

U.S. Senior Women's Amateur Championship

Quick Quotes

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Pamela Kuong

“I birdied 16, and then on 18 I came within an inch of birdieing. It would have been amazing to birdie 18. Then we traded birdie putts every hole thereafter – burned the edges or whatever. It was a great match. I said to Peter [McCarthy her caddie] ‘A birdie’s going to win this,’ and it should rightfully be a birdie. You don’t want to win it on a three-putt or something. On the sixth extra hole, Peter said to me, ‘Can you make this putt, I’m so hungry right now.’”

“And that’s the same comment he made to me in the semifinals at Hillwood [in 2015, when Kuong finished as the runner-up] when I won in 21 holes [over Tamara Caldabaugh]. So we just started laughing, and I said I better make this putt because he’s starving. It was about 12 feet.”

“What’s so funny is that my heart rate is nothing, because it was such a fun match. You’re not nervous, you just know that you’re playing well and your opponent’s playing well. It was going to be a birdie or a really good shot that was going to win it. The match against Tamara was the longest I had ever played at 21 holes.”

“At one point, I was thinking, if one of us doesn’t make a birdie putt, we literally could keep going for a long time, because our games are almost exactly the same. We’re going to keep playing and make the turn. I get to live for another day and see what happens.”