

## **2025 LPGA Tour Storylines**

- The LPGA Tour will commemorate its 75th anniversary season throughout 2025, celebrating its legacy as the world's longest-running women's professional sports organization
- The 2025 LPGA Tour schedule features 32 official events in 12 different countries and 14 different states in the U.S.
  - Two new events the Black Desert Championship and MEXICO Riviera Maya Open at Mayakoba – are featured in 2025
    - Players will compete in the first annual Black Desert Championship at the Black Desert Resort's signature course, and will be accommodated with the only private charters at a domestic event on the LPGA Tour
    - The LPGA Tour returns to Mexico for the first time since 2017 for the MEXICO Riviera Maya Open at Mayakoba, at Mayakoba's El Camaleón Course
  - Players will compete for a historic prize fund of almost \$130 million in 2025
    - This is the largest prize fund in the Tour's history and a 90% increase from 2021
- The 2025 major championship venues include:
  - o The Club at Carlton Woods in The Woodlands, Texas (The Chevron Championship)
  - Erin Hills in Erin, Wisc. (U.S. Women's Open)
  - Fields Ranch East at PGA Frisco in Frisco, Texas (KPMG Women's PGA Championship)
  - o Evian Resort Golf Club in Evian-les-Bains, France (Amundi Evian Championship)
  - Royal Porthcawl in Wales, United Kingdom (AIG Women's Open)
- The Hanwha LIFEPLUS International Crown returns in 2025, taking place at New Korea Country Club in Goyang, Republic of Korea
  - The bi-annual team match-play event features eight teams, represented by four athletes each, all competing for the coveted crown
  - The 2025 competition will include a World Team made up of the top-ranked player from each of the following four regions, not from a country already qualified: Americas (North America and South America); Europe; Asia; and Africa and Oceania
  - The last edition of the event took place in 2023 at TPC Harding Park in San Francisco where the Thailand Team of Ariya Jutanugarn, Moriya Jutanugarn, Patty Tavatanakit and Jeeno Thitikul claimed the crown
- The schedule includes the third annual Grant Thornton Invitational, where the 32-player field comprised of 16 LPGA Tour and 16 PGA TOUR professionals compete for a combined \$4 million purse (\$2 million each Tour)
  - Former UCLA athletes Patty Tavatanakit and Jake Knapp won the second edition of the event at Tiburon Golf Club in Naples, Fla.
- There are 21 LPGA Tour rookies in 2025, representing 12 different countries (including the U.S.)
- There are 15 players on the LPGA Tour that earned status for the 2025 season through competing on the Epson Tour in 2024
  - The top-10 finishers (Lauren Stephenson, Yahui Zhang, Fatima Fernandez Cano, Jessica Porvasnik, Brooke Matthews, Ingrid Lindblad, Jenny Bae, Fiona Xu, Madison Young and Cassie Porter) will serve as 2025 Epson Tour Ambassadors
- The 2025 season features several season-long competitions including:
  - <u>Race to the CME Globe</u>: a season-long points competition in which LPGA Members accumulate points in every Official LPGA Tournament to gain entry into the season-



ending CME Group Tour Championship, where they will compete for an \$11 million purse

- The \$4 million winner's check at the CME Group Tour Championship is the largest first-place prize in the history of women's golf
- <u>Aon Risk Reward Challenge</u>: a unique, season-long competition that highlights the game's best players as they navigate some of the most strategically challenging holes
  - The player at the top of the Aon leaderboard at the end of the regular season will receive \$1 million
  - Jeeno Thitikul (2024), Angel Yin (2023), Minjee Lee (2022), Hannah Green (2021) and Carlota Ciganda (2019) are past winners of the Aon Risk Reward Challenge
- <u>Rolex Player of the Year</u>: an award given to the player that has the most consistent and outstanding record during the current LPGA Tour season, with points awarded to Members finishing in the top 10 and ties in Official Tournaments
- <u>Vare Trophy</u>: an award given to the player on Tour with the lowest overall scoring average based on the Member's total yearly score in Official Tournaments divided by the number of official rounds she played during a season
- <u>Louise Suggs Rolex Rookie of the Year</u>: an award given to the first-year Member who scores the most points based on finish position at Official Tournaments during a season
- <u>Rolex Annika Major Award</u>: an award given to the player who has the most outstanding record in all five major championships during the LPGA Tour season

## 2025 LPGA Tournament Recaps

Hilton Grand Vacations Tournament of Champions (Jan. 30 – Feb. 2) Lake Nona Golf & Country Club in Lake Nona, Fla. Purse: \$2 million Winner: A Lim Kim (-20)

- Shot all four rounds in the 60s (65-69-67-67)
  - o Only player in the field to do so
  - o On last instance, won the 2024 LOTTE Championship presented by Hoakalei
- Tied career-low 72-hole score with 268
- Won wire-to-wire for the second time in her career
  - o She won wire-to-wire with ties at the 2024 LOTTE Championship presented by Hoakalei
  - o First player since Hyo Joo Kim in 2023 to win wire-to-wire without ties

## Founders Cup presented by U.S. Virgin Islands (Feb. 6-9) Bradenton Country Club in Bradenton, Fla. Purse: \$2 million

#### Winner: Yealimi Noh (-21)

- First Rolex First-Time Winner since A Lim Kim won the 2024 LOTTE Championship presented by Hoakalei
- Noh's four-shot margin of victory over Jin Young Ko is just one off the record for the Founders Cup
  - o Inbee Kim (2018) and Sei Young Kim (2016) each won by five strokes
- Set the 54-hole and 72-hole scoring record at Bradenton Country Club



- o Also tied 54-hole Founders Cup scoring record on first set in 2017 by Anna Nordqvist at Wildfire Golf Club in Phoenix, Arizona
- Is the 207th American to win at least once on the LPGA Tour

## Honda LPGA Thailand (Feb. 20-23)

## Siam Country Club (Old Course) in Pattaya, Chonburi, Thailand Purse: \$1.7 million

## Winner: Angel Yin (-28)

- Earned her second LPGA Tour career victory and first since 2023 Buick LPGA Shanghai
- Recorded the lowest 72-hole score in relation to par (-28) on the LPGA Tour since Lydia Ko at the 2021 LOTTE Championship
- Broke the 72-hole and tied the 54-hole tournament scoring records
- Shot her lowest 72-hole score (260), 54-hole score (195), 36-hole score (131)
- Tied her lowest 18-hole score (64, R1 and R2)

### HSBC Women's World Championship (Feb. 27-Mar. 2) Sentosa Golf Club (Tanjong) in Singapore Purse: \$2.4 million

## Winner: Lydia Ko (-13)

- Earned her 23rd LPGA Tour career victory and first since the 2024 Kroger Queen City Championship presented by P&G
- Earned her third LPGA Tour victory in 189 days
- Earns her third LPGA Tour victory in the continent of Asia and first since the 2022 BMW Ladies Championship
- Passed Karrie Webb on the Career Official Money List with the \$360,000 winner's check
  - o Remains \$1,988,588 behind the Career Official Money List leader, Annika Sorenstam
- Is the 25th player with 23 or more LPGA Tour victories
  - o Becomes one of eight players of the top 25 on the Career Official Wins List to have recorded at least one win in the 2000s

## Blue Bay LPGA (March 6-9)

#### Jian Lake Blue Bay Golf Course in China Purse: \$2.5 million

## Winner: Rio Takeda (-17)

- Became the Tour's second Rolex First-Time Winner of 2025
- Became the third-straight player to become a Rolex First-Time Winner at the Blue Bay LPGA
- First rookie to win on Tour since **Haeran Ryu** won the 2023 Walmart NW Arkansas Championship
- Recorded the largest margin of victory at the Blue Bay LPGA, six strokes
- Was the only player to record all four rounds in the 60s



## Ford Championship presented by Wild Horse Pass (March 27-30) Whirlwind Golf Club, Cattail Course in Phoenix, Arizona Purse: \$2.25 million

## Winner: Hyo Joo Kim (-22)

- Seventh career victory and first since 2023 Ascendant LPGA benefiting Volunteers of America
- Sixth different winner on Tour this season
- Second player from the Republic of Korea to win this season, joining **A Lim Kim** (Hilton Grand Vacations Tournament of Champions)
- Tenth different player from the Republic of Korea to win at least seven ties on Tour, joining Sung Hyun Park (7), In-Kyung Kim (7), Mi Hyun (8), Na Yeon Choi (9), Jiyai Shin (11), Sei Young Kim (12), Jin Young Ko (15), Inbee Park (21) and Seri Pak (25)

## T-Mobile Match Play presented by MGM Rewards (April 2-6)

## Shadow Creek Golf Course in Las Vegas

## Purse: \$2 million

## Winner: Madelene Sagstrom

- Defeated Lauren Coughlin 1-up in the championship match
- Second career victory on the LPGA Tour and first since 2020 Gainbridge LPGA at Boca Rio

   1,897 days since her last victory or 5 years, 2 months and 11 days
- The only winner of the T-Mobile Match Play presented by MGM Rewards to finish with a perfect 7-0-0 record
  - o 2024 winner Nelly Korda only won three match play matches due to a change in format
- Eighth player from Sweden with two or more victories on the LPGA Tour joining **Carin Koch** (2), **Maria Hjorth** (5), **Sophie Gustafson** (5), **Helen Alfredsson** (7), **Anna Nordqvist** (9), **Liselotte Neumann** (13) and **Annika Sorenstam** (72)

## JM Eagle LA Championship presented by Plastpro

## El Caballero Country Club in Los Angeles

## Purse: \$3.75 million

## Winner: Ingrid Lindblad (-21)

- Lindblad became a Rolex First-Time Winner in just her third start on the LPGA Tour, defeating fellow rookie Akie Iwai by one stroke
- Set a 72-hole tournament scoring record with her four-day 267, and holds a share of the 18-hole tournament scoring record with a 9-under 63 shot in the second round
- Is the third Rolex First-Time Winner of the season, joining Rio Taked and Yealimi Noh, and the second rookie to win in 2025, after Takeda
- Is the second consecutive Swede to win on Tour this season, following Madelene Sagstrom, and the second consecutive Swede to win at El Caballero CC, following Annika Sorenstam

## The Chevron Championship

### The Club at Carlton Woods in The Woodlands, Texas Purse: \$8 million

## Winner: Mao Saigo (-7)

• Won in a five-way playoff, the largest in LPGA Tour Major Championship victory, with a birdie on the first playoff hole



- Is the first player from Japan to win The Chevron Championship
- Fifth player from Japan to win a major championship victory and first since **Ayaka Furue** at the 2024 Amundi Evian Championship
- Fourth 2025 Rolex First-Time Winner, joining Noh (Founders Cup presented by U.S. Virgin Islands), Takeda (Blue Bay LPGA) and Lindblad (JM Eagle LA Championship presented by Plastpro)

## Black Desert Championship presented by Greater Zion

## Black Desert Resort in Ivins, Utah

## Purse: \$3 million

## Winner: Haeran Ryu (-26)

- Earned her third career LPGA Tour victory and first since the 2024 FM Championship
- Won her first LPGA Tour event wire-to-wire
  - Second wire-to-wire winner with no ties this season and first since A Lim Kim at the 2025 Hilton Grand Vacations Tournament of Champions
- Broke her 72-hole scoring record by three strokes, previously 265 at the 2024 Dana Open
- Becomes the 23rd different player from the Republic of Korea with three or more wins on the LPGA Tour
- The second time she won an inaugural event following the 2024 FM Championship

### Mizuho Americas Open

#### Liberty National Golf Club in Jersey City, New jersey Purse: \$3 million

## Winner: Jeeno Thitikul (-17)

- Thitikul earned her fifth LPGA Tour victory, defeating Celine Boutier by four strokes at Liberty National Golf Club
- Earned her sixth top-10 finish in eight starts in 2025 and 13th top-10 result in her last 15 Official starts on Tour, dating back to August 2024
- Was her third consecutive top-10 finish at Liberty National Golf Club (2024 T7; 2023 T10)
- She set the 54-hole (202) and the 72-hole (271) scoring records for the Mizuho Americas Open
   She also holds the 36-hole scoring record (135), set in 2024

## MEXICO Riviera Maya Open at Mayakoba

## El Camaleón Golf Course at Mayakoba

Purse: \$2.5 million

## Winner: Chisato Iwai (-12)

- Iwai became the fifth Rolex First-Time Winner earning her first LPGA Tour victory
- The third rookie to win on Tour this season
  - This is the first time since 2015 that three rookies have won on Tour before the end of May
- Won on the LPGA Tour in her fifth start
- Won the inaugural MEXICO Riviera Maya Open at Mayakoba
- First player in seven years to get her first career LPGA Tour victory with a margin of six strokes or more





### U.S. Women's Open presented by Ally Erin Hills Golf Course Purse: \$12 million

Winner: Maja Stark (-7)

- Won her first major championship
- Is the sixth major champion from Sweden and the third to win a U.S. Women's Open
   Joined Liselotte Neumann (1988) and Annika Sorenstam (2006, 1996, 1995)
- Is the first European to win the U.S. Women's Open since Sorenstam won in 2006
- Became the 11th different major champion on the LPGA Tour since **Allisen Corpuz** won the 2023 U.S. Women's Open presented by Ally

## ShopRite LPGA Classic presented by Acer Seaview, Bay Course Purse: \$1.75 million

### Winner: Jennifer Kupcho (-15)

- Earns her fourth LPGA Tour victory and first since the 2022 Dow Championship
- Becomes the 80th American to win at least four times on the LPGA Tour
- Is the 16th different player from the United States to win the ShopRite LPGA Classic and first since Lexi Thompson in 2019
- Becomes the 14th different player to win on the LPGA Tour in 2025

### Meijer LPGA Classic for Simply Give Blythefield Country Club Purse: \$3 million Winner: Carlota Ciganda (-16)

- Her third career victory and first since the 2016 Citi Banamex Lorena Ochoa Invitational
  - It has been 3,136 days or 8 years, 7 months and 2 days since her last victory
  - Joins Beatriz Recari as the winningest LPGA Tour player from Spain with three victories
  - The oldest player to win on the LPGA Tour since **Eun-Hee Ji** won the 2022 T-Mobile Match Play presented by MGM Rewards at 36 years and 16 days of age
  - Is the second European to win the Meijer LPGA Classic for Simply Give, following Leona Maguire (2023)

## KPMG Women's PGA Championship Fields Ranch East at PGA Frisco Purse: \$12 million

Winner: Minjee Lee (-5)

- Earns her 11th career victory on the LPGA Tour, and first since the 2023 BMW Ladies Championship
- With the \$1,800,000 winner's check, moved from seventh to sixth on the Career Money List with \$17,356,213 in Official Earnings
- The first Australian to win the KPMG Women's PGA Championship since Hannah Green in 2019
- The third Australian to win three or more major championships, joining Karrie Webb and Jan Stephenson
- Becomes the 31st player in LPGA Tour history to win three or more major championships



• First Australian player to win on the LPGA Tour since **Hannah Green** at the 2024 BMW Ladies Championship

## 2025 Epson Tour Schedule & Results

- Feb. 28-March 2 Central Florida Championship: **Riley Smyth** (-15) defeated Matilda Castren on the first playoff hole
- March 6-8 Atlantic Beach Classic: Laetita Beck (-8) defeated Sophia Schubert by three strokes
- March 14-16 IOA Classic presented by Aperture: Gina Kim (-11) finished one shot ahead of Minji Kang
- April 25-27 IOA Championship presented by Morongo Casino Resort and Spa: **Briana Chacon** (- 12) finished one shot ahead of Megan Schofill (-11)
- May 1-4 Reliance Matrix Championship: Yana Wilson (-17) finished two shots ahead of Mohan Du (-15)
- May 8-11 Carlisle Arizona Women's Golf Classic: **Sophia Popov** (-14) defeated **Michelle Zhang** by two strokes
- May 15-17 Copper Rock Championship: **Gina Kim** (-13) finished one stroke better than **Melanie Green** and **Carla Tejedo Mulet** (-12)
- June 6-8 FireKeepers Casino Hotel Championship: **Samantha Wagner** (-13) finished two strokes ahead of **Sophia Schubert** (-11)
- June 13-15 Great Lakes Championship: Rily Smyth (-12) finished one stroke ahead of Laney Frye, Isi Gabsa and Erika Hara
- June 20-22 Island Resort Championship presented by Delta County Chamber: **Melanie Green** (-14) won by two shots over **Kate Smith-Stroh**
- June 27-29 Otter Creek Championship:
- July 10-13 Hartford HealthCare Women's Championship:
- July 18-20 Casella Golf Championship:
- July 25-27 Greater Toledo Classic hosted by Stacy Lewis:
- Aug. 1-3 Four Winds Invitational:
- Aug. 15-17 Wildhorse Ladies Golf Classic:
- Aug. 22-24 Dream First Bank Charity Classic:
- Sept. 12-14 Guardian Championship
- Sept. 19-21 Murphy USA El Dorado Shootout:
- Oct. 2-5 Epson Tour Championship:

## LPGA Tour Players on Other Tours

Feb. 9 – **Su Oh** won the Vic Open on the WPGA Tour Australasia, coming from seven shots back on Sunday to earn her first professional victory since 2022

Feb. 15 – Jeeno Thitikul won the PIF Saudi Ladies International on the LET by four strokes in her 2025 professional debut

Mar. 9 – **Chisato Iwai** won the Daikin Orchid Ladies Golf Tournament on the JLPGA by four strokes

Mar. 16 – Manon De Roey won the Australian Women's Classic by one shot

- Mar. 23 Yuri Yoshida won the V Points x SMBC Ladies Golf Tournament on the JLPGA Tour
- April 13 Perrine Delacour won the Investec SA Women's Open on the LET, her second LET title





May 11 – Hyo Joo Kim defended her title at the Aramco Korea Championship

#### 2025 LPGA Tour Statistics

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#### 2025 Statistical Leaders:

Official Money: Minjee Lee, \$2,610,124 Scoring Average: Jeeno Thitikul, 69.43 Strokes Gained Total: Nelly Korda, 2.59 Hole-in-Ones: 1, Madelene Sagstrom, Mary Liu, Jennifer Kupcho, Elizabeth Szokol, Yuri Yoshida, Sei Young Kim, Lee-Anne Pace, Brianna Do Greens in Regulation: Haeran Ryu, 77.51% Scrambling Percentage: Hyo Joo Kim, 67.57% Average Driving Distance: Polly Mack, 289.17 yards

### 2025 Award Standings:

<b>Rolex Player of the Year</b>		
1	Mao Saigo	88
2	Minjee Lee	83
3	Jeeno Thitikul	80

Louise Suggs Rolex Rookie of the Year		
1	Rio Takeda	696
2	Miyu Yamashita	522
3	Chisato Iwai	512

#AonRiskReward Challenge		
1	Nasa Hataoka	-1.000
2	Jennifer Kupcho	-0.909
3	Nelly Korda	-0.889

Vare Trophy		
1	Jeeno Thitikul	69.43
2	Nelly Korda	69.57
3	Angel Yin	69.94

Race to the CME Globe		
1	Jeeno Thitikul	1,752.700
2	Minjee Lee	1,551.378
3	Rio Takeda	1,337.590

### 2025 LPGA Tour Winner Statistics:

2025 Wins by Country (16 tournaments)



- 3 Japan (Chisato Iwai, Rio Takeda, Mao Saigo)
- 3 Republic of Korea (A Lim Kim, Hyo Joo Kim, Haeran Ryu)
- 3 Sweden (Ingrid Lindblad, Madelene Sagstrom, Maja Stark)
- 3 United States of America (Jennifer Kupcho, Yealimi Noh, Angel Yin)
- 1 Australia (Minjee Lee)
- 1 New Zealand (Lydia Ko)
- 1 Spain (Carlota Ciganda)
- 1 Thailand (Jeeno Thitikul)

### 2025 Wins by Player (16 tournaments)

- 1 Carlota Ciganda (Meijer LPGA Classic for Simply Give)
- 1 Chisato Iwai (MEXICO Riviera Maya Open at Mayakoba)
- 1 A Lim Kim (Hilton Grand Vacations Tournament of Champions)
- 1 Hyo Joo Kim (Ford Championship presented by Wild Horse Pass)
- 1 Lydia Ko (HSBC Women's World Championship)
- 1 Jennifer Kupcho (ShopRite LPGA Classic presented by Acer)
- 1 Minjee Lee (KPMG Women's PGA Championship)
- 1 Ingrid Lindblad (JM Eagle LA Championship presented by Plastpro)
- 1 Yealimi Noh (Founders Cup presented by U.S. Virgin Islands)
- 1 Haeran Ryu (Black Desert Championship presented by Greater Zion)
- 1 Madelene Sagstrom (T-Mobile Match Play presented by MGM Rewards)
- 1 Mao Saigo (The Chevron Championship)
- 1 Maja Stark (U.S. Women's Open presented by Ally)
- 1 Rio Takeda (Blue Bay LPGA)
- 1 Jeeno Thitikul (Mizuho Americas Open)
- 1 Angel Yin (Honda LPGA Thailand)

2025 Rolex First-Time Winners (5)

Yealimi Noh – Founders Cup presented by U.S. Virgin Islands

Rio Takeda – Blue Bay LPGA

Ingrid Lindblad – JM Eagle LA Championship presented by Plastpro

Mao Saigo – The Chevron Championship

Chisato Iwai - MEXICO Riviera Maya Open at Mayakoba

#### Average Age of 2025 Winners: 26.250

- Youngest Winner: Rio Takeda (21 years, 11 months, 6 days)
- Oldest Winner: Carlota Ciganda (35 years and 14 days)