



# MEDIA ADVISORY

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## **2023 CPKC WOMEN'S OPEN SET TO BEGIN ON THURSDAY**

*Opening Round pairings and tee times available*

*Thursday's opening ceremonies set for 6:45 a.m. PT on the 1st Tee*

*Download the Golf Canada App for your full CPKC Women's Open Tournament Experience;  
Media Guide & Player Performance Guide available.*

## **THREE-TIME CPKC WOMEN'S OPEN CHAMPION LYDIA KO ON RETURNING TO VANCOUVER...**

"I had my first LPGA win in Vancouver, and I think it's where everything kind of started. Who knows, if I didn't win or play that event maybe I might have not got the opportunities along

the way. Yeah, it's always going to be a very special place for me. I said maybe like if I win like a fourth time I would be like an honorary Canadian by then.”

For the full transcript of Lydia Ko’s media availability on Wednesday, please click [here](#).

**ROSE ZHANG ON COMPETING ON THE LPGA TOUR...**

“There are no words to describe how blessed and thankful I am to be able to be on this stage and playing the sport that I love. If anything, it makes me want to go out there and not only do my best on the golf course, but even off the golf course. Making sure that I'm doing everything that I can to become my best self. Be someone that other people can look up to and feel encouraged to play this game. That's all I really want. I realized that the LPGA Tour, being on this platform and seeing so many other veterans do the same thing, it really humbles me and wants me to become better.”

For the full transcript of Rose Zhang’s media availability on Wednesday, please click [here](#).

**STACY LEWIS ON PLAYING SHAUGHNESSY GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB THIS WEEK...**

“I think it's a good golf course. I think it's a little bit tricky. Some of the lengths of holes are playing for the firmness of greens, I think you'll see the officials hopefully move some of the holes up just to -some of the greens just aren't made for 5s and 6-irons. They're made for a little bit shorter clubs. Hopefully officials will adjust there a little bit and make it a little bit more playable, because it's just one of those courses you can hit a good shot and it hits on a downslope and goes over the back. It's going to be a great test. Nothing crazy under par is going to win this thing. You look back at the history here, it was single digits under par. I think you'll see more of the same.”

For the full transcript of Stacy Lewis’ media availability on Wednesday, please click [here](#).

**GABRIELA RUFFELS ON BEING A SPONSOR INVITE AND RETURNING TO VANCOUVER...**

“Yeah, it's great. I was super excited to get the invite. I know this is one of the bigger events on the LPGA schedule, so I was super excited when I found out that I was going to come here. I was here a couple months ago for my U.S. Women's Open qualifier actually, which I got through, I qualified, so I have good memories from Vancouver and it's nice to be back.”

For the full transcript of Gabriela Ruffels’ media availability on Wednesday, please click [here](#).

**GOLF CANADA CEO LAURENCE APPLEBAUM ON THE 2023 CPKC WOMEN’S OPEN ...**

“It's an incredible golf province, incredible golf locale, one of the special ones in our country. The 2023 CPKC Women's Open will be our greatest commercial success in the history of the Canadian Women's Open. For us to have a title sponsor like CPKC, a new elite partner like BDO and our other vast partnerships, everyone from Audi to Levelwear, we will have our greatest commercial success. And as many of you know, as the National Sport Federation we

take everything we do and drive it back into our performance program, participation program, and our membership services, so we're thrilled that we could have such an amazing result here in Shaughnessy."

For the full transcript of Laurence Applebaum's media availability on Wednesday, please click [here](#).

### **INTERVIEW TRANSCRIPTS, AUDIO FILES AND VIDEO**

Transcripts, audio and video from Wednesday at the CPKC Women's Open include Stacy Lewis, Gabriela Ruffels, Lydia Ko, and Rose Zhang along with Golf Canada CEO Laurence Applebaum.

Broadcast quality audio and interview transcripts can be downloaded [here](#).

Broadcast quality video can be downloaded [here](#).

### **PAIRINGS AND TEE TIMES FOR OPENING ROUND OF CPKC WOMEN'S OPEN**

Click [here](#) for pairings and tee times for the opening round of the CPKC Women's Open on Thursday, August 24.

### **BROADCAST TIMES**

#### **Round 1**

Thursday, August 24 TSN, RDS, Golf Channel 3:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. PT

#### **Round 2**

Friday, August 25 TSN, RDS, Golf Channel 3:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. PT

#### **Round 3**

Saturday, August 26 TSN, RDS, Golf Channel 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. PT

#### **Round 4**

Sunday, August 27 TSN, RDS, Golf Channel 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. PT

### ***CPKC HAS HEART CAMPAIGN TO BENEFIT BC CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL FOUNDATION...***

CPKC and Golf Canada are proud to support the BC Children's Hospital Foundation as the primary charitable beneficiary for the 2023 CPKC Women's Open. Among the charitable engagements tournament week will be the Birdies for Heart hole on no. 16 at Shaughnessy with a \$5,000 donation made for every birdie made on the hole during the four rounds of the competition. In addition, CPKC is also proud to support a community beneficiary in Royal Inland Hospital Foundation in support of cardiac care. In nine years of title sponsorship of the CPKC Women's Open, more than \$16 million has been raised to support children's heart health in the event's host communities.

## **CPKC WOMEN'S OPEN – MEDIA GUIDE & PLAYER PERFORMANCE GUIDE**

Below are links to the CPKC Women's Open Media Guide as well as the all-time Player Performance Guide:

[2023 CPKC Women's Open Media Guide](#)

[CPKC Women's Open – All-Time Player Performance Guide](#)

### **MOBILE APP EXPERIENCE...**

Experience the CPKC Women's Open like never before by downloading the Golf Canada Mobile App on your iOS or Android device. Essential features include a live map, leaderboard & pairings, tickets, breaking news, and special events. Plus, use the Golf Canada Mobile App to enhance your experience while playing! Find golf courses, track your game, set up matches against friends, access GPS yardages and more. [Click here](#) to download.

### **FIELD FOR THE 2023 CPKC WOMEN'S OPEN...**

[Click here](#) for the full current list of competitors competing in the 2023 CPKC Women's Open, August 22-27 at Shaughnessy Golf & Country Club in Vancouver.

Tickets for the 2023 CPKC Women's Open are available [here](#). Children aged 12-and-under get free admission with a ticketed adult.

### **ABOUT THE CPKC WOMEN'S OPEN**

The stars of the LPGA Tour will challenge for the CPKC Women's Open from August 22-27, 2023, at the Shaughnessy Golf & Country Club in Vancouver, B.C. Through its CPKC Has Heart program, title sponsor CPKC will once again make a substantial donation to the host community of Canada's National Open Golf Championship by supporting the B.C. Children's Hospital Foundation. The 2023 CPKC Women's Open is proudly sponsored by CPKC, BDO, Audi, RBC, theScore, Levelwear, Transitions, Titleist, FootJoy, Journie Rewards, Hilton, Sleeman Clear 2.0, Think Turkey, The Keg, Johnsonville, Cayman Islands, Masi, Celebrity Cruises, STALK&BARREL, Matt & Steve's, Coca-Cola, Rolex and is supported by Sport Hosting Vancouver, the Province of British Columbia, and the Government of Canada.

For information visit [www.cpkcwomensopen.com](http://www.cpkcwomensopen.com).

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