



RIVIERA MAYA OPEN^{at} MAYAKOBA

El Camaleon Golf Course at Mayakoba | Playa del Carmen, Quintana Roo, Mexico | April 30 – May 3, 2026

Third-Round Notes

May 2, 2026

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Course Setup: 36-36—72, 6,314 yards

Scoring Average: R1: 73.334; R2: 73.100; R3: 73.295

Weather: Partly cloudy with southeasterly winds between 7-13 mph and gusts up to 24 mph and temperatures in the 90s

Race to CME Globe Points: 500 (winner)

Purse: \$2.50 million (winner's prize, \$375,000)

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Tournament: @rivieramayaopen (X, Instagram)

LEADERBOARD

	Player	To par	Score
1	Nelly Korda	-14	68-67-67 – 202
2	Aprichaya Yubol	-11	70-69-66 – 205
3	Minami Katsu	-10	69-68-69 – 206
T4	Two players	-9	207

COMPETITION HIGHLIGHTS

- **Leader: Nelly Korda** set a new 54-hole scoring record at the Riviera Maya Open at Mayakoba at 202
 - Had 11/14 fairways, 14/18 greens in regulation, and had 29 putts
 - Has carded back-to-back bogey-free rounds of 67
 - Third time with the lead or co-lead after 54 holes this season
 - Went on to win the other two, including last week at The Chevron Championship
 - Is a combined 11-under on par 5s through three rounds
 - Has recorded only one bogey through 354 holes, the fewest in the field
 - Has now gone 43 holes bogey-free
 - [Nelly Korda Third Round Golf Channel Interview](#)
 - [Nelly Korda Third Round Highlights](#)
- **2nd: Aprichaya Yubol** signed for the low round of the day with a 6-under 66
 - Hit 9/14 fairways, 12/18 greens in regulation and had 24 putts
 - Her best placement after 54 holes of her career
 - Previous best was T4 at the 2024 Walmart NW Arkansas Championship presented by P&G

- The 66 is her best round of the season by four shots
 - Her first two rounds in the 60's this season have come this week
- [Arpichaya Yubol Third Round Highlights](#)
- 3rd: **Minami Katsu** made eagle on the par-4 17 to move into the final grouping
 - Carded a 3-under 69 in R3
 - Shot a 5-under 31 on the back nine
 - One of two players to record all three rounds in the 60s, joining Nelly Korda
 - Her third-place position after 54 holes is her joint-best position of the season
 - Was T3 at the Ford Championship presented by Wild Horse Pass
 - Finished the event in third
- **Gaby Lopez** is the leading Mexican player, sitting at 4-under for the tournament
 - Shot a 1-over 73 in R3
 - Carded a back-nine 33 to move back into the top 10

WITH A WIN

Nelly Korda

- Would earn her 18th LPGA Tour win
 - Would be the 26th American to earn 18 or more wins on the LPGA Tour
 - Would be the first to reach 18 LPGA Tour wins since **Lydia Ko** at the 2022 BMW Ladies Championship
 - Would be the first American to reach 18 LPGA Tour wins since **Cristie Kerr** at the 2015 CME Group Tour Championship
 - Would be the youngest American player to reach 18 LPGA Tour wins since **Nancy Lopez** at the 1980 Women's Kemper Open
- Would earn her 23rd point toward the LPGA Tour Hall of Fame
 - Twenty-seven points are required for induction into the LPGA Hall of Fame
- Would earn her third win of the 2026 season
 - Would have more wins this season than players who have finished ahead of her this year in events (**Hyo Joo Kim** (2) and **Lauren Coughlin**)
- Would earn back-to-back victories
 - Would be the 15th time since 1950 that an LPGA Tour player won a major championship then the tournament after
 - Would be the first time since **Celine Boutier** in 2023 (The Amundi Evian Championship, FREED GROUP Women's Scottish open presented by Trust Golf) that a player won a major championship then the tournament after
 - Would be the first since since **Lorena Ochoa** in 2008 (The Chevron Championship, Corona Championship, Ginn Open) that a player won The Chevron Championship and the tournament following it
 - Would be the first American player to win the week after winning a major championship since **Meg Mallon** in 2004
 - Would be the second player this season to win back-to-back victories alongside **Hyo Joo Kim** (Fortinet Founders Cup, Ford Championship presented by Wild Horse Pass)
- Would be her third season on the LPGA Tour with three or more victories (2021, four wins; 2024, seven wins)
- Would be her first win since she returned to No. 1 in the Rolex Women's World Golf Rankings

- Would be her third win the week she returned to Rolex Rankings No. 1 including 2024 Ford Championship presented by Wild Horse Pass and 2021 The ANNIKA driven by Gainbridge at Pelican
- Would be the first American to win in Mexico since **Christina Kim** won at the 2014 Citibanmex Lorena Ochoa Invitational presented by Aeromexico and Delta

Aprichaya Yubol

- Would become a Rolex First-Time Winner
 - Would be the first Rolex First-Time Winner since **Miranda Wang** at the 2025 FM Championship
 - Would be the second consecutive player to become a Rolex First-Time Winner at this event
 - Would be the first Rolex First Time Winner from Thailand since **Chanettee Wannasaen** since the 2023 Standard Portland Classic
- Would be the eighth Thai player to win on the LPGA Tour
- Would be the second Thai player to win in 2026 following **Jeeno Thitikul** (Honda LPGA Thailand)
- Would earn her first win and sixth top-10 finish in her 75th start on the LPGA Tour
- Would be the second youngest player to win on the LPGA Tour this season following **Jeeno Thitikul** (23 years old)

A LOOK AT THE LEADER

CATEGORY	Nelly Korda
2026 Race to CME Globe Rank	1
2026 LPGA Tour Wins	2
2026 LPGA Tour Top 10s	5
2026 Official Season Earnings	\$2.5M
Career LPGA Tour Wins	17
Career Official LPGA Tour Top 10s	80
Career Official Money	\$18.6M

ABOUT THE LEADER

[Rolex Rankings No. 1 Nelly Korda](#)

- First start at the Riviera Maya Open at Mayakoba
- 2026: Six cuts made in six starts with two wins and three additional top 10s
 - Won the Hilton Grand Vacations Tournament of Champions and The Chevron Championship
 - 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: 17 wins, three major championship victories, 80 top 10s, \$18.6 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

TOURNAMENT SCORING RECORDS:

18 holes: 65, Miranda Wang (2025, R1)

36 holes: 135, Nelly Korda and Brianna Do (2026)

54 holes: 202, Nelly Korda (2026)

72 holes: 276, Chizzy Iwai (2025)

QUOTABLE

Nelly Korda (1, -14) on the course and the crowds this week in Mexico

"It's been great. I mean, the crowds have been great. The location is great. It's a hard golf course actually. It's really tight off the tee. A little bit different to last week where even if you are in the rough it was okay. So really have to dial in off the tee, because you know there is trouble on each side."

Aprichaya Yubol (2, -11) on her dad caddying for her this week

"I can see his face. He is really happy and excited, too, so this is the best position right now for us. We work together. He's getting old now. He says probably maybe this is last like time caddie if he tired. I say with that okay, we have to do or best this week. Every thing happen is happen and especially I know my position is not good right now because they going to do reshuffle after this week. So I remind myself all the time you have to focus on your game and then everything happen is happen. So it's golf. So just focus on your game, do your best, and just make it."

Yu Liu (T4, -9) on her round today after a great second round

"Yeah, I would say I scored very well today with the game that I had. It was just hard to follow up a really great round yesterday. So today the game, I wouldn't call it as solid as yesterday. I was hitting a little bit of loose shots here and there. Overall, really happy how I handled it today."

Brianna Do (T4, -9) on how she battled back in the round after a tough start

"Yeah, I'm really proud of myself. I'm proud of what I've done in the last, I don't know, year and a half kind of putting myself in positions where I have a chance to do something, you know. And so I can't be upset with how I'm playing and how I finished today, but I want to win, and hopefully things go my way a little tomorrow. We'll see what happens."

Alana Uriell (T43, +2) on playing on having to take PTO to play this week in Mexico

"So I have now the opportunities to come back with my Class A and play, and it's been so exciting. It's nice to see some of my friends. Nice to be here in Mexico. Already feels like a vacation. I'm taking PTO from my job. I work at Visa and it's so exciting. They have a program for former professional athletes and it's been really nice getting the business experience for more of a long-term look at my career."

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[Nelly Korda Taps in for Eagle and a 67 to Build a 3-Shot Lead in Mexico](#)

[Yu Liu Third Round Highlights](#)

SOCIAL SNAPSHOT

[Nelly Korda pulled ahead of the pack here at the Riviera Maya Open 🏌️‍♀️](#)

[All gas, no brakes 🚗 Nelly Korda leads Riviera Maya Open by three shots heading into Champ Sunday 🏆](#)

[Nelly's just showing off at this point 😁](#)

[NEAR ALBATROSS 🎯!!Brianna Do almost holed it from the fairway.](#)

[Nelly Korda adds another birdie to the scorecard 🐦](#)

[Hometown hero Gaby Lopez with a stunner off the tee 🌟](#)

[Maria Jose Marin out here making this eagle putt look easy 🙄](#)

[AN INCH AWAY FROM A SLAM DUNK !!](#)

[Arpichaya Yubol making a Saturday charge 🙄](#)

[Getting dialed in 🙄](#)

[Moving day is here 📄](#)

[First-round momentum kept Brianna Do going yesterday and kept her at the top of the leaderboard 📄](#)