



2026 The Chevron Championship

Memorial Park Golf Course | Houston, Texas | April 23-26, 2026

Third-Round Notes

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Course Setup: 36-36—72, 6,540 yards

Scoring Average: R1: 73.039, R2: 72.901, R3: 71.360

Weather: Partly cloudy conditions throughout the day with temperatures reaching into the mid-80s F. Winds picking up mid-morning with southerly winds near 10-12 mph with gusts up to 20 mph.

Race to CME Globe Points: 650 (winner)

Purse: \$9 million (winner's prize, \$1.35 million)

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LEADERBOARD

	Player	To par	Score
1	Nelly Korda	-16	65-65-70 – 200
2	Patty Tavatanakit	-11	67-69-69 – 205
T3	Ruoning Yin	-10	71-69-66 – 206
T3	Pauline Roussin-Bouchard	-10	68-71-67 – 206

COMPETITION HIGHLIGHTS

- Leader: **Nelly Korda** leads by five strokes going into the final round
 - Hit 16 greens in regulation on Saturday, her most in a round this week
 - Did not make birdie on any of her last 12 holes after starting with four birdies in her first six holes
 - Her 32 putts are five more than she has had in any other round this week
 - Played the par 5s even par today after playing them seven-under par through two rounds
 - Tied the 54-hole scoring record at The Chevron Championship; previously set by Jennifer Kupcho in 2022

- Ranks first in best cumulative score-to-par at The Chevron Championship since 2020, entering today:
 - N. Korda, 22 rounds, -64
 - Brooke Henderson, 26 rounds, -32
 - Lydia Ko, 24 rounds, -21
 - Lexi Thompson, 22 rounds, -18
- Tomorrow will mark the 28th time that N. Korda is in a final group since 2017
 - This is five more times than the next closest player
- [Nelly Korda Golf Channel Third Round Interview](#)
- [Nelly Korda Third Round Highlights](#)
- 2: **Patty Tavatanakit** recorded her third consecutive sub-70 round
 - Set a career-best streak of 55 holes without a bogey or worse; made a bogey on No. 13 today
 - Had a streak of 48 consecutive holes without a bogey to start this major championship
 - This is the most of any player to begin The Chevron Championship over the last 30 years
 - Is currently 22 for 23 scrambling this week after leading the field in scrambling last week at the JM Eagle LA Championship
 - Had 75 putts over three rounds
 - This is the fewest of any player in the field through three rounds
 - [Patty Tavatanakit Third Round Highlights](#)
- **Farah O'Keefe** is the only amateur within the top-10 going into Sunday
 - O'Keefe shot an even-par 72 in R3 and recorded the best 54-hole position by an amateur at The Chevron Championship since Morgan Pressel in 2005 (T5)
 - Other amateurs to make the cut include: **Yunseo Yang, Paula Martin Sampedro, Asterisk Talley** and **Andrea Revuelta**
 - Each amateur that made the cut will receive one LEAP point after the conclusion of The Chevron Championship
 - If an amateur finishes inside the top 25 and ties, they will receive two points

WITH A WIN

Nelly Korda

- Would earn her 17th LPGA Tour win and third major championship victory
- Would be projected to return to Rolex Rankings No. 1
- Would be the second time in her career that she moved to Rolex Rankings No. 1 after a major championship victory
 - Moved to Rolex Rankings No. 1 after her 2021 KPMG Women's PGA Championship victory
- Would be the fifth time over the last 10 seasons that a player moved to Rolex Rankings No. 1 after a major championship victory
- Would take the lead in the Rolex ANNIKA Major Award standings
- Would mark her fourth LPGA Tour season with multiple victories
- Would become the eighth different player to win The Chevron Championship two or more times
- Would become the sixth different American to win The Chevron Championship two or more times
- Would become the fifth different player to win The Chevron Championship wire-to-wire (no ties)
- Would become the 35th time a player wins a major championship wire-to-wire
- Would be the first player since **Amy Alcott** at The Chevron Championship in 1991 to win a major championship wire-to-wire after leading by multiple shots after each round

- Would be the third player in the last 50 years to win a major championship after leading by multiple strokes after each round
- Would move to No. 6 on the all-time career money list with the \$1.35 million winner's check, passing **Inbee Park** and **Jeeno Thitikul**

Patty Tavatanakit

- Would earn her third LPGA Tour win and second major championship
- Would lead in the Rolex ANNIKA Major Award standings
- Would be the eighth different player to win The Chevron Championship two or more times
- Would accomplish one of the largest come-from-behind victories at The Chevron Championship
 - The largest come-from-behind victory at The Chevron Championship is seven shots by Karrie Webb in 2006

A LOOK AT THE LEADER

CATEGORY	Nelly Korda
2026 Race to CME Globe Rank	1
2026 LPGA Tour Wins	1
2026 LPGA Tour Top 10s	4
2026 Official Season Earnings	\$1.1M
Career LPGA Tour Wins	16
Career Official LPGA Tour Top 10s	79
Career Official Money	\$17.2M

ABOUT THE LEADER

[Rolex Rankings No. 2 Nelly Korda](#)

- Ninth start at The Chevron Championship
 - 2025 – T14, 2024 – WON, 2023 – 3, 2021 – T3, 2020 – T2, 2019 – T52, 2018 – T13, 2017 – T42
- 2026: Four cuts made in four starts with one win and three additional top 10s
 - Won the Hilton Grand Vacations Tournament of Champions
 - Finished runner-up in back-to-back-back starts at the Fortinet Founders Cup, the Ford Championship presented by Wild Horse Pass and the Aramco Championship
- Career: 16 wins, two major championship victories, 77 top 10s, \$16.9 million in official career earnings
 - In 2024, earned seven wins, including five in consecutive starts
 - Became the first player since 2011 to win seven times in a single season
 - Became the third player in LPGA Tour history to have a season with six or more wins, capture a team victory in the Solheim Cup and earn Player of the Year honors, alongside Beth Daniel (1990) and Annika Sorenstam (2003)
 - 2024 Rolex Player of the Year and Rolex ANNIKA Major Award winner
 - Two-time Olympian for the United States, 2020 Gold Medal winner in Tokyo
 - Four-time U.S. Solheim Cup Team member

CHAMPIONSHIP SCORING RECORDS (OVERALL):

18 holes – 62, Lorena Ochoa (2006) and Lydia Ko (2021) at Mission Hills Country Club

36 holes – 130, Nelly Korda (2026) at Memorial Park Golf Course

54 holes – 200, Nelly Korda (2026) at Memorial Park Golf Course and Jennifer Kupcho (2022) at Mission Hills Country Club

72 holes – 269, Dottie Pepper (1999) at Mission Hills Country Club

QUOTABLE

Nelly Korda (1, -16) on having the opportunity to lead a major

“I love them. I mean, at the end of the day I'm learning so much about myself, too. I mean, on the back nine I learned that I needed to stay in it and not to kind of focus so much on my miss-hits with my putts. So I just needed to keep giving myself opportunities which I was. I don't want it to bleed into the other parts of my game where then I start to get so frustrated that it affects my driver, affects my irons. Just didn't want that at all. I wanted to continue giving myself opportunities even if I want holding them. I was still trying my best, and at the end of the day that's all I can control, is I want to try my best and execute at the best of my ability. I can't be frustrated with anything but that”

Patty Tavatanakit (2, -11) on her headspace going into the final round

“Yeah, I feel like it's been fun so far, and there is nothing to look back to. If anything, I have so much to look forward to. Not necessarily like trying to win tomorrow or anything. I feel like I'm really happy with where I am with myself, with my relationship with golf, with everything. I feel like my life is falling into place very center, like internally. So good golf, bad golf, doesn't really do much to me. It's just a day. Yeah, I'm just really grateful to get to wake up every morning and like figure this game out. It's been fun.”

Ruoning Yin (T3, -10) on what is going well for her at Memorial Park Golf Course

“I'm really proud of how I putt right now because I've been struggling with putting for a long time. Right now I think all the hard work pays off. That's what I love to see. This course, well, I think I've been hitting my iron shots really, really good so that gave me a lot of chances to make birdie. And obviously also we have couple tees moved up as well. That helps me a lot, so, yeah.”

Pauline Roussin-Bouchard (T3, -10) on how she is set up to chase tomorrow

“Nelly going to do Nelly and Pauline is going to do Pauline and this is it. She's going to do her tournament and I'm going to do mine. My dynamic has been working pretty well so I don't see why I should change it. Yeah, I'm just focus on staying in action, doing me, and accepting whatever comes my way.”

Gaby Lopez (T6, -7) on the setup at The Chevron Championship

“We need more golf courses like this. We need longer golf courses. We don't need wedges every single day, every single hole. That's what suits my game. I think it just tests every single part of your game, driving it, hitting 5s, 4s into the greens, chipping it, putting it. I think when you have these golf courses, you have more quality of golf. You have to be more creative around the greens. It's going to be tough for everybody. Even if you're a good ball striker and you're not having a good day, it's going to get you. I feel that I love this kind of challenge.”

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