

# U.S. Girls' Junior Championship

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## Alexa Pano

### Quick Quotes

**Q. Talk a little bit about that stretch, I guess you won four holes in a row, kind of pulled away. Was there any particular shot in that stretch that stands out?**

ALEXA PANO: Not really. I mean, I just kind of stayed consistent, and I had some birdie opportunities on those holes but she'd clearly made bogey, so I just kind of played match play with it.

**Q. Obviously a quick day on the course today. You've had a lot of quick days. How nice is it to get off early today given that you had to sit around here for a long time today before you played?**

ALEXA PANO: I mean, it definitely feels good when you're sitting around for so long to go out and get a lead. I mean, when you're sitting around all day, you expect to come out and it's going to be slow out there, but getting a lead early is definitely key.

**Q. What did you guys do to kind of pass the time today?**

ALEXA PANO: We made a puzzle. It was really hard, but they gave it to us as a gift of our sweet 16, and then we blew bubbles and sat around and talked about how bored we were. So that kind of sums it up.

**Q. Could you watch any of the British Open at all?**

ALEXA PANO: No, none of that. I wish.

**Q. You and Lucy have a pretty good history, two national Drive, Chip and Putt champions. You guys played together last week at the Junior PGA. Obviously she comes in with a lot of credentials.**

ALEXA PANO: Yeah, I'm definitely excited. Lucy is a good friend and she's a really strong player, so it should be a really good match, and I'm super excited to play her.

**Q. There's a little bit on the line, especially for you. She's already in the Women's Amateur, you're not, so a win gets you into the Women's Amateur.**

ALEXA PANO: Yeah, I'm not really thinking about that while I'm playing, just kind of playing the golf event. I made that choice on my own to not finish because I was not feeling great that day, and so I mean, if I don't make it, that's my own fault. I just want to go into the match --



**Q. Is that a little bit of an extra incentive for you, though? Obviously you win two, you get a big prize, but given the fact you're not in the Women's Amateur, I'm sure you'd love to play in it.**

ALEXA PANO: Yeah, I would like to play in it. I mean, I have the past two years, but I came to the U.S. Junior to win the U.S. Junior. I didn't come to qualify for another event. So I'm just kind of keeping my head on straight about that.

**Q. What are your plans for tonight, just get your legs up?**

ALEXA PANO: Yeah.

**Q. You've actually been fortunate enough to not have to deal with the marathon days.**

ALEXA PANO: Yeah, I haven't been one of those people coming back out, so kind of the plan is to go practice a bit and then get back.

**Q. Have you had a routine every night, a certain restaurant or anything like that?**

ALEXA PANO: Yeah, actually. We've stopped at Smashburger every night. I haven't been to In-N-Out yet.

**Q. If Smashburger is working, you stick to the superstitions?**

ALEXA PANO: Yeah, definitely.