



2026 The Standard Portland Classic

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Tuesday Pre-Tournament Notes

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MEDIA AVAILABILITY SCHEDULE

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

Wed., Aug 12

TBD – **Farah O’Keefe (a)**, 2026 NCAA Division I Individual Champion

TBD – **Maria Jose Marin (a)**, 2026 Augusta National Women’s Amateur Champion

TBD – **Valentine Delon (a)**, 2026 The Women’s Amateur Champion

1:30 p.m. – **Yealimi Noh**, LPGA Tour winner

TOURNAMENT NEWS

[LPGA Announce The Standard as Official Workplace Benefits Partner of the LPGA Tour](#) – August 11, 2026

[Megha Ganne to Compete at The Standard Portland Classic via Winning the 2026 Inkster Award Presented by Workday](#) – August 10, 2026

NOTABLE PLAYERS

- [Rolex Rankings No. 2 Jeeno Thitikul](#)
 - Second start at The Standard Portland Classic
 - 2023 – T7

- 2026: 12 cuts made in 14 starts with two wins and five additional top 10s
 - Won the Honda LPGA Thailand and defended her title at the Mizuho Americas Open
 - Has finished inside the top 10 in five of her last seven starts
 - Her only missed cuts have come at The Chevron Championship and the Meijer LPGA Classic for Simply Give
- Career: Nine wins, 60 top 10s, \$19.4 million in official career earnings
 - 2023 Vare Trophy recipient
 - 2022 Louise Suggs Rolex Rookie of the Year
 - Member of the Thailand Team at the 2023 and 2025 Hanwha LIFEPLUS International Crown and represented Thailand at the 2024 Paris Olympics
- Rolex Rankings No. 3 Haeran Ryu
 - Third start at The Standard Portland Classic
 - 2025 – T7, 2023 – MC
 - 2026: 12 cuts made in 13 starts with two major championship victories and seven additional top 10 finishes
 - Shot a 60 in the third round of The Amundi Evian Championship, the lowest 18-hole score in major championship history on the LPGA Tour
 - Has finished inside the top 10 in her last four starts including three inside the top two
 - Finished T6 at the AIG Women's Open in her last start
 - Her lone missed cut of the season came at the Aramco Championship
 - Career: Five wins, two major championships, 33 top 10s, \$10.2 million in official career earnings
 - Participant at the 2025 Hanwha LIFEPLUS International Crown representing the Republic of Korea
 - Has five wins on the KLPGA Tour
- Rolex Rankings No. 13 Aki Iwai
 - Second start at The Standard Portland Classic
 - 2025 – Won
 - Became a Rolex First-Time Winner at this event last season
 - Won by four shots over **Gurleen Kaur** last season
 - 2026: 16 cuts made in 19 starts with four top 10s
 - Had a season-best finish of third at The Amundi Evian Championship
 - Last missed cut was at the Meijer LPGA Classic for Simply Give
 - Career: One win, 11 top 10s with \$2.9 million in official career earnings
 - Became a Rolex First-Time Winner at the 2025 Standard Portland Classic
 - Plays on Tour with her twin sister Chizzy who also became a Rolex First-Time Winner in 2025

NOTABLE TOURNAMENT INFO

- This is the 54th edition of The Standard Portland Classic
 - Longest-running tournament on the LPGA Tour outside of major championships
 - The 36th edition of the event at Columbia Edgewater Country Club
 - Became a 72-hole event in 2013

- New to 2026, four amateur champions received exemptions into The Standard Portland Classic
 - The winners of the U.S. Women's Amateur, The Women's Amateur Championship, Augusta National Women's Amateur and the NCAA Division I Women's Golf Championship (Individual) are all exempt into this event
 - This will be the first time that the winners of all four amateur events listed above will have the opportunity to compete in the same LPGA Tour event. The three players competing on that exemption this week are:
 - Maria Jose Marin (Augusta National Women's Amateur)
 - Farah O'Keefe (NCAA Division I Women's Golf Championship)
 - VelIntine Delon (The Women's Amateur Championship)
 - Asterisk Talley won the 2026 U.S. Women's Amateur but could not attend the tournament

STAT LEADERS

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

Scoring Average: Nelly Korda, 69.18

Strokes Gained Total: Nelly Korda, 3.51

Greens in Regulation: Haeran Ryu, 79.82%

Scrambling Percentage: Miyu Yamashita, 68.67%

Average Driving Distance: Riley Smyth, 288.74 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 an \$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 remains in first with 3,474.875
- Following the AIG Women's Open, several players moved up in the rankings:
 - **Esther Henseleit** moved up 26 spots to No. 17
 - **Yealimi Noh** moved up 46 spots to No. 49

Aon Risk Reward Challenge: No. 10, par 5 at Columbia Edgewater Country 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 -1.000
- No. 10: Features a generous landing area off the tee, and while the tee shot may be welcoming, a critical decision awaits players on their approach

- o With water protecting the front, right portion of the green, players will make a critical decision on whether or not to go for this green in two. 53% of players who find the fairway with their drive are expected to go for it, with 29% going for the green when finding the rough
- o Missing the wide fairway is expected to coast players nearly two-tenths of a stroke. In the 2020 championship, winner Georgia Hall gained almost two full strokes on the field on this hole alone, carding birdies in rounds one and three

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.

- The last ace was made by **Brooke Henderson** at The Amundi Evian Championship
- \$280,000 has been donated in 2026, bringing the all-time amount donated to \$3.64 million