

# U.S. Senior Women's Amateur

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Troon Country Club

## Shelly Stouffer Quick Quotes



**Q. You finished five over in stroke play at last year's Senior Women's Amateur. This year, you were one stroke off the same mark. How would you compare your game this week to last year?**

SHELLY STOUFFER: My game feels good right now. I'm hitting the ball pretty well and putting well. I don't think I had any three-putts today, which was nice because the greens are tricky here. So, I'm really happy with the way I'm playing, and yeah, everything is good.

**Q. Any highlights so far from stroke play?**

SHELLY STOUFFER: Well, I had four birdies yesterday, so that was a highlight. One birdie today on number 10, so that was good. I played more consistent today, because I didn't have any doubles and I didn't have very many birdies either, but I had a lot of pars, so it was good.

**Q. Is there anything specific about your game that's stood out to you so far?**

SHELLY STOUFFER: No, not really. Just keeping it in play, hitting fairways and greens, that seems to be my go-to key. Making a few putts here and there, so...

**Q. New tournament starting tomorrow. What are your thoughts heading into match play?**

SHELLY STOUFFER: It's a totally different game. I like match play, I seem to do quite well at it. So, I feel like it's really anybody's game, just who shows up to the golf course. Hopefully my A-game shows up every day, and if I don't need it and I can still win that's great. Hopefully I get a good draw and I have some good players that I play against and it's all fun.

**Q. Is your mentality to bring your A-Game, or is there anything else you think about going into match play?**

SHELLY STOUFFER: Well, if I'm one up then I want to be two up. If I'm two up then I want to be three up. I just kind of want to have a bigger lead. And if I'm down and hitting bad shots, I just want to get my game back, make some pars. Hopefully I'm not getting buzzsawed and birdied over like five birdies in a row or anything like that. But I think my game can stand up against anybody here, so I'm pretty happy.

**Q. You've played the course now in two rounds of stroke play, a couple of practice rounds as well. How comfortable do you feel out there?**

SHELLY STOUFFER: I like it, it suits my game. There's a few spots where I can't hit driver, on a lot of the par 4's. I shouldn't have hit driver on nine, because I put it in the bunker. But no, I have a great caddie, Amy, she's a member here, she knows the greens really well, and that's going to be helpful.

**Q. Did you know Amy prior to competing this week?**

SHELLY STOUFFER: I did, yeah. We have a mutual friend, which kind of got us together. But I played a practice round here in April, and Amy was playing right behind me, we had a drink after and connected pretty good, so it was fun. And then actually, we're staying with her because my accommodation fell through.

**Q. How much would you say Amy's expertise around the course has helped this week?**

SHELLY STOUFFER: Oh yeah, she knows the greens really well and knows which sides are faster. It's amazing, very helpful.