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2025 FM Championship

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KPMG Insight of the Week

*Last season at the FM Championship, Haeran Ryu gained an incredible +10.16 strokes on the field during her second round 62, the most by any player during a single round on the LPGA Tour in 2024:

Most Strokes Gained in a Single Round

LPGA Tour – Last Season

	Tournament	Round	Strokes Gained
Haeran Ryu	FM Championship	2	+10.16
Linnea Strom	ShopRite LPGA Classic	3	+10.15
Mao Saigo	CPKC Women's Open	3	+9.66
Auston Kim	T-Mobile Match Play	2	+9.08
Carlota Ciganda	T-Mobile Match Play	2	+9.08

*Players who finished in the top 10 at TPC Boston last season gained nearly 80% of their strokes combined with their approach play and putting:

Top 10 Finishers Strokes Gained by Category 2024 FM Championship

Off the Tee	15.5%
Approach	37.1%
Around the Green	6.3%
Putting	41.1%

Jeeno Thitikul

*World number one Jeeno Thitikul has a big handful of number one statistical rankings as well:

Jeeno Thitikul

LPGA Tour Ranks This Season

		Rank
Scoring average	69.47	1st
Strokes gained total	2.68	1st
Top 10 finishes	9	1st
Pct Rounds in 60s	55.1%	1st
Birdie to bogey ratio	2.09	1st



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*Jeenoo Thitikul ranks extremely high in several different key putting metrics in 2025:

Jeenoo Thitikul Putting This Season

		Rank
Putts per GIR	1.72	1st
Made of 15+ feet	64	T-1st
Strokes gained putting	+1.04	5th
Putting 10-20 feet	29.6%	11th

Nelly Korda

*Nelly Korda averages 35 feet, 11 inches to the hole on approach shots from 175 to 200 yards this season. That's 7th-best among qualified players this season and nearly seven feet better than the LPGA Tour average.

Proximity to the Hole – 175-200 Yards LPGA Tour This Season

Nelly Korda	35'11" (Rank: 7th)
LPGA Tour average	42'9"

*Over the last four LPGA seasons, Nelly Korda has gained at least a full stroke off the tee at a rate of 52.1%. Among players with 100 or more rounds in that span, Korda is the only player to gain at least a stroke with her performance off the tee 50% of the time or more. Nelly has a rate of 52.1%:

Rounds Gaining 1+ Stroke Off the Tee Last 4 Seasons on LPGA Tour

Nelly Korda	52.1%
Linn Grant	48.0%
Polly Mack	42.7%
Bianca Pagdanganan	42.0%

*Korda's six top-ten finishes are tied for most of any player without a win this season:

Most Top 10 Finishes Without a Win LPGA Tour This Season

Nelly Korda	6
Ariya Jutanugarn	6
Hye Jin Choi	6
5 players with	5



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Minjee Lee

*Minjee Lee leads the LPGA Tour in scoring average and strokes gained total since the U.S. Women's Open began at the end of May.

Minjee Lee

LPGA Tour Ranks Since U.S. Women's Open Began

		Rank
Scoring average	70.07	1st
Strokes gained total	+2.79	1st
Strokes gained putting	+1.37	2nd
*3 top-3 finishes in span		

*Lee has been on an incredible run of consistency, finishing inside the top 25 in each of her last 8 starts on the LPGA Tour:

Minjee Lee Performance

LPGA Tour – Last 8 Starts

Wins	1
Top 3 Finishes	3
Top 25 Finishes	8
Score to Par	-51
SG Total	+2.63

Miyu Yamashita

*Miyu Yamashita held the outright lead after 36, 54 and finally 72 holes in her victory at the AIG Women's Open. She was the first player to do that since Jiyai Shin 13 years ago. This is her first start on the LPGA Tour since that victory:

Outright Lead After Rounds 2, 3 and 4

AIG Women's Open – Major Era (Since 2001)

2005	Jeong Jang	Royal Birkdale
2007	Lorena Ochoa	St Andrews
2010	Yani Tseng	Royal Birkdale
2012	Jiyai Shin	Royal Liverpool
2025	Miyu Yamashita	Royal Porthcawl



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Mao Saigo

*Mao Saigo's ball striking was exceptional at TPC Boston last season, trailing only winner Haeran Ryu in strokes gained for the week. Her short game was a different story, however, losing more than a stroke per round to the field:

Mao Saigo Strokes Gained

2024 FM Championship

SG per Round

Ball Striking +2.80*

Short Game -1.43

*Ranked 2nd in the field

*Mao Saigo's putting had regressed a bit this season after her win at the Chevron Championship, but she showed positive signs on the greens last week in Canada, gaining over a full stroke per round on her way to a 3rd place finish:

Mao Saigo SG Putting

LPGA Tour – This Season

SG Putting

Through Chevron Championship

+0.91

Black Desert Champ. – AIG Women's Open

+0.32

CPKC Women's Open

+1.02

*Saigo's 3rd place finish at last week's CPKC Women's Open was her 5th top 5 finish of the season, tied for the second most of any player on the LPGA Tour:

Most Top 5 Finishes

LPGA Tour – This Season

Jeeno Thitikul 7

Mao Saigo 5

Minjee Lee 5

5 players tied 4



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Haeran Ryu

*Haeran Ryu averaged +1.40 strokes gained putting per round during her victory at this event last season, the second most in a single event in her LPGA Tour career:

Haeran Ryu Most SG Putting per Round LPGA Tour Career

	SG Putting	Finish
2023 Founders Cup	+1.75	4th
2024 FM Championship	+1.40	Won
2023 Walmart NW Arkansas	+1.35	Won
2024 Evian Championship	+1.30	5th

*Putting continues to be a major weakness for Ryu, however. She ranks 1st on the LPGA Tour in strokes gained tee to green, but ranks 144th in strokes gained putting (min. 20 rounds played), losing more than three-quarters of a stroke per round on the greens:

Haeran Ryu Strokes Gained LPGA Tour – This Season

	Strokes Gained	Rank*
Tee to Green	+2.06	1st
Putting	-0.80	144th

*min. 20 rounds played

*Haeran Ryu's approach play is a major separating factor, however, as she ranks at or near the top of the LPGA Tour in a myriad of categories:

Haeran Ryu Approach Play LPGA Tour – This Season

SG Approach	+1.40	1st
Greens in Regulation	76.9%	1st
Proximity from 150-175 yards	20' 10"	1st
GIR – From the Fairway	82.8%	2nd
Proximity from 175-200 yards	28' 0"	3rd



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Jin Young Ko

*Jin Young Ko has the best average proximity to the hole this season on approach shots from 125 to 150 yards away. A look at some of her other approach play highlights:

Jin Young Ko

Approach Play Ranks This Season

		LPGA Rank
Proximity 125-150 yards	21'11"	1st
Strokes gained approach	+0.99	5th
Overall average proximity	25'6"	9th

*Ko has slowed her pace down significantly this summer, though – she does not have a top-ten finish on the LPGA Tour since the Chevron Championship.

Jin Young Ko

On LPGA Tour This Season

	Through Chevron	Since
Starts	8	8
Top 10 finishes	4	0
Scoring average	69.6	71.3
SG Total per round	+1.66	+0.83

Brooke Henderson

*Last week, Brooke Henderson became the first Canadian woman to win this national championship multiple times. Overall, she is the sixth woman to claim the title more than once:

Players to Win Multiple Times

CPKC Women's Open History

	Country	Wins
Pat Bradley	United States	3
Meg Mallon	United States	3
Lydia Ko	New Zealand	3
<i>Brooke Henderson</i>	<i>Canada</i>	2
JoAnne Carner	United States	2
Brandie Burton	United States	2



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Angel Yin

*After a run of three consecutive top-ten finishes (each in major championships), Angel Yin has cooled off on the greens over her last three tournaments.

Angel Yin

Last 6 Starts on LPGA Tour

	Previous 3	Last 3
Top 10 finishes	3	0
SG Total	+2.96	-0.27
Putts per round	29.8	32.2
SG Putting	+1.67	-0.01

*Still, Angel is among the leaders on the LPGA Tour this season in several key putting stats:

Angel Yin

Putting Ranks This Season

		Rank
Strokes gained putting	+1.08	4th
Putting 5-10 feet	67.7%	7th
Made of 10+ feet per round	2.10	7th

Lottie Woad

*After a storybook start to her professional career that saw her win her debut and finish inside the top 10 at the AIG Women's Open as an encore, Lottie Woad cooled off a bit with a missed cut last week in Canada. Her approach play was one of the main reasons why, as she lost more than half a stroke per round to the field:

Lottie Woad SG Approach

LPGA Tour – Last 3 Starts

	SG Approach	Finish
ISPS Handa Women's Scottish Open	+2.04	Won
AIG Women's Open	+1.16	T-8
CPKC Women's Open	-0.59	CUT