



2026 Kroger Queen City Championship presented by P&G
Maketewah Country Club | Cincinnati, OH | May 14-17, 2026

Second-Round Notes

May 15, 2026

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Course Setup: 35-35—70, 6,329 yards

Scoring Average: R1: 71.896, R2: 70.758

Weather: Throughout today, there will be increasing cloud cover.

Temperatures will trend cool once again in the morning before warming to near 70F by the late afternoon; southwesterly winds will occur generally calmer at 5-11 mph with the occasional gust near 15 mph.

Race to CME Globe Points: 500 (winner)

Purse: \$2 million (winner's prize, \$300,000)

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Tournament: @QueenCityLPGA (X, Instagram)

LEADERBOARD

	Player	To par	Score
T1	Amanda Doherty	-7	67-66 – 133
T1	Jin Young Ko	-7	67-66 – 133
3	Lottie Woad	-6	70-64 – 134
4	Lydia Ko	-5	68-67 – 135

COMPETITION HIGHLIGHTS

- 77 players made the cut at +2 or better
- Co-leaders: **Jin Young Ko** and **Amanda Doherty**
 - Ko was one of three players to go bogey-free in the second round
 - Second bogey-free round of the season and 69th of her career
 - This is the first time she has led or co-led after the first round of play since the 2022 season
 - Has three wins and a top five finish when leading after the first round
 - Her 133 is her best 36-hole score of the season
 - Her previous best is 139 at the 2026 Honda LPGA Thailand
 - Eleventh time leading after the second round of play
 - Third time leading after both first and second rounds of play

- Has won wire-to-wire twice in her career
 - [Jin Young Ko First Round Interview](#)
 - Doherty holds the lead or co-lead heading into the weekend for just the second time in her career
 - Last done at the 2022 ISPS Handa World Invitational
 - Is inside the top five heading into the weekend for just the third time in her career
 - First time since the 2025 Meijer LPGA Classic for Simply Give, T5
 - Just the third time in her career she has held the lead following any round of play
 - Career best 36-hole score with her 133
 - Previous best was 134 done twice first set in 2022
 - Led the field in driving distance in the second round with an average of 325.5 yards
 - This is the first time Doherty has made the cut at this event in four starts
 - Third: **Lottie Woad**
 - Woad recorded the low round of the week so far with her 64
 - Ties her lowest 18-hole score of the season
 - Last done in R4 at the Honda LPGA Thailand
 - Her 64 is also her career-best 18-hole score
 - Her 134 is her lowest 36-hole score of the season and the second-lowest of her career
 - Career-best 132 at the ISPS HANDA Women's Scottish Open
 - Lowest 2026 36-hole score is 136 at the Hilton Grand Vacations Tournament of Champions
 - [Lottie Woad Second Round Interview](#)
 - Fourth: **Lydia Ko**
 - Ko's 135 is her lowest 36-hole score since the Ford Championship, 131
 - First time she started with back-to-back 60s since the Honda LPGA Classic earlier this season
 - Has only hit nine fairways so far this week
 - Hit 5 of 14 in R1 and 4 of 14 in R2
 - Ranks T127 among the field
 - Her nine fairways hit are the fewest of her career through 36 holes of play
 - First time a player has hit nine or fewer fairways and finished inside the top five after 36 holes since Charley Hull in 2023
 - [Lydia Ko Second Round Interview](#)
 - **Jodi Ewart Shadoff** recorded her seventh career ace
 - She hit her 7 iron 163 yards on No. 12
 - [Jodi Ewart Shadoff Second Round Hole-in-One](#)
 - Her seventh ace is tied for the second-most hole-in-ones on the LPGA Tour since 1980
 - Meg Mallon – 8
 - **Jodi Ewart Shadoff – 7**
 - Vicki Fergon – 7
 - Five Players – 6
 - It is the eighth hole in one of the 2026 season
 - 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 donation total is now \$160,000
- **Danielle Kang** withdrew during her first round
- **Haeji Kang** withdrew prior to her second round due to injury
- **Peiyun Chen** withdrew prior to her second round

A LOOK AT THE LEADERS

CATEGORY	Amanda Doherty	Jin Young Ko
2026 Race to CME Globe Rank	123	116
2026 LPGA Tour Wins	0	0
2026 LPGA Tour Top 10s	0	0
2026 Official Season Earnings	\$27K	\$70.2K
Career LPGA Tour Wins	0	15
Career Official LPGA Tour Top 10s	2	63
Career Official Money	\$613.9K	\$14.8M

ABOUT THE LEADERS

Rolex Rankings No. 420 Amanda Doherty

- Fourth start at the Kroger Queen City Championship presented by P&G
 - 2025 – MC, 2023 – MC, 2022 – MC
- 2026: One cut made in two starts
 - Finished T20 at the Riviera Maya Open at Mayakoba and missed the cut at the Ford Championship
 - Has also made just one cut on the Epson Tour this season
 - Finished T14 at the Atlantic Beach Classic presented by Access Golf
- Career: Two top 10s with \$613.9K in official career earnings
 - Has a career-best T8 finish at the 2024 Dow Championship with partner Caroline Inglis as well as the 2022 ISPS Handa World Invitational
 - Finished seventh on the Epson Tour's Official Money List to earn LPGA Tour Membership for the 2022 season
 - Competed as an amateur at Florida State University and was named to the All-ACC Team in 2018

Rolex Rankings No. 51 Jin Young Ko

- Second start at the Kroger Queen City Championship presented by P&G
 - 2025 – MC
- 2026: Five cuts made in six starts
 - Has not finished higher than T27 this season
 - Lone missed cut came at The Chevron Championship
- Career: 15 wins, two major championships, 63 top 10s with \$14.8 million in official career earnings
 - Last career victory came at the 2023 Fortinet Founders Cup

- 2021 and 2019 Rolex Player of the Year, 2019 Rolex ANNIKA Major Award, 2019 Vare Trophy winner
- 2018 Louise Suggs Rolex Rookie of the Year
- Represented the Republic of Korea at the 2024 Paris Olympics (T25) and 2020 Tokyo Olympics (T9) as well as the 2023 and 2025 Hanwha LIFEPLUS International Crown
- 10-time winner on the KLPGA Tour

TOURNAMENT SCORING RECORDS

18 holes: 63, Chanette Wannasaen (R1, 2025)*, Lydia Ko (R4, 2024)*, Nasa Hataoka (R2, 2023)**, Jeongeun Lee6 (R2, 2022)**

36 holes: 130, Peiyun Chien (2023)**

54 holes: 200, Charley Hull (2025)*

72 holes: 265, Lydia Ko (2024)*

**Record set at TPC River's Bend*

***Record set at Kenwood Country Club*

QUOTABLE

Jin Young Ko (T1, -7) on her bogey-free second round

"I just trying to not afraid to make bogey and I just want to be brave to play on the course. Yeah, overall I just want to make sure like clearly before I'm hitting the shot. I think it helps a little."

Amanda Doherty (T1, -7) on the comfort level with her swing

"Yeah, I'm definitely pretty comfortable in my swing right now. There is a few fairways out there that I think are kind of hard to hit so you got to take the -- roll with the punches a little bit and know you'll be in the rough a few time, and try to capitalize when you do, when you're in the fairway.

Lottie Woad (3, -6) on getting gummies after a birdie from her caddie

"Yeah, we've done it on a few. It depends if he's had them or not. It's like if you make a birdie, you get a gummy. I got a few of those today, so it was nice."

Lydia Ko (4, -5) on the differences between rounds one and two

"I think my front nine today, which was the course's back nine, I really didn't hole a lot of putts. I had a few birdie opportunities that kind of slid by, and, you know, I missed couple greens and wasn't able to make an up and down from there. I think holing that putt on 18 was kind of nice to feel like, okay, I can make a birdie. You know, with a few -- some of the shorter holes on the actual front nine I felt like I could capitalize on that. Yeah, the only difference was that I just holed a couple more putts coming in. Sometimes those par saves and those momentum is probably the biggest thing that kind of gets you going. I feel like I was just able to do that a lot better after 18."

Jennifer Kupcho (T5, -4) on the importance of hitting fairways at Maketewah Country Club

"Yeah, the rough out here is pretty thick. I think as well as like it's hard to control the balls coming into the green with it being thick, but it's firm so bouncing everything up. Sometimes there some bunkers in front of the greens. So, yeah, definitely hitting it in the fairway is really good."

Nelly Korda (T5, -4) on the lower scores during the morning wave

"No, I mean, definitely the weather. There was no wind in the morning. It was nice. It was kind of like warming up. I mean, obviously it's colder in the morning. I think when we started it was 50 to mid-50s, so as the day went on with no wind, almost zero, I mean, the course is pretty gettable. Any course is gettable at that point, yeah."

Jeeno Thitikul (T5, -4) on playing with Nelly and Lydia over the past two rounds

"It was great. It was one of the, you know, my favorite group to play. Nelly is playing fantastic golf and then also she playing fast, too, so extra love it. And also Lydia is always one of my sweetest older sisters in the Tour for sure. So it's great to be pair with them because, you know, like on the final round you might see all these girl in last couple group for sure."

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[Amanda Doherty Second Round Highlights](#)

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[Ruoning Yin Golf Channel Second Round Interview](#)

[Lottie Woad Finds Rhythm, Fires 6-Under at Kroger Queen City Championship presented by P&G](#)

SOCIAL SNAPSHOT

[On to the weekend](#) →

[Amanda Doherty making this loooong putt look easy](#) 🙌 She's now one shot back of the lead

[Lexi Thompson with that stellar approach game](#) 🌟

[Charley Hull is out here DEFENDING](#) 🙌

[Another day, another ace for Jodi Ewart Shadoff](#) 🙌 That makes SEVEN career aces 🤖

[SLAM DUUUUUNK](#) 🙌🙌 Kumkang Park with a killer eagle hole out

[Might need a new bag of gummies after Lottie's lights out round](#) 🌟🌟

[NELLY ALMOST HOLES OUT !! She taps it in for a birdie on 8](#) 🙌

[A trio of birdies for Lydia, Nelly, and Jeeno](#) 🙌

[Lydia Ko's on a heater](#) 🙌 She's now -4 through 14

[Another circle added to Lydia Ko's scorecard](#) 🟦 She's now -3!

[Lydia Ko moves to -2 after a smoooth birdie putt](#) 🙌

[Jeeno and Nelly are making moves](#) 🙌🙌 They're both -2 through 6

[Talk about a heavyweight grouping](#) 🙌🙌