

2026 LPGA Tour Storylines

- The LPGA Tour commemorated its 75th anniversary season throughout 2025, celebrating its legacy as the world's longest-running women's professional sports organization
 - The Tour saw 29 unique winners during the 2025 season, including 11 Rolex First-Time Winners
- The 2026 LPGA Tour schedule features 31 official events in 12 different countries and 13 different states in the U.S.
 - Two new events – the Fortinet Founders Cup and Aramco Championship – are featured in 2026
 - The Fortinet Founders Cup marks the return of the LPGA to California's Bay Area where players will compete at the exclusive Sharon Heights Golf & Country Club
 - The Aramco Championship, co-sanctioned with the LET and Golf Saudi, will take place at Shadow Creek Golf Course in Las Vegas, NV and features a \$4 million purse
 - Players will compete for the largest prize fund in history at more than \$132 million
 - This is more than a 90% increase from 2021
- The 2026 major championship venues include:
 - Memorial Park Golf Course in Houston, Texas (The Chevron Championship)
 - Riviera Country Club in Pacific Palisades, California (U.S. Women's Open)
 - Hazeltine National Golf Club in Chaska, Minnesota (KPMG Women's PGA Championship)
 - Evian Resort Golf Club in Evian-les-Bains, France (Amundi Evian Championship)
 - Royal Lytham & St Annes Golf Club in Lytham St Annes, England, United Kingdom (AIG Women's Open)
- The 20th edition of the Solheim Cup will return in 2026 in September at Bernardus Golf in the Netherlands
 - Three-time major champion and nine-time Solheim Cup veteran Anna Nordqvist will lead the European Solheim Cup Team.
 - Seven-time LPGA Tour winner and six-time Solheim Cup veteran Angela Stanford will captain the U.S. Solheim Cup Team.
 - The Americans will arrive in Europe as the defending champions following their victory at Robert Trent Jones Golf Club in the United States in 2024.
- The schedule includes the fourth annual Grant Thornton Invitational, where the 32-player field comprised of 16 LPGA Tour and 16 PGA TOUR professionals compete for a combined \$4 million purse (\$2 million each Tour)
 - Lauren Coughlin and Andrew Novak won the third edition of the event at Tiburon Golf Club in Naples, Fla.
- There are 28 LPGA Tour rookies in 2026, representing 14 different countries (including the U.S.)
- There are 15 players on the LPGA Tour that earned status for the 2026 season through competing on the Epson Tour in 2025
 - The top-10 finishers (Melanie Green, Yana Wilson, Gina Kim, Sophia Schubert, Erika Hara, Briana Chacon, Riley Smyth, Laetitia Beck, Minji Kang, Hailee Cooper, Anne Chen, Isabella Fierro, Michelle Zhang, Carla Tejedo Mullet, Laney Frye) will serve as 2026 Epson Tour Ambassadors
- The 2026 season features several season-long competitions including:

- [Race to the CME Globe](#): 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, where they will compete for an \$11 million purse
 - The \$4 million winner's check at the CME Group Tour Championship is the largest first-place prize in the history of women's golf
- [Aon Risk Reward Challenge](#): a unique, season-long competition that highlights the game's best players as they navigate some of the most strategically challenging holes
 - The player at the top of the Aon leaderboard at the end of the regular season will receive \$1 million
 - Jennifer Kupcho (2025), Jeeno Thitikul (2024), Angel Yin (2023), Minjee Lee (2022), Hannah Green (2021) and Carlota Ciganda (2019) are past winners of the Aon Risk Reward Challenge
- [Rolex Player of the Year](#): an award given to the player that has the most consistent and outstanding record during the current LPGA Tour season, with points awarded to Members finishing in the top 10 and ties in Official Tournaments
- [Vare Trophy](#): an award given to the player on Tour with the lowest overall scoring average based on the Member's total yearly score in Official Tournaments divided by the number of official rounds she played during a season
- [Louise Suggs Rolex Rookie of the Year](#): an award given to the first-year Member who scores the most points based on finish position at Official Tournaments during a season
- [Rolex Annika Major Award](#): an award given to the player who has the most outstanding record in all five major championships during the LPGA Tour season

2026 LPGA Tournament Recaps

Hilton Grand Vacations Tournament of Champions (Jan. 29 – Feb. 1)

Lake Nona Golf & Country Club in Lake Nona, Fla.

Purse: \$2.1 million

Winner: Nelly Korda (-13)

- Event was reduced the 54-hole event
- Earned her 16th LPGA Tour win
 - Her first since The ANNIKA driven by Gainbridge at Pelican in 2024 (1 year, 2 months, 15 days)
- The first time she won in a season debut since joining the Tour in 2017
- The first American to win the Hilton Grand Vacations Tournament of Champions since Danielle Kang in 2022
- The second event that both Nelly and Jessica Korda have won
 - Jessica won the Hilton Grand Vacations Tournament of Champions in 2021
 - Jessica also won the 2012 Women's Australian Open and Nelly won the event in 2019

Honda LPGA Thailand (Feb. 19-22)

Siam Country Club (Old Course) in Pattaya, Chonburi, Thailand

Purse: \$1.8 million

Winner: Jeeno Thitikul (-24)

- Earned her eighth LPGA Tour win and first in home country of Thailand
- Became the third player from Thailand to win this event joining Patty Tavatanakit (2024) and Ariya Jutanugarn (2021)
- This was her third win in five starts (2025 Buick LPGA Shanghai, 2025 CME Group Tour Championship)
- Marks her third consecutive season with a win

HSBC Women's World Championship (Feb. 26-Mar. 1)**Sentosa Golf Club (Tanjong) in Singapore****Purse: \$3 million****Winner: Hannah Green (-14)**

- Earned her seventh LPGA Tour win
- Became a two-time winner of the HSBC Women's World Championship
 - Won for the first time in 2024
- Became the first Australian to win on Tour this year
- Won with her husband as her caddie for the first time

Blue Bay LPGA (Mar. 5-8)**Jian Lake Blue Bay Golf Course in China****Purse: \$2.6 million****Winner: Mi Hyang Lee (-11)**

- Earned her third LPGA Tour win
 - First win since 2017 (3,143 days)
- Became the first player from the Republic of Korea to win this year
- Surpassed \$6M in career earnings with her win
- Two of her three wins have come in Asia
- Became the second player from the Republic of Korea to win the Blue Bay LPGA

Fortinet Founders Cup (Mar. 19-22)**Sharon Heights Golf & Country Club in Menlo Park, California****Purse: \$3 million****Winner: Hyo Joo Kim (-16)**

- Earned her eighth LPGA Tour win
- Became a two-time Fortinet Founders Cup champion
 - Won during her rookie season in 2015
- Won wire-to-wire
- Became the eighth player from the Republic of Korea to win eight or more times on the LPGA Tour

Ford Championship presented by Wild Horse Pass (Mar. 26-29)**Whirlwind Golf Club, Cattail Course in Phoenix, Arizona****Purse: \$2.25 million****Winner: Hyo Joo Kim (-28)**

- Earned her ninth LPGA Tour win
- Won in back-to-back weeks

- Defended her title at the Ford Championship
 - Won in 2025
- Set her 72-hole career scoring record at 260
- Became the first player from the Republic of Korea with multiple wins in one season since **Jin Young Ko** in 2023

Aramco Championship (Apr. 2-5)**Shadow Creek Golf Course in Las Vegas, Nevada****Purse: \$4 million****Winner: Lauren Coughlin (-7)**

- Earned her third career victory on Tour and first since 2024
- Her first wire-to-wire victory on the LPGA Tour
 - Fifth American over the last 10 seasons to win wire-to-wire
- Fourth player since 2000 to win at least three times in their 30s after claiming their first win in their 30s
- Set the 36, 54 and 72-hole tournament scoring records at Shadow Creek

JM Eagle LA Championship presented by Plastpro (Apr. 16-19)**El Caballero Country Club in Los Angeles, California****Purse: \$4.75 million****Winner: Hannah Green (-17)**

- Earned her second victory of the LPGA Tour season
- Green defeated Sei Young Kim and Jin Hee Im with a birdie on the first playoff hole
- Became the first three-time winner of this event
- Walter Wang (CEO of JM Eagle) raised the purse by \$1 million during the third round

The Chevron Championship (Apr. 23-26)**Memorial Park Golf Course in Houston, Texas****Purse: \$9 million****Champion: Nelly Korda (-18)**

- Earned her 17th LPGA Tour victory and third major championship
- The first player since **Amy Alcott** at The Chevron Championship in 1991 to win a major championship wire-to-wire after leading by multiple shots after each round
- Becomes the third player to start an LPGA Tour season with five or more consecutive starts of T2 or better including **Karrie Webb** in 2000 (5 starts) and **Annika Sorenstam** in 2001 (6 starts)
- Becomes the sixth American player to win a third major championship before the age of 28 joining **Patty Berg, Louise Suggs, Betsy Rawls, Mickey Wright, Kathy Whitworth** and **Amy Alcott**
- Becomes the eighth different player to win The Chevron Championship two or more times

Mexico Riviera Maya Open at Mayakoba (Apr. 30 – May 3)**El Camaleón Golf Course at Mayakoba in Playa del Carmen, Quintana Roo, Mexico****Purse: \$2.5 million****Winner: Nelly Korda (-17)**

- Earns her 18th LPGA Tour win

- Earns her 23rd point toward the LPGA Hall of Fame
- Claims her third win of the 2026 season
- Earned back-to-back victories
- Her third season on the LPGA Tour with three or more victories (2021, four wins; 2024, seven wins)
- Her first win since she returned to No. 1 in the Rolex Women's World Golf Rankings
- First American to win in Mexico since **Christina Kim** won at the 2014 Citibanmex Lorena Ochoa Invitational presented by Aeromexico and Delta

Mizuho Americas Open (May 7-10)**Mountain Ridge Country Club in West Caldwell, New Jersey****Purse: \$3.25 million****Winner: Jeeno Thitikul (-13)**

- Earned her ninth LPGA Tour win
- Defended her title at the Mizuho Americas Open
- Claimed her second win of the 2026 season
- Became the fourth multi-time winner this season
- Surpassed \$18 million in career official earnings

Kroger Queen City Championship presented by P&G (May 14-17)**Maketewah Country Club in Cincinnati, Ohio****Purse: \$2 million****Winner: Lottie Woad (-12)**

- Earned her second LPGA Tour win in her 19th start
 - Fastest to two wins since Sung Hyun Park in 2017 (16 starts)
- First European to win this season
- Seventh Englishwomen to win at least two times on the LPGA Tour
- Seventh unique winner of the 2026 season

ShopRite LPGA powered by Wakefern (May 29-31)**Seaview, A Dolce Hotel, Bay Course in Galloway, New Jersey****Purse: \$2 million****Winner: Celine Boutier (-9)**

- Won for the first time since the 2023 Maybank Championship (945 days)
- Overcame a four stroke deficit heading into the final round
- Became the sixth multi-time winner of this event
- Eighth unique winner of the 2026 season

U.S. Women's Open presented by Ally (June 4-7)**Riviera Country Club in Pacific Palisades, California****Purse: \$12.5 million****Champion: Nelly Korda (-8)**

- Won her fourth major championship victory and 19th LPGA Tour win
- Became the third player actively ranked No. 1 in the Rolex Women's World Golf Rankings to win the U.S. Women's Open (Annika Sorenstam, 2006; Inbee Park, 2013)

- Became the fourth player to win multiple major championships while actively ranked World No. 1 (Inbee Park, 3; Yani Tseng, 2; Lorena Ochoa, 2)
- Became the first player to win first 2 majors of season since 2013 (Inbee Park)
- Became the first American to win first 2 majors of season since 1986 (Pat Bradley)
- Became the first player to win Chevron and U.S. Women's Open in same season since 2013 (Inbee Park)
- Became the first American to win Chevron and U.S. Women's Open in same season since 1990 (Betsy King)
- Became the youngest American player to win 4 major championships since Mickey Wright in 1960
- Became the first American to win the U.S. Women's Open since Allisen Corpuz in 2023

Dow Championship (Jun 11-14)

Midland Country Club in Midland, Michigan

Purse: \$3.3 million

Winners: Gina Kim and Yana Wilson (-17)

- Both Kim and Wilson became Rolex First Time Winners and the first of 2026
- Wilson became the youngest player to win on Tour since **Chanettee Wannasaen** at the 2023 Standard Portland Classic
- Wilson became the first rookie winner of the 2026 LPGA Tour season
- The latest the Tour had gone without a Rolex First Time Winner since **Danielle Kang** in July 2017

Meijer LPGA Classic for Simply Give (June 18-21)

Blythefield Country Club in Belmont, Michigan

Purse: \$3.25 million

Winner: Miyu Yamashita (-17)

- Defeated Lottie Woad on the first playoff hole
- Earned her third career victory
 - Is the sixth player from Japan to win at least three times on the LPGA Tour
 - Is the fastest Japanese player to three wins, 37 starts
 - **Nasa Hataoka** previously held that mark with three wins in 47 starts
- Earned her sixth top 10 of the season
 - Has 18 top 10s in her first two seasons so far, 37 starts
 - Became the seventh fastest player to 18 top 10s since 2000 passing **Lorena Ochoa**
- Shot 8-under in the final round to put herself in contention

KPMG Women's PGA Championship (June 25-28)

Hazeltine National Golf Club in Chaska, Minnesota

Purse: \$13 million

Champion: Haeran Ryu (-13)

- Won her first major championship
- Defeated **Ina Yoon** by two shots
- Is the 21st player from the Republic of Korea to win a major championship
- Has a win in each of her first four seasons on the LPGA Tour

- Is the first player since **Jin Young Ko** (2017-2020) to win at least once in their first four seasons on the LPGA Tour
- Is the third player from the Republic of Korea to win on Tour this season, joining **Mi Hyang Lee** (Blue Bay LPGA) and **Hyo Joo Kim** (Fortinet Founders Cup, Ford Championship)
- Is the sixth different player from the Republic of Korea to win this event since 2015

The Amundi Evian Championship (July 9-12)

Evian Resort Golf Club in Evian-les-Bains, France

Purse: \$9.1 million

Champion: Haeran Ryu (-19)

- Defeated **Brooke Henderson** on the first playoff hole
- Won her second major championship this season and of her career
 - Joined **Nelly Korda** as the only other major champion this season
- Earned her fifth career victory
- Is the third player from the Republic of Korea to win at least two major championships in a single season since The Amundi Evian Championship was elevated to a major championship in 2013
- Is the first player from the Republic of Korea to win two major championships in a single season since **Jin Young Ko** in 2019
- Is the eighth player from Korea to win at least two major championships

ISPS HANDA Women's Scottish Open (July 23-26)

Dundonald Links in Gaires, North Ayrshire, Scotland

Purse: \$2 million

Winner:

AIG Women's Open (July 30-Aug. 2)

Royal Lytham & St Annes Golf Club in Lytham St Annes, Lancashire, England

Purse: \$9.75 million

Champion:

The Standard Portland Classic (Aug. 13-16)

Columbia Edgewater Country Club in Portland, Oregon

Purse: \$2 million

Winner:

CPKC Women's Open (Aug. 20-23)

Royal Mayfair Golf Club in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

Purse: \$2.75 million

Winner:

FM Championship (Aug. 27-30)

TPC Boston in Norton, Massachusetts

Purse: \$4.4 million

Winner:

Solheim Cup (Sept. 11-13)

Bernardus Golf in Den Bosch, Cromvoirt, Netherlands

Winning Team:

Walmart NW Arkansas Championship presented by P&G (Sept. 25-27)

Pinnacle Country Club in Rogers, Arkansas

Purse: \$3 million

Winner:

LOTTE Championship presented by Hoakalei (Oct. 1-4)

Hoakalei Country Club in Ewa Beach, Oahu, Hawaii

Purse: \$3 million

Winner:

Buick LPGA Shanghai (Oct. 15-18)

TBC

Purse: \$3.2 million

Winner:

BMW Ladies Championship (Oct. 22-25)

Pine Beach Golf Links in Haenam-gun, Jeonllanam-do, Republic of Korea

Purse: \$2.35 million

Winner:

Maybank Championship (Oct. 29-Nov. 1)

Kuala Lumpur Golf & Country Club in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Purse: \$3 million

Winner:

TOTO Japan Classic (Nov. 5-8)

Taiheiyo Club Minori Course in Omitama, Ibaraki, Japan

Purse: \$2.1 million

Winner:

The ANNIKA driven by Gainbridge at Pelican (Nov. 12-15)

Pelican Golf Club in Belleair, Florida

Purse: \$3.25 million

Winner:

CME Group Tour Championship (Nov. 19-22)

Tiburon Golf Course, Gold Course in Naples, Florida

Purse: \$11 million

Winner:

Grant Thornton Invitational (Dec. 11-13)

Tiburon Golf Course, Gold Course in Naples, Florida

Purse: \$4.1 million (\$2.05 million each)

Winning Duo:

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- Mar. 5-7 – Atlantic Beach Classic presented by Access Golf: **Isabella Fierro (-13)**
- Mar. 13-15 – IOA Golf Classic: **Jeongeun Lee6 (-13)**
- Mar. 20-22 – Orlando Health Championship: **Maddie McCrory (-12)**
- Apr. 24-26 – IOA Championship presented by Morongo Casino Resort and Spa: **Amari Avery (-11)**
- Apr. 30-May 3 – Carlisle Arizona Women's Golf Classic: **Megan Schofill (-11)**
- May 7-10 – Reliance Matrix Championship presented by Epson: **Cholcheva Wongras (-26)**
- May 14-16 – Copper Rock Championship: **Fiona Xu (-13)**
- Jun. 12-14 – FireKeepers Casino Hotel Championship: **Lauryn Nguyen (-12)**
- Jun. 19-21 – Great Lakes Championship at the Highlands: **Lauren Rlivares (-12)**
- Jun. 26-28 – Island Resort Championship presented by Delta County Chamber: **Kaleiya Romero (-16)**
- Jul. 10-12 – Four Winds Invitational: **Haylee Harford Sanchez (-15)**
- Jul. 17-19 – Greater Toledo Classic: **Annabelle Pancake (-9)**
- Jul. 23-26 – Hartford HealthCare Women's Championship presented by Munich Re:
- Aug. 6-8 – Smoky Mountain Championship presented by Food City:
- Aug. 21-23 – Wildhorse Ladies Golf Classic:
- Aug. 28-30 – Dream First Bank Charity Classic:
- Sept. 11-13 – Guardian Championship:
- Sept. 18-20 – Murphy USA El Dorado Shootout:
- Oct. 1-4 – Epson Tour Championship at Indian Wells:

LPGA Tour Players on Other Tours

Feb. 14 – **Charley Hull** won the PIF Saudi Ladies International on the Ladies European Tour for her fifth win on the LET

Mar 12 – **Hannah Green** won the Women's Australian Open in her home country for her fourth win on the Ladies European Tour

March 19 – **Hannah Green** won the Australian WPGA Championship on the LET to win in back-to-back weeks and her fifth LET victory

May 10 – **Hyo Joo Kim** won the NH Investment & Securities Ladies Championship on the KLPGA for her 15th KLPGA win and first since 2021

May 28 – **Jaravee Boonchant** won the E1 Charity Open on the KLPGA for her first win on that tour. Became the first Thai winner in KLPGA history

May 30 – **Helen Briem** won the Jabra Ladies Open de France on the Ladies European Tour for her second career victory on the LET and first since 2024

July 5 – **Hyo Joo Kim** won the Lotte Open on the KLPGA for her 16th KLPGA victory and second of 2026

July 5 – **Carolina Chacarra** won the Hulencourt Women's Open on the Ladies European Tour for her first career victory on the LET

2026 LPGA Tour Statistics

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2026 Statistical Leaders:

Official Money: Nelly Korda, \$5,680,924

Scoring Average: Nelly Korda, 68.68

Strokes Gained Total: Nelly Korda, 3.86

Hole-in-Ones: 13 (Saki Baba, Minami Katsu, Ruoning Yin, Jenny Bae, Nasa Hataoka, Yu Liu, Xiyu “Janet” Lin, Melanie Green, Jodi Ewart Shadoff, Julia Lopez Ramirez, Minji Kang, Shannon Tan, Amanda Doherty, Brooke Henderson)

Greens in Regulation: Haeran Ryu, 80.37%

Scrambling Percentage: Nelly Korda, 72.41%

Average Driving Distance: Julia Lopez Ramirez, 290.57 yards

2026 Award Standings:

<u>Rolex Player of the Year</u>		
1	Nelly Korda	225
2	Haeran Ryu	152
3	Hyo Joo Kim	79

<u>Louise Suggs Rolex Rookie of the Year</u>		
1	Erika Hara	366
2	Youmin Hwang	314
3	Nastasia Nadaud	224

<u>#AonRiskReward Challenge</u>		
1	Ryann O’Toole	-1.188
2	Gaby Lopez	-0.909
3	Jeeno Thitikul	-0.808

<u>Vare Trophy</u>		
1	Nelly Korda	68.68
2	Haeran Ryu	69.40
3	Hyo Joo Kim	69.77

<u>Race to the CME Globe</u>		
1	Nelly Korda	3,412.625
2	Haeran Ryu	2,252.798
3	Hyo Joo Kim	1,735.419

2026 LPGA Tour Winner Statistics:

2026 Wins by Country (18 tournaments)

- 7 – United States of America (Lauren Coughlin, Gina Kim, Nelly Korda (4), Yana Wilson)
- 5 – Republic of Korea (Mi Hyang Lee, Hyo Joo Kim (2), Haeran Ryu (2))
- 2 – Australia (Hannah Green)
- 1 – England (Lottie Woad)
- 1 – France (Celine Boutier)
- 1 – Japan (Miyu Yamashita)
- 1 – Thailand (Jeeno Thitikul)

2026 Wins by Player (18 tournaments)

- 4 – Nelly Korda (Hilton Grand Vacations Tournament of Champions, **The Chevron Championship**, Riviera Maya Open at Mayakoba, **U.S. Women's Open**)
- 2 – Hyo Joo Kim (Fortinet Founders Cup and Ford Championship presented by Wild Horse Pass)
- 2 – Hannah Green (HSBC Women's World Championship and JM Eagle LA Championship presented by Plastpro)
- 2 – Haeran Ryu (**KPMG Women's PGA Championship**, **The Amundi Evian Championship**)
- 2 – Jeeno Thitikul (Mizuho Americas Open, Honda LPGA Thailand)
- 1 – Lauren Coughlin (Aramco Championship)
- 1 – Mi Hyang Lee (Blue Bay LPGA)
- 1 – Lottie Woad (Kroger Queen City Championship presented by P&G)
- 1 – Celine Boutier (ShopRite LPGA powered by Wakefern)
- 1 – Gina Kim (Dow Championship)
- 1 – Yana Wilson (Dow Championship)
- 1 – Miyu Yamashita (Meijer LPGA Classic for Simply Give)

Average Age of 2026 Winners: 26.842

Youngest Winner: Yana Wilson (19 years, 9 months, 24 days)

Oldest Winner: Lauren Coughlin (33 years, 6 months, 9 days)