

## 2025 LPGA Tour Storylines

- The LPGA Tour will commemorate its 75th anniversary season throughout the 2025 season, 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 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 Riviera Maya Open at Mayakoba
  - 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:
  - 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)
  - 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:
  - [Race to the CME Globe](#): 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
  - [Aon Risk Reward Challenge](#): 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
  - [Rolex Player of the Year](#): 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
  - [Vare Trophy](#): 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
  - [Louise Suggs Rolex Rookie of the Year](#): an award given to the first-year Member who scores the most points based on finish position at Official Tournaments during a season
  - [Rolex Annika Major Award](#): 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)
  - Only player in the field to do so
  - 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
  - She won wire-to-wire with ties at the 2024 LOTTE Championship presented by Hoakalei
  - 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
  - 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

## **2025 Epson Tour Schedule & Results**

- Feb. 28-March 2 – Central Florida Championship: Riley Smyth (-15) defeated Matilda Castren on the first playoff hole

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- March 6-8 – Atlantic Beach Classic: Laetita Beck (-8) defeated Sophia Schubert by three strokes
- March 14-16 – IOA Classic presented by Aperture:
- April 25-27 – IOA Championship presented by Morongo Casino Resort and Spa:
- May 1-4 – Reliance Matrix Championship:
- May 8-11 – Carlisle Arizona Women’s Golf Classic:
- May 15-17 – Copper Rock Championship:
- June 6-8 – FireKeepers Casino Hotel Championship:
- June 13-15 – Great Lakes Championship:
- June 20-22 – Island Resort Championship presented by Delta County Chamber:
- 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

## 2025 LPGA Tour Statistics

Visit the [LPGA Statistical Database](#) for more

### 2025 Statistical Leaders:

Official Money: Rio Takeda, \$469,372

Scoring Average: Nelly Korda, 67.75

Strokes Gained Total: Jeeno Thitikul, 3.23

Hole-in-Ones: N/A

Greens in Regulation: Megan Khang, 84.72%

Scrambling Percentage: Miyu Yamashita, 79.01%

Average Driving Distance: Julia Lopez Ramirez, 287.25

### 2025 Award Standings:

<u>Rolex Player of the Year</u>		
1	A Lim Kim	39
T2	Lydia Ko	35

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<u>Louise Suggs Rolex Rookie of the Year</u>		
1	Rio Takeda	293
2	Miyu Yamashita	155
3	Akie Iwai	80

<u>#AonRiskReward Challenge</u>		
T1	Hye-Jin Choi	-1.250
T1	Elizabeth Szokol	-1.250
T1	Xiaowen Yin	-1.250

<u>Vare Trophy</u>		
1	Nelly Korda	67.75
2	Akie Iwai	68.00
3	Yealimi Noh	68.25

<u>Race to the CME Globe</u>		
1	A Lim Kim	753.250
2	Yealimi Noh	651.250
3	Rio Takeda	635.000

## 2025 LPGA Tour Winner Statistics:

2025 Wins by Country (5 tournaments)

2 – United States of America (Yealimi Noh, Angel Yin)

1 – Japan (Rio Takeda)

1 – New Zealand (Lydia Ko)

1 – Republic of Korea (A Lim Kim)

2025 Wins by Player (5 tournaments)

1 – A Lim Kim (Hilton Grand Vacations Tournament of Champions)

1 – Lydia Ko (HSBC Women's World Championship)

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

1 – Rio Takeda (Blue Bay LPGA)

1 – Angel Yin (Honda LPGA Thailand)

**Average Age of 2025 Winners:** 25.20

- Youngest Winner: Rio Takeda (21 years, 11 months, 6 days)
- Oldest Winner: A Lim Kim (29 years, 3 months, 29 days)