lexi Thompson (2018)
- With the \$4 million winner's check, would be \$3,024,135 away from reaching No. 1 Annika Sorenstam on the Official Career Money List

Pajaree Anannarukarn

- Would earn her third LPGA Tour victory and first since the 2023 T-Mobile Match Play presented by MGM Rewards
- Would be the third Thai player to win the CME Group Tour Championship, joining Jeeno Thitikul (2024) and Ariya Jutanugarn (2017)
- Would be the second consecutive Thai winner of the CME Group Tour Championship, following Jeeno Thitikul in 2024
- With the \$4 million winner's check, would surpass \$7 million in career earnings
- Would earn her best finish of the 2025 season, with her previous best finish being T10 at the season-opening Hilton Grand Vacations Tournament of Champions
- Would be the lowest Rolex Women's World Golf Rankings player to win the CME Group Tour Championship at No. 91
 - Previous lowest-ranked winner was Amy Yang in 2023 at No. 36

- Would be the first player ranked No. 60 in the Race to CME Globe to win the CME Group Tour Championship

A LOOK AT THE LEADER

CATEGORY	Jeeno Thitikul
2025 Race to CME Globe Rank	1
2025 LPGA Tour Wins	2
2025 LPGA Tour Top 10s	13
2025 Official Season Earnings	\$3,578,330
Career LPGA Tour Wins	6
Career Official LPGA Tour Top 10s	54
Career Official Money	\$13,369,400

ABOUT THE LEADER

[Rolex Rankings No. 1 Jeeno Thitikul](#)

- Fourth start at CME Group Tour Championship
 - Competed in the event every year she has been on Tour
 - Has not finished outside the top 10 in her previous starts at this event
- 2025: Two wins, 13 top-10 finishes
 - Finished in the top 10 in last five starts
 - Four runner-up finishes including back-to-back at the FM Championship and Kroger Queen City Championship
 - 18 cuts made in 19 previous starts
- Career: Six wins, 54 top-10s, \$13.3 million Career Official earnings
 - Three-time LPGA Tour Award recipient
 - Two-time Hanwha LIFEPLUS International Crown participant representing Thailand
 - 2024 Olympian representing Thailand
- Finished 3rd at 2021 LPGA Q-Series to earn LPGA Tour Membership

TOURNAMENT SCORING RECORDS

18 holes – 62, Gaby Lopez (R3, 2025) and Lydia Ko (R2, 2016)

36 holes – 130, Jeeno Thitikul (2025), Celine Boutier (2021), Alison Lee and Nasa Hataoka (2023)

54 holes – 194, Jeeno Thitikul (2025)

72 holes – 261, Amy Yang (2023)

QUOTABLES

Jeeno Thitikul (1st, -22) on the local Thai restaurant

"I do have one restaurant that own our dinner like every single day in CME, like every single years too. So the name of the restaurant is Sushi Thai Too, if I say it right. But I believe it is, but it's so many branch of it. And then like the owner is Thai and he walk with me recently like every round that I play here in CME and then they're really nice. You're far away from home, to be able to eat the food that you would love it and then the food that you're used to just feel like home."

Nelly Korda (T2, -16) on LeBron James posting about her on his Instagram Stories

"He loves golf and I love that he loves golf. I love how golf and sports brings so many people together, so it's fun to see. And hopefully one day we hit the links together."

Pajaree Anannarukarn (T2, -16) on her relationship to fellow Thai player Jeeno Thitikul

"We're really good friends, and it's awesome to see she's doing well. She's been playing very consistent. Again, she's a good friend of mine and I think we just really, it's just cool to have a good friend and best friends on Tour because we travel a lot, like far from home, and it's nice to have someone close."

Gaby Lopez (8th, -12) on her tournament record-tying 62

"Golf is a crazy sport. You know, I think that I just got to give all the credit to my team. They have done an unbelievable work with me. They have stuck with me in the lows and the highs. Today is a high and tomorrow we don't know what's going to happen. But, yeah, very proud of all the work we've put in during the year. Last year I missed CME. I was 61st for half a point. Today I'm standing here with an unbelievable round. I'm just trying to embrace it. I'm trying to enjoy it and, I don't know, just be proud of the girl that still is trying to have fun out there."

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