



Performance Insights

Round 1 Recap: Maybank Championship

Top Notes to Know From Round 1:

- *Hye-Jin Choi: 28 top 10 finishes since beginning of 2022; most of any player without a win
- *Hye-Jin Choi: 24 total putts in round 1; made over 140 feet of putts (5 of 10+ feet)
- *Gemma Dryburgh: 18/18 GIR today; +1.54 strokes gained approach per round over last 2 starts
- *Benedetta Moresco: Hit 15 of 18 approach shots inside of 20 feet in round 1 (17/18 GIR)
- *Miyu Yamashita: 3 putts made of 10+ feet; leads LPGA Tour in that category this season (173)

*Will this be the week Hye-Jin Choi finally breaks through on the LPGA Tour? Since her rookie season in 2022, her 28 top 10 finishes are tied for the fourth most of any player and are the most of any player without a victory:

Most Top 10 Finishes LPGA Tour – Since 2022

	Top 10s	Wins
Jeeno Thitikul	53	6
Nelly Korda	36	8
Celine Boutier	29	4
Hye-Jin Choi	28	0
Lydia Ko	28	8

*Hye-Jin Choi was excellent on the greens on Thursday, needing just 24 putts to complete her round while sinking over 140 feet of putts. Her putter has been one of her biggest strengths this season, ranking 12th on the LPGA Tour in strokes gained:

Hye-Jin Choi Putting Maybank Championship – Round 1

Total Putts	24
Feet of Putts Made	141'
Putts Made of 10+ Feet	5
Longest Putt Made	45'

*Ranks 12th in strokes gained putting this season



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*Benedetta Moresco approach play was otherworldly on Thursday, hitting 17 of 18 greens in regulation and sticking 15 of her 18 approaches inside of 20 feet. For the day, her average proximity on all approach shots was a miniscule 15' 6".

Benedetta Moresco Approach Play Maybank Championship – Round 1

Greens in Regulation	17/18
Proximity to the Hole	15' 6"
Approaches Inside of 20'	15
Proximity from 100-125 yards	10' 8"

*Gemma Dryburgh was excellent on approach in round 1, hitting all 18 greens in regulation on her way to an opening round 65 in Malaysia. It's an area of her game that has been trending in a positive direction over her last 3 starts (excludes Walmart NW Arkansas), leading the field in strokes gained in her last start at the BMW Ladies Championship:

Gemma Dryburgh SG Approach per Round LPGA Tour – Last 3 Starts

	SG Approach	Finish
Kroger Queen City Championship	-1.15	CUT
Buick LPGA Shanghai	+1.26	T-47
BMW Ladies Championship	+1.82*	T-19

*Led the field

*Miyu Yamashita sank 3 more putts of 10+ feet in the opening round in Malaysia, bringing her season total to 173. That's 10 more than any other player on the LPGA Tour this season:

Most Putts Made of 10+ Feet LPGA Tour – This Season

Miyu Yamashita	173
Minjee Lee	163
Jin Hee Im	153
Hye-Jin Choi	144
Minami Katsu	140

*Includes Maybank round 1