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2025 ShopRite LPGA Classic presented by Acer

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KPMG Insight of the Week

*Top 10 finishers at the ShopRite LPGA Classic last season gained nearly 50% of their total strokes with their approach play. That was significantly higher than the same rate for all other tournaments on the LPGA schedule in 2024:

Strokes Gained Approach Percentage of Total Top 10 Finishers - 2024 ShopRite LPGA Classic

ShopRite Classic	49.2%
All Other Events	41.2%

Maja Stark

*In her U.S. Women's Open victory, Maja Stark ranked in the top-15 among players who made the cut in all four primary strokes gained statistics. She was in the top-five in both off the tee and putting.

Maja Stark

Strokes Gained Ranks – U.S. Women's Open

	Per Round	LPGA Rank
Off the Tee	+1.12	5th
Approach	+1.08	13th
Around Green	+0.10	15th
Putting	+1.78	5th

*Stark putted considerably better on the lightning-fast surfaces at Erin Hills than she had this season on the LPGA Tour entering last week.

Maja Stark

Putting Per Round This Season

	Entering USWO	U.S. Women's Open
Strokes gained putting	+0.00	+1.78
1-putts per round	5.8	6.3
Putts per GIR	1.86	1.76



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Nelly Korda

*No player gained more strokes on the field tee-to-green last week at the U.S. Women's Open than Nelly Korda did. But she ranked 40th among players to make the cut when it came to strokes gained putting, losing about one-third of a stroke per round.

Nelly Korda

Strokes Gained – U.S. Women's Open

	Per Round	Field Rank*
Tee to Green	+3.88	1st
Putting	-0.32	40th

*Among players to make cut

*Already firmly entrenched as the best player in the world, Nelly Korda is somehow still finding ways to get better. She is gaining over three-quarters of a stroke per round with her approach play this season, the third consecutive season she has improved in that area:

Nelly Korda SG Approach

LPGA Tour – Last 3 Seasons

	SG Approach	Rank
2023	+0.20	58th
2024	+0.59	22nd
2025	+0.88	11th

*Nelly Korda gained over 15 strokes from tee to green last week at Erin Hills, her most in a single event since the beginning of 2022:

Nelly Korda

Most SG Tee to Green in a Single Event – Since 2022

	SG Tee to Green	Finish
2025 U.S. Women's Open	+15.5	T-2
2023 AIG Women's Open	+11.9	T-11
2024 Chevron Championship	+11.6	Won
2024 LPGA Drive On	+11.5	Won
2022 US Women's Open	+11.2	T-8



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Jeeno Thitikul

*Jeeno Thitikul was excellent from tee to green at this event last season, averaging over 3 strokes gained per round. Her putting let her down, however, losing strokes to the field and costing her a chance at a higher finish:

Jeeno Thitikul Strokes Gained 2024 ShopRite LPGA Classic

	SG	Rank*
Tee to Green	+3.12	2nd
Putting	-0.06	48th

*Among players to make the cut

*Over the last 3 LPGA seasons, Jeeno leads all players in scoring and strokes gained total.

Jeeno Thitikul LPGA Tour Ranks – Last 3 Seasons

		LPGA Rank
Scoring average	69.40	1st
SG Total	+2.25	1st
Greens in regulation	74.9%	4th
SG Putting	+1.07	6th

*Thitikul had a rare missed cut last week at the U.S. Women's Open. Each of the last three times she has missed a cut on the LPGA Tour, she has finished in the top-20 her following start:

Jeeno Thitikul Last 3 Starts Following Missed Cut

	Missed cut	Next start	Finish
2023	U.S. Women's Open	Amundi Evian Champ.	T-9
2024	Founders Cup	Mizuho Americas	T-7
2024	Amundi Evian Champ.	AIG Women's Open	T-17



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Jin Young Ko

*Jin Young Ko has found a new strength in 2025 – hitting greens after missing the fairway. Last season, she ranked 85th on the LPGA Tour in GIR percentage after a missed fairway. Now, she's tied for third at 64.2%.

Jin Young Ko

GIR After Missed Fairway – Since 2022

	Percentage	LPGA Rank
2022	50.3%	85th
2023	50.7%	64th
2024	48.8%	85th
2025	64.2%	T-3rd

*Jin Young Ko has been playing better golf lately, fueled by an increase in her approach play numbers. She is gaining 1.34 strokes with her approach shots per round over her last 3 starts:

Jin Young Ko

Last 7 Starts on LPGA Tour

	Prev. 4 Starts	Last 3 Starts
Top 15 finishes	0	3
SG Total per round	-0.91	+2.70
SG Approach per round	-0.14	+1.34
Greens in regulation	65.6%	74.5%

*Jin Young Ko leads the LPGA Tour this season in average proximity to the hole from 125 to 150 yards away. Her average of 21 feet is more than 6 and a half feet closer than the LPGA mean.

Closest Average Proximity – 125-150 Yards

LPGA Tour This Season

Jin Young Ko	21'0"
Emily Kristine Pedersen	21'6"
Ina Yoon	21'9"
Hannah Green	22'3"

*LPGA Tour average this season: 27'7"



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Rio Takeda

*Rio Takeda led all players who made the cut at Erin Hills last week in strokes gained approach, averaging nearly 2.5 strokes gained per round:

SG Approach Leaders 2025 U.S. Women's Open

Rio Takeda	+2.49
Ina Yoon	+2.31
Nelly Korda	+2.25
Ariya Jutanugarn	+1.80
Ruoning Yin	+1.63

*Rio Takeda has been among the best players on the LPGA Tour this season, ranking at or near the top of the tour in a variety of scoring categories:

Rio Takeda LPGA Tour – This Season

		Rank
Rounds in 60s	21	1st
Bogey Avoidance	10.2%	1st
Top 10 Finishes	6	T-1st
Total Birdies	166	2nd
Par-5 Scoring	4.53	T-2nd
SG Approach	+1.23	3rd

Ayaka Furue

*Ayaka Furue has built a reputation as one of the best putters on the LPGA Tour over the past few seasons. That putter has gone ice cold over her last 3 starts, losing more than half a stroke per round on the greens over that stretch:

Ayaka Furue SG Putting LPGA Tour – This Season

First 8 Starts	+0.91
Last 3 Starts	-0.62



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Linnea Strom

*A year ago, Linnea Strom shot an incredible final round 60 to win the ShopRite LPGA Classic, the lowest ever final round by a winner on the LPGA Tour.

Lowest Final Round by a Winner LPGA Tour History

	Tournament	Final Round
2024 Linnea Strom	ShopRite LPGA Classic	60 (-11)
2014 Inbee Park	Manulife Financial LPGA Classic	61 (-10)
2024 Jasmine Suwannapura	Walmart NW Arkansas	61 (-10)

*Strom gained +10.15 strokes during that final round, the second most in a single round on the LPGA Tour last season. She was beaten by *one one-hundredth* of a stroke by Haeran Ryu's 62 in round 2 of the FM Championship, where she gained +10.16 strokes on the field:

Most Strokes Gained in a Single Round LPGA Tour – Last Season

	Tournament	Round	SG Total
Haeran Ryu	FM Championship	2	+10.16
Linnea Strom	ShopRite LPGA Classic	3	+10.15
Mao Saigo	CPKC Women's Open	3	+9.66
Auston Kim	T-Mobile Match Play	2	+9.08
Carlota Ciganda	T-Mobile Match Play	2	+9.08

Mao Saigo

*Mao Saigo's approach play powered her to 36-hole lead last week at the U.S. Women's Open as she tried to claim her second straight major championship. It went missing on the weekend, however, as she would go on to eventually finish in a tie for fourth:

Mao Saigo SG Approach U.S. Women's Open

	SG	Rank
Round 1	+3.71	2nd
Round 2	+2.93	7th
Round 3	-0.36	40th
Round 4	-2.01	55th

*Held 36-hole lead, finished T-4



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*Mao Saigo has elevated her putting this season, helping her compete in some of the game's biggest events. So far in 2025, she ranks inside the top 15 in strokes gained putting, picking up nearly a full stroke per round on the greens:

Mao Saigo SG Putting LPGA Tour – Last 2 Seasons

	SG Putting	Rank
2024	+0.30	T-48th
2025	+0.92	T-14th

Brooke Henderson

*It's been a down season so far for Brooke Henderson, who has just one top-ten finish and has missed her last two cuts. Brooke ranked second on the LPGA Tour in strokes gained tee to green as recently as 2022. She's currently 53rd in that metric.

Brooke Henderson Strokes Gained Tee to Green

	Per Round	LPGA Rank
2022	+1.85	2nd
2023	+0.91	24th
2024	+0.89	T-20th
2025	+0.40	53rd

Lauren Coughlin

*After making an astronomical leap in her putting statistics in 2024, Lauren Coughlin has come back to Earth a bit when it comes to strokes gained on the greens this season.

Lauren Coughlin Strokes Gained Putting

	Per Round	LPGA Rank
2023	-0.58	T-141st
2024	+0.64	15th
2025	+0.17	T-59th