

# LPGA Qualifying Tournament Stage II

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### Quick Quotes

**Q. Solid day today. You seem to be squarely in the top 45 and ties. Give us some of the emotions. I know you just said you couldn't breathe.**

YU-CHIANG HOU: Yeah, I was so stressful the whole round. I mean, to be honest, the whole week, because it's one of my goal to made it to LPGA Tour, and then especially playing with sister this week, too.

So we both really want to make it to the final stage and then really looking forward to next year. So it's been a really stressful week, but I'm glad that I made it. (Laughter.)

**Q. So was Stage I just as stressful?**

YU-CHIANG HOU: I didn't play the Stage I, but my sister did. I was caddieing for her.

**Q. Is it less stressful caddieing for your sister?**

YU-CHIANG HOU: I won't say that. It's still pretty stressful. Yeah.

**Q. She's coming up to the finish right now, also squarely inside the top 45 at the moment; hoping that holds. What has this experience been like for the two of you? Both playing at Arizona together and then coming to Q-School, trying to both get your cards in the same year. That's got to be a crazy experience.**

YU-CHIANG HOU: Yeah, yeah. It's always really fun playing with my sister growing up, and especially we go same school, same elementary school and then we just playing together, live together, doing everything.

Then we working really hard towards the same goal and really, really hope that we made it to LPGA next year. That's biggest goal for us.

**Q. What's that like for your parents having two kids trying to go pro?**



YU-CHIANG HOU: I don't know. It's a lot of work for them. They spend a lot of time, a lot of money on both of us.

Just trying to play our best golf and then focus, keep doing what we are doing for like ten years already, and just trying to make them proud.

**Q. You had a pretty solid year ahead of Stage I and Stage II. Making it to the semis...**

YU-CHIANG HOU: Yeah.

**Q. I believe US Women's Amateur. What is your good season or what did your good season bring to you ahead of Stage II?**

YU-CHIANG HOU: I mean, I love practicing with all of my teammates, work with my coaches in Arizona, and then we have really strong team right now.

So just stay competitive and then practice every day. Everyone working with the same goal. We want to win national championship. And then, I mean, even though we didn't this year, but we still got to keep going and then keep working hard.

I'm glad that -- I was a little fighting my injury during the summer, but I'm glad I feel so much better right now. And then going to play the United States Women's Am this summer, that's the only tournament I play this summer.

But, I mean, stay with my team and practice with them I think helps a lot.

**Q. What was the injury?**

YU-CHIANG HOU: Torn labrum on my left hip.

**Q. What's it been like trying to bounce back from that with a lot of really important golf?**

YU-CHIANG HOU: Yeah, I took a full two month off like after national, after May. Yeah, so U.S. Women's Am is my only tournament.



**Q. Before Stage I?**

YU-CHIANG HOU: Yeah.

**Q. Oh, wow. So you haven't had a lot of time to prep. What did your prep look like coming into Stage II?**

YU-CHIANG HOU: Our season start September, so, yeah, still got -- put a lot of work in before this week.

**Q. How had you played in college before this week?**

YU-CHIANG HOU: It was just all right. Like top 15, but didn't win anything.

**Q. What did you find this week to put four solid rounds together?**

YU-CHIANG HOU: I mean, just stay patient, stay focused. My caddie really helps me a lot to calm me down.

And then stick with our game plan; fairways, green the most important things. The grass is kind of tricky around the green this week, so just trying to hit every fairway, every green, and stay patient, like the whole week.

**Q. What are your plans for not only your celebration tonight, but also prep for Q Series?**

YU-CHIANG HOU: Yeah, I mean, definitely going for some good food tonight with my sister, and just relax and flew back to Tucson tomorrow and then got another tournament coming up next week. Fly to Hawaii. Look forward to end up our college season strong and then keep working hard until the final stage.

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