2026 U.S. Women's Open presented by Ally

The Riviera Country Club | Pacific Palisades, Calif. | June 1-7, 2026

Second-Round Notes

June 5, 2026

LPGA Media Contact: Carly Lyvers, +1 (386) 214-9105
Course Setup: 35-36—71, 6,699 yards
Weather: Friday Forecast
Race to CME Globe Points: 650 (winner)
Purse: $12.5 million
TV/Streaming Times: U.S. Women's Open presented by Ally Viewing Schedule

QUICK LINKS
U.S. Women's Open Virtual Media Hub
Interview Transcripts
LPGA Tour Online Media Center (OMC): Tournament Website

SOCIAL MEDIA
LPGA Tour: @LPGA, @LPGAMedia (X), @lpga_tour (Instagram, TikTok)
Championship: @uswomensopen (X, Instagram)
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LEADERBOARD

	Player	To par	Score
T1	Alison Lee	-4	70-68 – 138
T1	Ruoning Yin	-4	69-69 – 138
T3	Six players	-3	139

COMPETITION HIGHLIGHTS

- 68 players made the cut at +4 or better
  - American **Lauren Coughlin** (T9) is making her first cut at the U.S. Women's Open in her third appearance at the event at 33 years old
  - LPGA Mom **Xiyu Janet Lin** (T17) made the cut at her first event back since having her son
  - The last player to get into the field, **Karis Davidson** sits at T17
  - Defending champion **Maja Stark** sits at T22
  - **Melanie Green** (T22) is the only 2026 LPGA Tour rookie to make the cut
  - The Romero sisters made the cut; **Kiara** (T22) and **Kaleiya** (T45)
  - Five amateurs **Kiara Romero** (T22)**, Aphrodite Deng** (T22)**, Maria Jose Marin** (T22)**, Farah O'Keefe** (T45)**,** and **Asterisk Talley** (T55) made the cut
    - Each amateur that made the cut will receive one point in the LPGA Elite Amateur Pathway (LEAP)
    - With a finish in the top 25 and ties, each player could earn an additional LEAP point
  - Notables to miss the cut include:
    - T69: **Lydia Ko**, LPGA Hall of Fame member

        - T69: **Megha Ganne**, 2025 U.S. Women's Amateur champion in her first professional start
        - Past champions: **Jeongeun Lee6** (T81), **Michelle Wie West** (T92), **Sung Hyun Park** (T103), **Brittany Lang** (T113), **Yuka Saso** (T113)
        - T130: **Madelene Sagstrom**, playing almost seven months pregnant
        - 156th: **Hailee Cooper**, who finished T7 in 2025 in her second start on the LPGA Tour
- T1: **Alison Lee** and **Ruoning Yin** are in the lead at four-under par respectively following Friday
    - Two of three players to record two under par rounds through two rounds of the U.S. Women's Open, joining **Casandra Alexander** (70-70)
    - Lee recorded a three-under 68 on Friday
        - This is her first post-round lead in a major championship
        - Her previous best finish after two rounds at the U.S. Women's Open was T18 in 2021
        - Has not won on the LPGA Tour; her best finish is runner-up, recorded four times
            - Since 2020, there are three players that earned their first LPGA Tour win at the U.S. Women's Open: Allisen Corpuz (2023), Yuka Saso (2021) and A Lim Kim (2020)
    - Yin shot a two-under 69 in R2
        - Recorded one of three bogey-free rounds through the first two rounds of the 2026 U.S. Women's Open presented by Ally (Minjee Lee, R1; Casandra Alexander, R2)
        - Has shot even par or better in each of her last five rounds at the U.S. Women's Open
        - Has won one major championship previously, the KPMG Women's PGA Championship in 2023
            - One of two players from the People's Republic of China to win a major championship
    - Rolex Rankings No. 1 Nelly Korda shot the best round amongst the field (67) through two rounds
        - Sixth time she has shot the outright low round of the day at a major championship
        - Recorded a 32 on her front nine in R2; her second-lowest 9-hole score of her U.S. Women's Open career

A LOOK AT THE LEADERS

CATEGORY	Alison Lee	Ruoning Yin
2026 Race to CME Globe Rank	51	5
2026 LPGA Tour Wins	0	0
2026 LPGA Tour Top 10s	4	4
2026 Official Season Earnings	$247K	$1.3M
Career LPGA Tour Wins	0	5
Career Official LPGA Tour Top 10s	26	24
Career Official Money	$4.6M	$8.7M

ABOUT THE LEADERS

Rolex Rankings No. 145 Alison Lee

- Eleventh start at U.S. Women's Open presented by Ally
    - Best finish is T16 in 2021

    - Did not play in 2025
    - Missed the cut in 2016 and 2017
- 2026: Four cuts made in five starts with a top-3 finish
    - Finished T3 at the Mizuho Americas Open
    - Missed the cut at the first major championship of the year, The Chevron Championship
- Career: 26 top-10 finishes, $4.6 million in official career earnings
    - Two-time U.S. Solheim Cup team member (2015, 2024)
    - Played collegiately at the University of California, Los Angeles

Rolex Rankings No. 4 Ruoning Yin

- Fifth start at U.S. Women's Open presented by Ally
    - Best finish is T4 in 2025
    - Has never missed the cut
- 2026: Ten cuts made in 11 starts with four top-10 finishes
    - Her last three finishes coming into this event included two runner-up finishes
    - Missed the cut at the JM Eagle LA Championship presented by Plastpro
- Career: Five wins, one major championship, 24 top-10 finishes, $8.7 million in official career earnings
    - Won the KPMG Women's PGA Championship in 2023
    - Represented the People's Republic of China at the 2024 Paris Olympics
    - Two-time participant at the Hanwha LIFEPLUS International Crown (2023, 2025)

CHAMPIONSHIP SCORING RECORDS (OVERALL):
18 holes: 63, Helen Alfredsson (1994, R1)
36 holes: 132, Helen Alfredsson (1994)
54 holes: 200, Minjee Lee (2022)
72 holes: 271, Minjee Lee (2022)

QUOTABLES
Alison Lee (T1, -4) on what motivates her to keep competing and if her motivation has changed over time
"Realistically, I thought a few years ago when I became a mom, I wouldn't want to come back and play. I thought it would be too difficult. I would say, just before having Levi, I played amazing. I had one of the best runs I've had in a really long time. I was really close to making the Olympics, playing on the Solheim Cup team. I think that really gave me that spark again, and that was kind of -- having that success really showed me like, hey, I can still have a chance to win out here because I still have yet to win on the LPGA Tour. That's been my biggest goal since turning pro. Like I feel like I had so much success in junior golf. I had a lot of success in college golf. Then when I came on Tour, I came close so many times, and I still haven't been able to do that. So I told myself, okay, I'm going to have Levi. I'm just going to do everything I can, just tell myself absolutely no regrets looking back and just try really hard for this next probably year to maybe two years to just play the best golf I can because realistically I feel like I've thought about my future a lot, and moving forward I do want more kids. I want a bigger family. I think, if I were to have another baby, I think it would be ten times more difficult to try and come back and play. So I've really told myself like, hey, this next year, 2026-2027, I'm just going to do everything I can to possibly -- I possibly can to play the best golf I can and say that I have no regrets. So that's kind of like a comforting feeling but also putting a little bit of pressure on myself. But I feel like I'm in a good head space now because I've truly accepted that."

Ruoning Yin (T1, -4) on how winning KPMG Women's PGA Championship changed her life
"Quite a bit. Quite a bit. Because I think winning on the LPGA Tour is difficult, and winning a major is even more difficult. Winning at Baltusrol definitely boosted my confidence, and I just want to get another one."

In Gee Chun (T3, -3) on what motivates her to chase championships
"I think I never expect to come to the USA for LPGA, but after I won in 2015, my life was changed, everything. Now I'm here, and I have new friends out here. Sometimes it's hard to be here and be alone because my family and friends are still in Korea, but I already told you like after I work with my new swing and then I got the confidence. That's a good motivation to keep playing out here. I feel never have like I'm too old. So I think I'm in a good mood, and I trust my team and they help me, and my fans still cheering me. Everything just make me more willing to keep playing out here."

Michelle Wie West (T92, +7) on what the moment was like with her daughter on the final green
"Yeah, it was great to see her. As soon as I hugged her, she was like, can I go to daycare? I'm glad I did all this for her (laughter). No, it's fun to see your kids grow up and really start to have their own passions and everything. The reason why she wanted to go up to daycare was because she wanted to go play with Brittany Lang's kid. That's also just so crazy to know that I've known Brittany Lang since I was 13, and now our kids are playing together and are best friends. It's awesome. It's fun to see the time go by, and I feel blessed."

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In Gee Chun Chasing Second U.S. Women's Open Victory at Riviera
Nelly Korda Second Round Interview
Ruoning Yin Second Round Interview
Michelle Wie West Second Round Interview
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Jennifer Kupcho Second Round Interview

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Michelle Wie West is walking away from Riv with what matters most 🥹
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Full range warm up with the Smiling Cinderella. What do you think her score will be today? 👑 👀
Girlhood 👯 ✨
Dreamy details from the range at Riv 💭 ✨