

U.S. Girls' Junior Championship

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Quick Quotes



Q. It was a long day, obviously, but you were fortunate that you got done yesterday, so you really only had to play two regular matches today. Was that easier that you had a regular routine today?

ALEXA PANO: Definitely. I'm just so happy that we got it in. I know a bunch of my friends, I felt awful for them. They're going to be playing three rounds. But it was really nice to be able to just come out, relax, do a regular routine.

Q. I know on 16 she had a pretty good putt for birdie, then you obviously came back on 17. Talk a little bit about that swing there.

ALEXA PANO: I mean, she'd been playing insanely well the whole day, and I felt like it was just one of us on top of each other. Definitely I think putting was a struggle for me the whole day as my ball-striking I felt really confident with, but I just couldn't get those putts in the hole.

Q. On 17, what did you hit in there?

ALEXA PANO: I hit a choked-down pitching wedge.

Q. To six feet?

ALEXA PANO: Yeah, just about. That was a pretty nice putt in there, too.

Q. Your thoughts about -- this is your first you've ever gone to a USGA championship, right, quarterfinals?

ALEXA PANO: Yes.

Q. Thoughts about now moving forward, you'll have a regular day, obviously, tomorrow, two rounds, if you can manage to win your morning match?

ALEXA PANO: Yeah, I mean, I'm super excited. I don't think I'm nervous at all because I think this is going to be one of the toughest matches that I could have. She was so consistent and so pure out there, and I think if I just keep playing the way that I did today and make some more putts, I'll be pretty good.

Q. The quarterfinals gets you exempt for next year, as you know. Yeah, so excited for that.