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BMW Ladies Championship

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First-Round Notes

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LEADERBOARD

	Player	To par	Score
T1	Yuri Yoshida	-6	66
T1	Karis Davidson	-6	66
T3	Four players tied	-5	67

COMPETITION HIGHLIGHTS

- Leaders: **Yuri Yoshida** and **Karis Davidson**

Yoshida

- This is her first time holding an 18-hole lead/co-lead in an LPGA Tour event
 - Previous best was T2 at the 2024 FM Championship
- Recorded six birdies and was bogey-free
 - One of four bogey-free rounds
- Hit 16/18 greens in regulation
- This is her best opening round of the season
 - It is also her best round ever at the BMW Ladies Championship

Davidson

- This is her second time holding an 18-hole lead/co-lead in an LPGA Tour event
 - The other instance was at the 2023 ISPS Handa World Invitational presented by AVIV Clinics
- Recorded eight birdies and two bogeys
 - Her eight birdies were tied for the most during R1 with **Lucy Li**
 - Made six birdies on the front nine
- Best opening round since her 65 at the 2026 KPMG Women's PGA Championship
- Best round ever at the BMW Ladies Championship

- T3: **Julia Lopez Ramirez**, **Lauren Coughlin**, **Haeran Ryu**, and **Lucy Li**
Lopez Ramirez

- Best first-round score since her opening round of the season at Honda LPGA Thailand (67)
- Led the field in driving distance at 287.5 yards
- Has played her last two rounds at Pine Beach Golf Links in 11-under
 - Shot a 66 in the final round in 2025

Coughlin

- Made seven birdies and one double bogey
 - Made all seven birdies in her last 13 holes
- Her best round ever at Pine Beach Golf Links

Ryu

- Made five birdies and was bogey-free
 - One of four bogey-free rounds
- Hit 17/18 greens in regulation
 - Tied for the most in the field with **Angel Yin**
 - Made a birdie on her only missed green of the day at hole five

Li

- Made eight birdies and three bogeys in R1
 - Her eight birdies are tied for the most in the field
- Best opening round this season
- First time breaking 70 in the first round this season

A LOOK AT THE LEADERS

CATEGORY	Yuri Yoshida	Karis Davidson
2026 Race to CME Globe Rank	43	59
2026 LPGA Tour Wins	0	0
2026 LPGA Tour Top 10s	3	1
2026 Official Season Earnings	\$606.3K	\$785.6K
Career LPGA Tour Wins	0	0
Career Official LPGA Tour Top 10s	5	5
Career Official Money	\$1.2M	\$1.5M

ABOUT THE LEADERS

Rolex Rankings No. 84 Yuri Yoshida

- Second start at the BMW Ladies Championship
 - Finished T56 in 2025
- 2026: 11 cuts made in 24 starts with three top 10s
 - Finished runner-up at the CPKC Women's Open
 - Finished T10 last week at the Buick LPGA Shanghai
- Career: 5 top 10s and \$1.2M in official career earnings
 - Joined the LPGA Tour in 2023
 - Is a three-time winner on the JLPGA
 - Her last win was at the 2023 World Ladies Championship Solanpas Cup

Rolex Rankings No. 67 Karis Davidson

- Second start at the BMW Ladies Championship
 - Finished T51 in 2025

- 2026: 15 cuts made in 17 starts with one top-10 finish
 - Had a T5 result at the Aramco Championship
 - Her only missed cuts were at the ISPS HANDA Women's Scottish Open and AIG Women's Open
- Career: Five top 10s and \$1.5M in official career earnings
 - First joined the LPGA Tour in 2022
 - Finished No. 76 in the Race to the CME Globe in 2025 for a career-best result
 - Competed on the JLPGA before joining the LPGA Tour

TOURNAMENT SCORING RECORDS:

18 holes – 62, Sei Young Kim (2025) at Pine Beach Golf Links and Ashleigh Buhai (2023) at Seowon Valley Country Club

36 holes – 128, Sei Young Kim (2025) at Pine Beach Golf Links and Hannah Green (2024) at Seowon Valley Country Club

54 holes – 197, Sei Young Kim (2025) at Pine Beach Golf Links

72 holes – 264, Sei Young Kim (2025) at Pine Beach Golf Links

QUOTABLES

Yuri Yoshida (T1, -6) on how she felt she played today

"Just perfect golf. I mean, bit different conditions from last week but I could adjust to it."

Karis Davidson (T1, -6) on whether she gets more aggressive when she is hitting her irons well

"No, I just stuck to my lines. Even the ninth hole kind of cost me a bogey because I was too cautious with my line and then the putt was really tricky. So no, just sort of stuck to the plan."

Julia Lopez Ramirez (T3, -5) on her game plan over the next three days

"I think it's very important out here to hit lots of fairways and lots of greens, and I think that's going to give you the answer. I think the most important thing I think right now is just keep having my fun and try to keep my mind in a really good place. I think that's what keeps you out there and not just going down."

Lucy Li (T3, -5) on her putting in round one

"There was a couple putts that I hit good putts in that just didn't go in. One of them, I was standing over it, and there's no wind when I hit it but then the wind blew like right after I hit it. So I didn't play the wind because it wasn't windy when I made the stroke. Just a couple like those. But you just have to accept it when you're playing in windy conditions."

Lauren Coughlin (T3, -5) on playing in the wind

"Yeah, I think I'm really good at controlling distance and controlling my ball flight, especially if it gets windy and keeping something down if I have to. I really enjoy it. Yeah, I hit it very good today."

Haeran Ryu (T3, -5) on how she felt during round one

"The wind was stronger than I expected early in the round, so I was a little concerned. But I spent a lot of time practicing in the wind yesterday, and I think that really helped me today. It's a little disappointing how things

turned out on the final hole, but I'll take it as a reminder to work even harder tomorrow. I'll try to stay calm and approach tomorrow's round with a clear mind."