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Wednesday Pre-Tournament Notes

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Olympic Golf Mixed-Team Event Approved by International Olympic Committee Executive Board

The International Golf Federation (IGF) is pleased to confirm the International Olympic Committee (IOC) Executive Board approved the addition of an Olympic Golf Mixed-Team Event, which will debut at the Olympic Games Los Angeles 2028 (LA28) and complement the Men's Individual Olympic Golf Competition and the Women's Individual Olympic Golf Competition. All three Olympic Golf events will be contested at The Riviera Country Club at the LA28 Games.

Kristy McPherson Named Assistant Captain for 2026 U.S. Solheim Cup Team

U.S. Solheim Cup Captain Angela Stanford has selected **Kristy McPherson** as her first assistant captain for the 2026 U.S. Team. McPherson will work alongside Stanford in leading a team of the top 12 American female golfers at the Solheim Cup, being held at Bernardus Golf in the Netherlands, from Sept. 11-13, 2026.

PRE-TOURNAMENT AVAILABILITY HIGHLIGHTS

Rolex Rankings No. 1 Nelly Korda

Video | Transcript

Korda on how she will prepare for the long stretch of events coming up

"Yeah, we're getting kind of into the busy part of the year where there is lots of travel and amazing golf, lots of big tournaments coming up, too. Very excited for that. This is my favorite part of the year where you're playing in a lot of major championships, and the first one being next week back in Houston. It has a very special place in my heart from last year, so very excited to go back. Yeah, I mean, mentally and physically that will probably be the busiest time of year for every girl. For me, making sure my body and my mind is 100% is probably going to be the most important."

Rolex Rankings No. 4 Lilia Vu

Video | Transcript

Vu on having this event this week for the community that was impacted by the fires

"Yeah, it means a lot. It was quite devastating. Not being too far from the fires, I know a lot of the people reached out to me, but luckily we're just far enough south. To see all the homes and the animals that couldn't get out is really depressing and sad, but LA is resilient and I think having this tournament here is going to bring everyone out here together and just kind of heal together."

Rolex Rankings No. 5 Hannah Green

Video | Transcript

Green on her decision to donate $500 towards LA fire relief for every birdie she makes this week

"When it was going on I obviously saw Max Homa was doing some donations, and it was something that I thought about, but then I just felt like it wasn't right to do it at the time in Florida not being in LA. So yeah, came to the media day a couple weeks ago and saw Mo Martin and heard her stories about how it personally affected her parents and I think her sister, so I just felt like, oh, like I really want to do something. Even hearing from Walter and Shirley and how much they've donated… Yeah, just trying to do something and bring some awareness because there's people that are not going to be in their own house for years probably. So even though the fires have stopped, there's still a lot of pain that people are suffering. Hopefully just bring some awareness gives me some more motivation throughout the week to make some more birdies, and hopefully other people can jump on board, as well."

Rolex Rankings No. 8 Angel Yin

Video | Transcript

Yin on the community support and tournament support after the L.A. fires

"It's just amazing how our community is always coming together and it's never a question. Just shows how strong our community is as a community, and we really embody that we're a community… everybody just came together no matter where they were from. It's just really special, and so I'm happy we're also trying to help out with this tournament, especially to fund everyone who lost a lot of stuff."

Rolex Rankings No. 370 Sophia Popov

Video | Transcript

Popov on how she pleaded her case to receive a sponsor invitation this week

"I faced a lot of struggles and I did have a couple good weeks, but I know I had a lot of unfinished business. I think I stated that in my letter. I said I feel like I have a lot of good golf left and I want to show female athletes, mom out there that it can be done. You can play great golf. I know it. I've seen it in Stacy and a lot of other moms that have played great golf. I just want to showcase that. It's important to me. Obviously kind of the hometown, you know being going to USC and wanting to be back because it is definitely my favorite event of the year and I'd be super bummed if I miss out on it. So I think those two cases were the biggest ones."

Sponsor Invitation Asterisk Talley

Video | Transcript

Talley on her runner-up finish and experience at the Augusta National Women's Amateur

"The Women's Am is always the best week in women's amateur golf. It's the best preparation I think for a pro event, especially with the course and the patrons. The courses are always tough and it's a great test of golf. That's what really prepares you for tournaments like this and getting to feel the pressure with such a strong field and getting to play with such great players. I think that's what prepares you for tournaments like this with even better players and more pressure and patrons and things like that."

Sponsor Invitation Caroline Canales

Video | Transcript

Canales on her decision to turn professional ahead of the JM Eagle Championship

"That's a great question. I definitely wanted to play ANWA, so I played the first three Epson Tour events of the season as an amateur so that I could experience ANWA. I'm so glad that I made that choice because it was just such a memorable week. I'm really blessed to have received this sponsor's exemption, and it just worked out perfectly that I could finish up ANWA and turn pro right after it finished and come play here."

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We put Andrea Lee to the test today and found out her favorite Korean comfort food 🍽
LA-Native Angel Yin had her ✨morning show moment✨ today at the @kcalnews station
Some notable players to keep an eye on this week 👀
Had to bring back the cup putt challenge presented by SHI and we've got a few more winners this time around
Just one of Hannah Green's amazing shots in her victory JM Eagle LA Championship last year #LPGALookback
Freezing Brooke Henderson's swing 📸🎲
We're eating good out here in Cali 🍔🌴
There's nothing quite like the LA community and SoCal-native Angel Yin couldn't be prouder of her home state
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