



2024 Grant Thornton Invitational

Naples, Florida
Tiburón Golf Club

December 13-15, 2024
Par 72/Yards: 7,382 (PGA TOUR), 6,788 (LPGA)

Purse: \$4 million
Winner: \$1 million (\$500,000 each)

First-Round Notes – Friday, December 13, 2024

Weather: Partly cloudy. High of 77. Wind ENE 12-17 mph, with gusts to 22 mph.

Format: Three-round 54-hole stroke-play event with 16 teams of two. R1/Scramble, R2/Foursomes, R3/Modified Four-Ball

Scramble: Each player hits a tee shot and then the team selects the ball to be used for the next stroke. From there, both players hit their next shots from that spot. This process continues until the ball is holed.

First-Round Leaderboard

Pos.	Player	Total
1	Jake Knapp/Patty Tavatanakit	58 (-14)
T2	Akshay Bhatia/Jennifer Kupcho	59 (-13)
T2	Corey Connors/Brooke Henderson	59 (-13)
T4	J.T. Poston/Maja Stark	61 (-11)
T4	Sahith Theegala/Allisen Corpuz	61 (-11)
T6	Tom Kim/Jeeno Thitikul	62 (-10)
T6	Jason Day/Lydia Ko	62 (-10)
T8	Matthieu Pavon/Celine Boutier	63 (-9)
T8	Cameron Young/Lauren Coughlin	63 (-9)
T8	Luke List/Lilia Vu	63 (-9)
T8	Rickie Fowler/Lexi Thompson	63 (-9)
T8	Daniel Berger/Nelly Korda	63 (-9)
T13	Matt Kuchar/Megan Khang	64 (-8)
T13	Max Greyserman/Andrea Lee	64 (-8)
15	Nick Dunlap/Gabriela Ruffels	65 (-7)
16	Cameron Champ/Mel Reid	66 (-6)

Jake Knapp/Patty Tavatanakit (1st/-14)

- First-time Grant Thornton Invitational participants post 12 birdies and an eagle on the par-5 17th hole for a 14-under 58
- Open round with nine consecutive birdies to equal the nine-hole scoring record at the event with a front-nine 27
- Represent the only team in the field with both players having won on their respective Tour this season
- Knapp’s rookie season highlighted by a win at the 2024 Mexico Open at VidantaWorld
- Tavatanakit, winner of the 2024 Honda LPGA Thailand, is one of six LPGA Tour players in the field with wins this season

Miscellaneous Notes

- 2024 Olympians **Corey Connors/Brooke Henderson** (T2) open with a 13-under 59, including nine birdies and eagles on the par-5 14th and 17th holes; finished runner-up by one stroke to champions Lydia Ko and Jason Day in 2023
- **Akshay Bhatia/Jennifer Kupcho** (T2) post a 13-under 59; first-time participant Bhatia has two wins on the PGA TOUR (2023 Barracuda Championship, 2024 Valero Texas Open), while Kupcho owns three LPGA Tour wins (including a major championship victory at the 2022 Chevron Championship)
- Defending champions **Jason Day/Lydia Ko** (T6) card an opening-round 10-under 62
- **Daniel Berger** and Grant Thornton ambassador **Nelly Korda** (T8) open with a 9-under 63; World No. 1 Korda has seven victories on the LPGA Tour this season, while Berger entered the field after Tony Finau withdrew with a knee injury
- **Rickie Fowler/Lexi Thompson** (T8) post an opening-round 9-under 63 on Fowler’s 36th birthday
- Grant Thornton ambassadors: **Nelly Korda**/Daniel Berger (T8/-9), **Rickie Fowler**/Lexi Thompson (T8/-9), **Cameron Champ**/Mel Reid (16th/-6)