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:

Aramco Championship (Apr. 2-5)

Shadow Creek Golf Course in Las Vegas, Nevada
Purse: $4 million
Winner:

JM Eagle LA Championship presented by Plastpro (Apr. 16-19)
El Caballero Country Club in Los Angeles, California
Purse: $3.75 million
Winner:

The Chevron Championship (Apr. 23-26)
Memorial Park Golf Course in Houston, Texas
Purse: $8 million
Champion:

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:

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

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

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

U.S. Women's Open presented by Ally (June 4-7)
Riviera Country Club in Pacific Palisades, California
Purse: $12 million
Champion:

Dow Championship (Jun 11-14)
Midland Country Club in Midland, Michigan
Purse: $3.3 million
Winners:

Meijer LPGA Classic for Simply Give (June 18-21)
Blythefield Country Club in Belmont, Michigan

Purse: $3.25 million
Winner:

KPMG Women's PGA Championship (June 25-28)
Hazeltine National Golf Club in Chaska, Minnesota
Purse: $12 million
Champion:

The Amundi Evian Championship (July 9-12)
Evian Resort Golf Club in Evian-les-Bains, France
Purse: $8 million
Champion:

ISPS HANDA Women's Scottish Open (July 23-26)
Dundonald Links in Gailes, 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 Thorton 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:

- Mar. 20-22 – Orlando Health Championship:
- Apr. 24-26 – IOA Championship presented by Morongo Casino Resort and Spa:
- Apr. 30-May 3 – Carlisle Arizona Women's Golf Classic:
- May 7-10 – Reliance Matrix Championship presented by Epson:
- May 14-16 – Copper Rock Championship:
- Jun. 12-14 – FireKeepers Casino Hotel Championship:
- Jun. 19-21 – Great Lakes Championship at the Highlands:
- Jun. 26-28 – Island Resort Championship presented by Delta County Chamber:
- Jul. 10-12 – Four Winds Invitational:
- Jul. 17-19 – Greater Toledo Classic:
- 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

2026 LPGA Tour Statistics

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2026 Statistical Leaders:

Official Money: Hyo Joo Kim, $602,140
Scoring Average: Hannah Green, 67.88
Strokes Gained Total: Nelly Korda, 4.58
Hole-in-Ones: 1
Greens in Regulation: Nelly Korda, 82.54%
Scrambling Percentage: Madelene Sagstrom, 77.42%
Average Driving Distance: Riley Smyth, 301.00

2026 Award Standings:

Rolex Player of the Year		
1	Nelly Korda	42
2	Hyo Joo Kim	39
3	Hannah Green	34
3	Jeeno Thitikul	34

Louise Suggs Rolex Rookie of the Year		
1	Youmin Hwang	133
2	Erika Hara	82
3	Mimi Rhodes	67

#AonRiskReward Challenge		
1	Hannah Green	-1.500
2	Muni He	-1.250
2	Erika Hara	-1.250

Vare Trophy		
1	Hannah Green	67.88
2	Nelly Korda	68.00
3	Hyo Joo Kim	68.50

Race to the CME Globe		
1	Nelly Korda	820
2	Hyo Joo Kim	768
3	Jeeno Thitikul	671

2026 LPGA Tour Winner Statistics:
2026 Wins by Country (5 tournaments)
1 – United States of America – Nelly Korda
1 – Thailand – Jeeno Thitikul
1 – Australia – Hannah Green
2 – Republic of Korea – Mi Hyang Lee, Hyo Joo Kim

2026 Wins by Player (5 tournaments)
1 – Nelly Korda (Hilton Grand Vacations Tournament of Champions
1 – Jeeno Thitikul (Honda LPGA Thailand)
1 – Hannah Green (HSBC Women's World Championship)
1 – Mi Hyang Lee (Blue Bay LPGA)
1 – Hyo Joo Kim (Fortinet Founders Cup)

2026 Rolex First-Time Winners

Average Age of 2026 Winners: 28.200
Youngest Winner: Jeeno Thitikul (23 years, 0 months, 2 days)
Oldest Winner: Mi Hyang Lee (32 years, 11 months, 6 days)