

## ~Team HONMA aims to win 25 titles worldwide for Tour 2015~ Ritsuko Ryu dominates a playoff round and achieves a comeback victory for the first time in three years!

HONMA GOLF Co., Ltd., (head office: Roppongi Hills Mori Tower 35F, 6-10-1, Minato-ku, Tokyo; representative director & president: Koji Nishitani) signed a contract for the use of clubs and articles with professional golfer Ritsuko Ryu, winner of the AXA Ladies Golf Tournament on the LPGA Tour (March 27 to 29) at the UMK Country club in Miyazaki. She and fellow teammate Bo-Mee Lee engaged in a playoff round for a one-two finish for TEAM HONMA at this tournament.

Ritsuko Ryu began using TW727 x VIZARD YC clubs during Tour 2015. She emphasizes that changing the shaft of her driver, which she had been using for many years, to NEW VIZARD helped to extend the carry of each drive. At this tournament, she engaged in a battle of shots with Bo-Mee Lee, who had been tied for the LPGA Tour record for winning all four of her playoffs to date. Once the playoff round began, both golfers secured a birdie against each other. After Bo-Mee Lee missed a three-meter birdie putt on the third hole, Ritsuko Ryu calmly



read the down-sloping line to the hole to achieve her first comeback victory in three years and earn her third career win.

This victory emerged from the first-ever playoff round to be held between TEAM HONMA members. Our TOUR WORLD x VIZARD clubs certainly contributed to the fierce battle between winner Ritsuko Ryu and runner-up Bo-Mee Lee. TEAM HONMA, which aspires to win twenty-five titles around the world during Tour 2015, has already won its second tournament this early in the season and will no doubt continue to demonstrate the superior advantages of our TOUR WORLD x VIZARD clubs on the world tour.



## **Ritsuko Ryu**

[Date of Birth] 4 November 1987 [Height] 160 cm [Club setting] 1W: TW727 455s 9.5° VIZARD YC65 S FW: TW727 3W 15° VIZARD YC65 SR TW727 5W 18° VIZARD YC65 SR TW717 7W 21° VIZARD YC65 SR UT: TW727 25° UT65 Iron: TW727 P (#5-#10) NS850 R Wedge: TW-W 50°/57°NS850 R [Money ranking] 2 [Mercedes-Benz Player of the Year Rankings] (Date: March 30)

## **Comment**

I am now savoring the joy of winning my first tournament in three years. I would like to express my appreciation to everyone who helped bring about this victory.

This season, I began competing with TW727 x VIZARD (VIZARD YC) clubs and have seen a dramatic increase in my carry distances. I am truly grateful for this victory, which I achieved with clubs that provided superior performance, and for the staff that supported me on courses to date. Thank you.

With a goal of earning more than 100 million yen in winnings this season, I will continue to work hard. I respectfully ask that you continue to cheer me on and stay in my corner.

