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T-Mobile Match Play presented by MGM Rewards

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Second-Round Notes

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Course Setup: 37-35 – 72; 6,605 yards

Weather: Mostly sunny skies with light and variable winds between

5-10 mph and temperatures up to 60F Race to CME Globe Points: 500 (winner) Purse: \$2 million (winner's portion \$300,000)

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COMPETITION FORMAT

64 players, divided into 16 groups of four; after three days of round-robin matches, competition moves to a 16-player, single-elimination bracket

SCORING

Win – 1 point, Tie – ½ point, Lose – 0 points

ROUND TWO SUMMARY

- Brooke Henderson has played the fewest number of holes amongst players in the field (27)
 - Hyo Joo Kim (29), Jeeno Thitikul (30) and Narin An (30) have also played 30 holes or less over the two days of match play
- There are 11 players in the field making their debut at T-Mobile Match Play
 - o Mao Saigo is the only player making her debut that is 2-0-0 through Wednesday and Thursday
- Sponsor invites this week are Ina Yoon and Danielle Kang
 - Yoon lost to Lucy Li in R2 (1-0-1) and will play Lauren Coughlin tomorrow
 - Kang is currently 0-0-2 and plays Gaby Lopez tomorrow

GROUP 1

Player	Seed	2025 Record (W-H-L)	Points	Career Match Play Record (W-H-L)
Nelly Korda	1	1-1-0	1.5	4-1-0
Ariya Jutanugarn	32	2-0-0	2	7-3-2

Jennifer Kupcho	33	0-0-2	0	4-2-5
Brittany Altomare	64	0-1-1	0.5	3-1-5

Round 2 Results:

- Nelly Korda def. Jennifer Kupcho, 1-up
- Ariya Jutanugarn def. Brittany Altomare, 2 and 1

Of Note:

- Korda trailed just one hole, the first, her entire match
- Korda led 2-up on No. 15, lost the lead on No. 16 and tied Nos. 17 and 18 to win
- Jutanugarn led after the first hole and never trailed after
- Jutanugarn only lost three holes total in her second round

GROUP 2

Player	Seed	2025 Record (W-H-L)	Points	Career Match Play Record (W-H-L)
Jeeno Thitikul	2	2-0-0	2	3-0-2
Hye-Jin Choi	31	1-0-1	1	4-0-2
Gaby Lopez	34	1-0-1	1	4-1-6
Danielle Kang	63	0-0-2	0	5-1-7

Round 2 Results:

- Jeeno Thitikul def. Gaby Lopez, 2 and 1
- Hye-Jin Choi def. Danielle Kang, 4 and 3

Of Note:

- Neither match in group 2 made it to hole 18
- Thitikul held the lead for most of the match including Nos. 5-9 and 11-17
- Thitikul trailed for just one hole between her two matches
- Choi won five of the last six holes of the match to extend the margin of victory to 4 and 3

GROUP 3

Player	Seed	2025 Record (W-H-L)	Points	Career Match Play Record (W-H-L)
Lydia Ko	3	1-0-1	1	1-0-1
Carlota Ciganda	30	1-0-1	1	7-1-5
Gabriela Ruffels	35	1-0-1	1	1-0-1
Hira Naveed	62	1-0-1	1	1-0-1

Round 2 Results:

- Lydia Ko def. Gabriela Ruffels, 6 and 5
- Carlota Ciganda def. Hira Naveed, 2 and 1

Of Note:

- Ko earned her first career match play victory
- Ko trailed after the first hole before taking the lead on No. 4

- Ko lost just one hole in her second round, the first one
- Ciganda and Naveed went back and forth, coming down to the wire
- Naveed tied the match on No. 15 before Ciganda retook the lead on No. 16 and clinched the win on 17

GROUP 4

Player	Seed	2025 Record (W-H-L)	Points	Career Match Play Record (W-H-L)
Ruoning Yin	4	0-1-1	0.5	0-1-1
Sei Young Kim	29	2-0-0	2	5-3-2
Chanettee Wannasaen	36	0-1-1	0.5	0-1-1
Yuna Nishimura	61	1-0-1	1	1-0-1

Round 2 Results:

- Ruoning Yin tied Channettee Wannasaen
- Sei Young Kim def. Yuna Nishimura, 4 and 2

Of Note:

- Yin was down 2-down through 11 holes before coming back and tying the match on No. 16
- Kim led from the first hole and never lost her lead
- With a win against Yin on Friday, Kim will advance to her second-straight round of 16

GROUP 5

Player	Seed	2025 Record (W-H-L)	Points	Career Match Play Record (W-H-L)
Ayaka Furue	5	1-0-1	1	12-1-3
Nasa Hataoka	28	1-0-1	1	3-1-1
Stephanie Kyriacou	37	2-0-0	2	2-0-0
Auston Kim	60	0-0-2	0	0-0-2

Round 2 Results:

- Stephanie Kyriacou def. Ayaka Furue, 4 and 2
- Nasa Hataoka def. Auston Kim, 5 and 4

Of Note:

- Furue recorded just her third match play loss of her career at the T-Mobile Match Play
- Kyriacou is 2-0 in her first match play action after failing to advance from stroke play last season
- Hataoka picked up her third career match play victory, her first win since 2021
 - o In 2021, she advanced to the round of 16

GROUP 6

Player	Seed	2025 Record (W-H-L)	Points	Career Match Play Record (W-H-L)
Charley Hull	6	1-1-0	1.5	2-2-1
Esther Henseleit	27	1-0-1	1	2-1-5
Ashleigh Buhai	38	1-1-0	1.5	4-3-1
Alexa Pano	59	0-0-2	0	0-0-2

- Charley Hull tied Ashleigh Buhai
- Esther Henseleit def. Alexa Pano, 2-up

Of Note:

- Hull led for 13 of the 18 holes she played and never trailed
- Buhai brought the match back to a tie three separate times, ultimately tying the match
- Henseleit did not lead her match until No. 15
- Pano led for six holes before surrendering her lead to Henseleit

GROUP 7

Player	Seed	2025 Record (W-H-L)	Points	Career Match Play Record (W-H-L)
Haeran Ryu	7	1-0-1	1	3-0-2
Mao Saigo	26	2-0-0	2	2-0-0
Andrea Lee	39	0-0-2	0	5-2-5
Linnea Strom	58	1-0-1	1	1-0-4

Round 2 Results:

- Mao Saigo def. Linnea Strom, 1-up
- Haeran Ryu def. Andrea Lee, 4 and 2

Of Note:

- Strom held the lead for the majority of the match (holes 8-15)
- Saigo won holes 15, 16 and 18 to earn the match point
- Saigo is making her first start at the event
- Ryu won the first two holes of the match to build a 2-up lead
- Ryu won holes 9-12 to grow her lead to 4-up, closing out the march on 16

GROUP 8

Player	Seed	2025 Record (W-H-L)	Points	Career Match Play Record (W-H-L)
Jin Young Ko	8	0-1-1	.5	2-1-2
Brooke Henderson	25	2-0-0	2	4-1-3
Leona Maguire	40	0-1-1	.5	8-2-4
Peiyun Chen	57	1-0-1	1	3-0-2

Round 2 Results:

- Brooke Henderson def. Peiyun Chen, 5 and 4
- Jin Young Ko and Leona Maguire tied

Of Note:

- Henderson has not played holes 15-18 in her first two rounds
- This is the first time in her four total starts that Henderson has started 2-0 in group play
- Henderson is looking to advance to the round of 16 for the first time in her career
- Brooke Henderson has played the fewest number of holes amongst players in the field (27)

- This is the first time Maguire has tied a match since the 2021 season
 - o Her and Jennifer Kupcho tied in the second round

GROUP 9

Player	Seed	2025 Record (W-H-L)	Points	Career Match Play Record (W-H-L)
Hyo Joo Kim	9	2-0-0	2	5-0-3
Maja Stark	24	2-0-0	2	5-0-1
Nanna Koerstz Madsen	41	0-0-2	0	3-0-5
Bailey Tardy	56	0-0-2	0	0-0-2

Round 2 Results:

- Hyo Joo Kim def. Nanna Koerstz Madsen, 2-up
- Maja Stark def. Bailey Tardy, 3 and 2

Of Note:

- Kim and Stark's match Friday will be the only match that involves two 2-0 players
- Kim took her first lead on No. 9 before giving it right back to Koerstz Madsen for the next five holes; Kim tied the match back up at No. 16 and won the next two holes to claim the win
- Stark led for nine holes and only lost two holes

GROUP 10

Player	Seed	2025 Record (W-H-L)	Points	Career Match Play Record (W-H-L)
Angel Yin	10	1-1-0	1.5	4-2-4
Jin Hee Im	23	1-0-1	1	1-0-1
Pajaree Anannarukarn	42	1-0-1	1	8-3-4
Moriya Jutanugarn	55	0-1-1	0.5	4-2-4

Round 2 Results:

- Angel Yin def. Pajaree Anannarukarn, 1-up
- Jin Hee Im def. Moriya Jutanugarn, 4 and 3

Of Note:

- Yin led for three of the first four holes before giving the lead to Anannarukarn for 10-straight holes with the duo eventually becoming squared up after No. 16 and Yin winning on No. 18
- Im captured her first career match play victory
 - She led after the third hole of the match and never trailed

GROUP 11

Player	Seed	2025 Record (W-H-L)	Points	Career Match Play Record (W-H-L)
Celine Boutier	11	2-0-0	2	9-0-2
Allisen Corpuz	22	1-0-1	1	4-2-3
Sarah Schmelzel	43	1-0-1	1	3-1-7
Somi Lee	54	0-0-2	0	0-0-2

- Celine Boutier def. Sarah Schmelzel, 2 and 1
- Allisen Corpuz def. Somi Lee, 4 and 3

Of Note:

- Boutier has not lost in group play since the second round of 2021
 - She lost 5 and 3 to Inbee Park
 - o In 2023, she advanced to the quarter finals, ultimately losing to Ayaka Furue, 2 and 1
- Boutier won her ninth career match, second most in tournament history
- Corpuz led for 12 holes in her match, never trailing
 - o Lee tied the match from holes 8 to 10 before Corpuz retook the lead

GROUP 12

Player	Seed	2025 Record (W-H-L)	Points	Career Match Play Record (W-H-L)
Amy Yang	12	0-0-2	0	0-0-2
A Lim Kim	21	2-0-0	2	2-3-3
Jenny Shin	44	1-0-1	1	8-1-5
Grace Kim	53	1-0-1	1	1-0-1

Round 2 Results:

- Jenny Shin def. Amy Yang, 2-up
- A Lim Kim def. Grace Kim, 1-up

Of Note:

- Both groups had back and forth matches with both winners decided in the final two holes
- Shin trailed most of her match before taking the lead on the 17th hole
- A.L. Kim lost her lead from holes 11 to 15 before tying the match and eventually taking the 1-up lead into the final hole

GROUP 13

Player	Seed	2025 Record (W-H-L)	Points	Career Match Play Record (W-H-L)
Lauren Coughlin	13	1-0-1	1	3-0-2
Ina Yoon	20	1-0-1	1	1-0-1
Mi Hyang Lee	45	1-0-1	1	1-1-3
Lucy Li	52	1-0-1	1	1-0-4

Round 2 Results:

- Lucy Li def. Ina Yoon, 4 and 3
- Mi Hyang Lee def. Lauren Coughlin, 1-up

Of Note:

- Both Lee and Li earned their first match play victories at T-Mobile Match Play
- Lee went back and forth with Coughlin with the two tied heading into the last hole and Lee winning
- Li trailed 2-up through after five holes, coming back and taking the lead after the No. 11 hole

Player	Seed	2025 Record (W-H-L)	Points	Career Match Play Record (W-H-L)
Minjee Lee	14	1-0-1	1	5-1-4
Patty Tavatanakit	19	1-0-1	1	4-1-2
Madelene Sagstrom	46	2-0-0	2	6-1-3
Jasmine Suwannapura	51	0-0-2	0	2-0-6

Round 2 Results:

- Madelene Sagstrom def. Minjee Lee, 3 and 2
- Patty Tavatanakit def. Jasmine Suwannapura, 4 and 3

Of Note:

- Sagstrom led for 14 of the 16 played holes and never trailed
 - She has only trailed for two holes in two matches
- Tavatanakit took the lead on No. 1 and did not give it back to Suwannapura
 - Tavatanakit never lost a hole in her second round

GROUP 15

Player	Seed	2025 Record (W-H-L)	Points	Career Match Play Record (W-H-L)
Rose Zhang	15	0-1-1	0.5	0-1-2
Megan Khang	18	1-0-1	1	2-3-3
Albane Valenzuela	47	1-0-1	1	7-1-5
Nataliya Guseva	50	1-1-0	1.5	1-1-0

Round 2 Results:

- Rose Zhang conceded the match against Albane Valenzuela
- Nataliya Guseva def. Megan Khang, 2 and 1

Of Note:

- Zhang conceded her second-round match against Valenzuela due to injury
- Guseva trailed after the first two holes before leading the rest of the match

GROUP 16

Player	Seed	2025 Record (W-H-L)	Points	Career Match Play Record (W-H-L)
Yealimi Noh	16	1-0-1	1	1-0-4
Yuka Saso	17	1-0-1	1	1-0-1
Narin An	48	2-0-0	2	4-2-1
Hinako Shibuno	49	0-0-2	0	0-0-2

Round 2 Results:

- Yuka Saso def. Hinako Shibuno, 3 and 1
- Narin An def. Yealimi Noh, 5 and 4

Of Note:

- An took the lead on her first hole and grew her lead to 5-up by hole 7
- Noh won back-to-back holes to cut the lead to 3-up before An got back to 5-up
- An is looking to advance out of the first three rounds for the second-straight season
 - She made it the semifinals in 2024, eventually losing to Nelly Korda

QUOTABLES

Lydia Ko on her match victory today

"Yeah, I had a pretty shaky start bogeying my first two holes. Even yesterday I didn't feel like I hit the ball that bad or putted necessarily bad; I just put myself in some awkward positions. I think this golf course you just have to be smart and some -- as silly as it sounds, sometimes you're hitting short irons and you're not going to hit it on the green because it's so firm. So just trying to know where the best spots to miss it is really important. I think I was a little bit smarter in that sense today. Just if I am going to miss or can't hold the green, where is the best place to chip from. I did that really well. I think that was probably the biggest difference between yesterday and today, even though how I performed was not necessarily that different."

Carlota Ciganda on what match play brings out in her

"Yeah, I love match play. I think to feel like a Sunday. It's just either you win or you lose. When you play stroke play it's four days, Thursday, Friday, but match play is just, yeah, just feels like a Sunday to me every day. So, yeah, I love playing. I think it's a little different strategy and sometimes more aggressive; sometimes a bit more conservative. But it's great fun."

Lucy Li on moving to Vegas last week

"Yeah, really happy to be a homeowner now. It's really exciting. Just Las Vegas, being close to California, obviously taxes. But there is really good Asian food around here. We were just talking about that. Really good Chinese food. My parents are really happy that I moved to Vegas and not like Florida or something. I'm still really new here. I moved in like literally this weekend, so I'm still getting to know the city and I haven't really done much this week because this is kind of a really tiring week and it's a really short turnaround in the last week. So maybe after this week is over I'll be able to do a little more exploring."

Jenny Shin on being a Vegas resident and having the players come to Shadow Creek

"It was tough to do that yesterday. The weather was quite horrendous. I had about seven people ask me, how do you live here? We have pretty tough weather throughout the year, but today is absolutely perfect. You know, I say, it's not always that bad. (Smiling.) And if you are lucky enough to be a part of the MGM you get to practice here. I've been able to practice here the last month and it's been pretty -- it's a really awesome privilege, so, yeah."

Madelene Sagstrom on what makes Shadow Creek such a good match play course

"I think you have to be -- to play really well here you have to be so precise. The landing zones are zero to none. You're playing 4 and it's like you have about a five to ten yard bubble you can land it on to have a perfect kick. I think it's a very tricky course, so when you're playing well you can do that. But at the same time, if you have good short game, good putting, you can get away with it. This year it's kind of nice. The rough isn't as thick as it was last year. So it's good. The wind has been tricky. Today we were like, well, lights invariable and everywhere, so it's hard. But at the same time, it's such of a beautiful golf course. Greens are perfect. It's a course where you can let go of a double bogey knowing you have birdies in front of you."

Nataliya Guseva on what she tells herself when she's battling in these tough matches "Yeah, honestly, I mean, a lot going in my mind, I understand if I'm going to give it I'm going to really think about that for the whole day, probably for the whole week. To me I'm always like that. I'm never giving up. I'm a big fighter. That's how I always been, especially when I was playing back in the day in the college golf for Kent for Miami. Yeah, I mean, our coach taught us to fight until the end, and I think that's the most important thing."

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