



## 2026 Honda LPGA Thailand

Siam Country Club, Old Course | Pattaya, Chonburi, Thailand | Feb. 19-22, 2026

### Tuesday Pre-Tournament Notes

Feb. 17, 2026

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### MEDIA AVAILABILITY SCHEDULE

(All times are local and subject to change)

#### Wednesday, February 18

10:30 a.m. – **Jeeno Thitikul**, 2025 Rolex Player of the Year  
 10:45 a.m. – **Miyu Yamashita**, 2025 Louise Suggs Rolex Rookie of the Year  
 11:00 a.m. – **Angel Yin**, 2025 Honda LPGA Thailand Champion  
 3:00 p.m. – **Muni He**, Sponsor Invitation

### LPGA NEWS

- [Yunseo Yang Earns One LEAP Point with Win at 2026 Women's Amateur Asia Pacific](#)
- [Charley Hull Cracks Top Three of Rolex Women's World Golf Rankings](#)

### NOTABLE PLAYERS

- [Rolex Rankings No. 1 Jeeno Thitikul](#)
  - Sixth start at the Honda LPGA Thailand
    - 2025 – 3rd, 2023 – 3rd, 2022 – T8, 2021 – 2nd, 2019 – T54 (a), 2017 – T37 (a)

- 2025: 19 cuts made in 20 starts with 14 top-10 finishes and three wins
  - Successfully defended her title at the 2025 CME Group Tour Championship to close out the season
    - Won earlier in the year at the Mizuho Americas Open and the Buick LPGA Shanghai
  - Had six consecutive top-10 finishes, including four top-two finishes
  - Her 14 top 10s were the most she has recorded in a single season since her rookie year in 2022, 16
  - Earned Rolex Player of the Year honors for the first time in her career and earned the Vare Trophy for lowest scoring average for the second time
- Career: Seven wins, 55 top 10s, \$17.4 million in official career earnings
  - In 2024, earned two wins and recorded 12 top 10s in 17 starts
    - Won the Dow Championship and the CME Group Tour Championship
    - Won the 2024 Aon Risk Reward Challenge
    - Broke Lorena Ochoa's single-season earnings record with a season total of \$6,059,309
  - 2023 Vare Trophy recipient
  - 2022 Louise Suggs Rolex Rookie of the Year
  - Member of the 2023 and 2025 Hanwha LIFEPLUS International Crown teams and represented Thailand at the 2024 Paris Olympics
- **Rolex Rankings No. 4 Miyu Yamashita**
  - Making her first career start at the Honda LPGA Thailand
  - 2025: 23 cuts made in 25 starts with two wins and 12 top 10s in her rookie season
    - Won the AIG Women's Open in July to claim her first career victory and the Maybank Championship in October for her second
      - Became the first player since 2022 to make the AIG Women's Open her first career win
      - The 12th player to make the AIG Women's Open her first major championship victory
      - Became the sixth Japanese player to win a major championship
    - Was named the 2025 Louise Suggs Rolex Rookie of the Year
      - Became the third player from Japan to earn the award since it was introduced and second consecutive Japanese winner
    - Represented Japan at the 2025 Hanwha LIFEPLUS International Crown in South Korea
  - Career: Earned medalist honors at the Final Qualifying portion of LPGA Q-Series to earn LPGA Membership for the 2025 season
    - Made 12 starts on the LPGA Tour before earning Membership
    - Finished T4 at the 2024 Paris Olympics
    - Competed on the JLPGA and won 13 times including three major championships
    - Earned JLPGA Player of the Year honors in 2022 and 2023
    - Leading money winner on the JLPGA in 2022 and 2023
- **Defending Champion and Rolex Rankings No. 13 Angel Yin**
  - Fifth start at the Honda LPGA Thailand

- 2025 – 1, 2022 – T47, 2021 – T3, 2019 – T23, 2018 – T44
- 2025: 17 cuts made in 19 starts with six top 10s and one win
  - Won the 2025 Honda LPGA Thailand
    - Made a birdie on No. 18 on Sunday for a 7-under 65 that held off sponsor invitation **Akie Iwai**
  - Finished T5 at The Amundi Evian Championship for her best finish at a major in 2025
- Career: Two wins, 37 career top 10s, \$8 million in career official earnings
  - Won the 2025 Honda LPGA Thailand and the 2023 Buick LPGA Shanghai
  - Won the 2023 Aon Risk Reward Challenge
  - Three-time Solheim Cup participant (2017, 2019, 2023)
  - Represented the United States at the 2025 Hanwha LIFEPLUS International Crown

### NOTABLE TOURNAMENT INFO

- 19th edition of HLPGA
  - Held at Siam Country Club (Old Course) in 2007, 2009-2019 and 2021-present
- Defending champion is **Angel Yin** who earned her second career victory in 2025
  - Recorded seven birdies in R4; hit 12/14 fairways, 16/18 greens in regulation and had 29 putts
  - Ranked 1st across the field in most birdies over four rounds (30)
  - Broke the 72-hole tournament scoring record set by **Nanna Koerstz Madsen** and **Xiyu Lin** in 2022
- Three past champions are in the field: **Angel Yin** (2025), **Nanna Koerstz Madsen** (2022), **Ariya Jutanugarn** (2021)
- Since 1980, **Akie Iwai** is the only player to record two rounds of 62 or better in a single tournament
  - Shot 62-67-71-61 at the 2025 HLPGA Thailand
- **Jeeno Thitikul** is making her first appearance in this event as the Rolex Rankings World No. 1
- **Prim Prachnakorn** is the only amateur in the field and has an opportunity to earn LEAP points
- There are 12 sponsor invitations in the field: **Chanoknan Angurasarane**, **Gianna Clemente**, **Muni He**, **Moriya Jutanugarn**, **Danielle Kang**, **Naruha Miyata**, **Benedetta Moreseco**, **Pornanong Phatlum**, **Prim Prachnakorn (a)**, **Yuka Saso**, **Rin Yoshida**, **Yuri Yoshida**
- Tournament scoring records:
  - 18 holes: 61, **Akie Iwai** (R4, 2025)
  - 36 holes: 128, **Nasa Hataoka** (2022), **Su Oh** (2022), **Patty Tavatanakit** (2021) and **Jessica Korda** (2018)
  - 54 holes: 195, **Angel Yin** (2025) and **Nanna Koerstz Madsen** (2022)
  - 72 holes: 260, **Angel Yin** (2025)

### STAT LEADERS

Official Money: Nelly Korda, \$315,000

Scoring Average: Nelly Korda, 67.67

Greens in Regulation: Jeeno Thitikul, 85.19%

Scrambling Percentage: Amy Yang, 100%

Average Driving Distance: Nelly Korda, 272.17 yards

## **SEASON-LONG INITIATIVES**

### Race to CME Globe

*The Race to the CME Globe is a season-long points competition with LPGA Tour Members accumulating points in every official LPGA Tour event to qualify for the season-ending tournament, the CME Group Tour Championship. The player who wins the CME Group Tour Championship is named the "Race to the CME Globe Champion." The top 60 points earners and ties earn a spot into the season finale with the entire field competing for a \$11 million purse, highlighted by a \$4 million winner's check, which is the largest winner's prize in the history of women's golf.*

- **Nelly Korda** earned 500 points for her win at the season opening Hilton Grand Vacations Tournament of Champions
- In 2025, **Jeeno Thitikul** earned the most points with 4,066.950 in 20 starts

### Aon Risk Reward Challenge: No. 15 at Siam Country Club (Old Course)

*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.*

- **Bailey Tardy** leads at  $-2.000$  through the first event of the season
- **Jennifer Kupcho** won the 2025 Aon Risk Reward Challenge
- No. 15 at Siam Country Club places more emphasis on extra length off the tee than any other hole on the course
  - One in ten players has been successful in reaching the green from the tee, gaining 0.4 strokes on the field
  - A tree in the middle of the fairway tests players' execution with their lay-up, while water and greenside bunkers challenge players who hit driver

### 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 2025, 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.*

- There were 22 holes in one throughout the 2025 season
- The total for 2025 was \$440,000 donated toward St. Jude Children's Research Hospital
- 332 all-time eligible holes-in-one since the program started in 2019
- \$3,380,000 all-time amount donated