

**2026 CPKC Women's Open**

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Tuesday Pre-Tournament Notes

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MEDIA AVAILABILITY SCHEDULE

(Zoom link available upon request; all times are local (MDT) and subject to change)

Wed., Aug. 19

Approx. 11:00 a.m. – **Nelly Korda**, Rolex Rankings No. 1

12:30 p.m. – **Kiara Romero**, making her first LPGA Tour start as a professional

Approx. 1:30 p.m. – **Minjee Lee**, 2025 CPKC Women's Open runner-up

Approx. 2:00 p.m. – **Aphrodite Deng**, CPKC Women's Open Sponsor Invite

Approx. 3:45 p.m. – **Leah John**, 2026 LPGA Tour member

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NOTABLE PLAYERS

- [Rolex Rankings No. 1 Nelly Korda](#)
 - Seventh start at the CPKC Women's Open

- 2025 – T10, 2023 – T32, 2022 – T2, 2019 – T20, 2018 – T28, 2017 – T22
 - No missed cuts
 - Remains \$296,011 away from passing Annika Sorenstam to become the career official money leader on the LPGA Tour
 - Sorenstam has held the record for more than 25 years (May 6, 2001)
 - Korda needs a win to pass Sorenstam
 - Remains two points away from the point threshold to be eligible for the LPGA Hall of Fame
 - With a win this week, she would earn one point, which would place her one point from induction
 - Won the 2026 Rolex ANNIKA Major Award
 - Has 239 points after two major championship victories and a T4 finish at the AIG Women's Open
 - Finished 77 points ahead of Haeran Ryu, who also won two major championships
 - Is her second Rolex ANNIKA Major Award after earning it in 2024
 - 2026: Four wins including two major championships, 10 top-10s, and 13 events played
 - Won the Hilton Grand Vacations Tournament of Champions, The Chevron Championship, Riviera Maya Open at Mayakoba and U.S. Women's Open presented by Ally
 - Missed the cut at The Amundi Evian Championship
 - Career: 19 wins, four major championship victories, 85 top-10s, \$22.3 million in official career earnings
 - 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; clinched her spot on the 2026 team
- **Defending Champion, CPKC Ambassador, and Rolex Rankings No. 11 Brooke Henderson**
 - Thirteenth start at the CPKC Women's Open
 - Previous finishes include: 2025 – WIN, 2024 – T8, 2023 – T13, 2022 – T49, 2019 – T3, 2018 – 1, 2017 – T12, 2016 – T14, 2015 – T23, 2014 – T46 (a), 2013 – MC (a), 2012 – MC (a)
 - One of 15 Canadians in the field
 - Winningest Canadian golfer, men or women, with 14 titles
 - 2026: 12 cuts made in 14 starts with three top-10 finish
 - Finished at T29 at the AIG Women's Open
 - Finished second at The Amundi Evian Championship and third at the KPMG Women's PGA Championship
 - Career: 14 wins, two major championship victories, 88 top 10s, \$16.7 million in official career earnings
 - Won the 2025 CPKC Women's Open for her last win on Tour
 - Represented Canada at the 2016 Rio Olympics, 2020 Tokyo Olympics and 2024 Paris Olympics
- **Three-time CPKC Women's Open Champion and Rolex Rankings No. 12 Lydia Ko**
 - This is her twelfth appearance at the CPKC Women's Open
 - 2025 – T5, 2023 – 71, 2022 – 4, 2019 – T35, 2018 – T8, 2017 – MC, 2016 – T7, 2015 – WIN, 2014 – T55, 2013 – WIN, 2012 – WIN

- Became the youngest winner in LPGA Tour history at this event in 2012 at the age of 15 years, 4 months, 2 days
 - Event also contested at Royal Mayfair Golf Club
- Won both the 2012 and 2013 CPKC Women's Open as an amateur
- 2026: 11 cuts made in 14 starts with 5 top 10s
 - Finished T20 at the AIG Women's Open in her last start
- Career: 23 wins, 121 top 10s and \$22.3 million in career official earnings
 - Three-time major champion at the 2024 AIG Women's Open, the 2016 ANA Inspiration and The 2015 Evian Championship
 - Became the youngest player to be inducted into the LPGA Hall of Fame after her win at the 2024 Paris Olympics
 - Multiple time LPGA Award winner including the 2022 and 2016 Rolex Player of the year and the 2014 Louise Suggs Rolex Rookie of the Year
 - Three-time Olympic medalist (Gold at 2024 Paris Olympics, Bronze at 2020 Tokyo Olympics, Silver at 2016 Rio Olympics)
 - Was a member of the World Team at the 2025 Hanwha LIFEPLUS International Crown

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- This is the 52nd edition of the CPKC Women's Open
 - Third occasion of the CPKC Women's Open at the Royal Mayfair Golf Club and the CPKC Women's Open has taken place at 31 different venues across Canada since 1973
- **Kiara Romero** won her second Mark. H McCormack Medal and immediately accepted LPGA Membership
 - Romero will make her first professional start this week at Royal Mayfair Golf Club as a sponsor invite
 - She is the second player to become eligible through this pathway, following Lottie Woad who achieved the feat in 2025
- **Anna Huang** returns to the CPKC Women's Open for the third time in her career
 - Recently won her fourth tournament on the LET at the PIF London Championship, making her the youngest player to win four LET titles at 17 years and 283 days old
- **Aphrodite Deng** is in the field after finishing last year's CPKC Women's Open T20 and earning the Marlene Stewart Streit medal for low amateur
- The CPKC Women's Open is the cutoff event for the U.S. Solheim Cup Team and the finalized team will be announced Monday, August 24th
- There are 15 Canadians competing in the field this week at Royal Mayfair Golf Club
- There are 14 amateurs in the field

STAT LEADERS

Official Money: Nelly Korda, \$6,178,125

Scoring Average: Nelly Korda, 69.18

Strokes Gained Total: Nelly Korda, 3.44

Greens in Regulation: Haeran Ryu, 79.14%

Scrambling Percentage: Miyu Yamashita, 68.67%

Average Driving Distance: Julia Lopez Ramirez, 288.20 yards

SEASON-LONG INITIATIVES

Race to CME Globe

The Race to CME Globe is 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. The player who wins the CME Group Tour Championship will be named the "Race to the CME Globe Champion."

- **Nelly Korda** remains in the lead with 3,674.875 points
- Following The Standard Portland Classic, the following players moved up in the rankings:
 - **Jeeno Thitikul** moved up 2 spots to No. 3 with 2,257.875 points
 - **Arpichaya Yubol** moved up 15 spots to No. 13
 - **Chanettee Wannasaen** moved up 29 spots to No. 30

Aon Risk Reward Challenge No.5, par 5 at Royal Mayfair Golf Club

The Aon Risk Reward Challenge is a unique, season-long competition on the LPGA Tour that highlights the game's best players as they navigate some of the most strategically challenging holes on tour. Players will take their best two scores from each Aon Risk Reward Challenge hole, with the winners having the best average score to par at the end of the regular season. The winner will take home the Aon trophy and a \$1 Million prize.

- Ryann O'Toole leads at -.955
- No. 5: Offers a tempting opportunity for players to consider going for the green in two. With out-of-bonds hugging the entire left-side, and a greenside bunker complex, it is paramount for players to keep the ball in-play in order to attack the green for scoring opportunities.

CME Group Cares Challenge

The CME Group Cares Challenge is a season-long charitable giving program that turns aces into donations.

CME Group donates \$20,000 for each hole-in-one made on the LPGA Tour in 2026, with a minimum guaranteed donation of \$500,000 to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, which is leading the way in how the world understands, treats and defeats childhood cancer and life-threatening diseases.

- The last ace was made by **Anne Chen** at The Standard Portland Classic
- \$300,000 has been donated in 2026 bringing the all-time amount donated to \$3.66 million