

# Meijer LPGA Classic

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Grand Rapids, Michigan, USA

Blythefield Country Club

## Nelly Korda

### Quick Quotes

**Q. What a day. Two eagles, 6-under 66. Just walk me through your round. Obviously ended on a really high note there.**

NELLY KORDA: Yeah. I started out with a good up and down on No. 2. I missed a couple greens at the start of the round; didn't really play the first par-5 really well.

And then made that putt on the par-3.

Then hit a really close one on 8 for eagle and converted that.

So that was a nice kick start to the round.

**Q. Let's talk about going into the last. Kind of slow to get there. What changed on 18 for you to be able to make that eagle?**

NELLY KORDA: I had a left-to-righter on 17 that I under-read, and I knew that my putt on 18, when I got up to it, that it was going to be a left-to-righter and I just gave it a little bit more than I thought.

Yeah, I just trusted in my line and it just barely dropped in, but it was a perfect putt and it was great to hear the crowd go wild, too. That was really cool.

**Q. Yeah, we heard the roar all the way up here. To only be your second start back, leading after 54 holes, obviously at a place you love, a place you've won at before, was that something you were expecting out of your game this early?**

NELLY KORDA: I just kind of went about it. I knew that I had enough practice under my belt and it was just more of like can I put that into tournament golf kind of play.

So far, you know, I've played pretty well and hopefully I can continue. I mean, there is still 18 more holes, still a lot more golf to be played. I'm just happy to be out there playing again.



I'm in contention, but, again, I've been in this position before. Thankfully I can lean on that and I can -- I just know that anything can happen in 18 holes. I'm honestly happy to just be out there and I'm grateful to be playing golf and I'm excited to give it a go these next 18 holed.

**Q. Just curious, what were your clubs into 8 and 18, those two eagles?**

NELLY KORDA: Both 7-irons.

**Q. You have a yardage on either that you remember?**

NELLY KORDA: I don't have a yardage. I'm sorry.

**Q. How far were you on the putt on 8?**

NELLY KORDA: On 8 I was probably like five feet.

**Q. Oh, so pretty tight.**

NELLY KORDA: Yeah.

**Q. Final question: Looking ahead to tomorrow, including yourself there are five other members of the Rolex Rankings Top 10 within a sniff. How cool is it, especially with a warmup before a major, to have this kind of leaderboard as you look to defend on Sunday?**

NELLY KORDA: Yeah, you know, this tournament actually always attracts a lot of the top girls on any type of ranking, so it's cool. It's a great golf course to play before a major.

Usually typically you have to go low and put a lot of pressure on yourself, so I feel like it's a great leading point into a major.

Obviously anything can happen and there is a lot of girls that are close to me and Jennifer, so hopefully I can put together a good round tomorrow and see how it goes.

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