

# LPGA Q-Series

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### Quick Quotes

#### **Q. What changed for you to kind of bounce back and make it into week two?**

BIANCA PAGDANGANAN: Honestly, like I'm not going to lie. I was probably a little bit stressed heading into the week. It's Q-Series and obviously it's a big deal for me wanting to keep my card or just improving my status.

After the round I spent some time thinking about my game, what I did wrong, because I was warming up in the morning and I was like, I'm hitting it good, like just relax and you'll be fine. I think I just put a little bit too much pressure on myself, force myself to hit good shots.

During the round actually my caddie was like, Whatever your thought process was during the practice round, try to do the same thing, because I'm seeing you hit shots that you haven't hit the past few days.

I was like, Okay, I'll try to get it together.

But I think it was a lot of just trying to realize that I have the game and I have what it takes. It's more of just being comfortable and trusting my swing throughout the whole of Q-Series basically.

#### **Q. So the next three days were a lot easier?**

BIANCA PAGDANGANAN: Yes.

#### **Q. A lot less stressful?**

BIANCA PAGDANGANAN: Definitely. I think the fact that I probably played Crossing, which I think I enjoyed Crossing -- I did enjoy Crossing. I did enjoy Crossing, so I felt a little bit more comfortable, and then played it again the third round.

I was like, Okay, if I keep this momentum going, you know, just try to minimize the errors that you did on Falls, and everything should just work out just fine.

That's exactly what happened. I played pretty good, I was



hitting great shots, so here I am, second round the Q-Series.

#### **Q. Welcome to Dothan.**

BIANCA PAGDANGANAN: Thank you.

#### **Q. You said you practiced a little bit today. Have you seen the golf course?**

BIANCA PAGDANGANAN: Yes, yes. I actually played 18 yesterday. I kind of took advantage of the fact we could use carts. I knew we were going to have a long week ahead, but, yeah, I did.

It's a lot of fun. I feel like it's pretty straightforward. The greens are I feel like a little bit bigger, so I think target golf is going to be really good this week.

Yeah, I enjoyed playing it. It was a little bit wet today from all the rain from yesterday, so we'll see how it works for the next couple days.

#### **Q. How are you with the rain? Are you more of a mudder? Are you a player that kind of just likes to slog through and get it over with?**

BIANCA PAGDANGANAN: Honestly don't care. Whatever is handed in front of me I'll take it, I guess. You can't really -- these are things you can't control, and I just try my best to control what I can control, which is how I approach the situation, my emotions throughout the round, my attitude.

And I know that that is already like a huge advantage or something that you really have to learn when you're playing this sport. So if it rains, then like we're going to have to play with whatever nature hands us.

#### **Q. Just kind of take us through your year. I know Q-Series is not really where any player wants to be, especially this early in their career, but you've had a big year, a good year. Just take us through some of your highlights.**

BIANCA PAGDANGANAN: If we're talking about both my



rookie seasons, or just this year?

**Q. Both of them. We'll count them together.**

BIANCA PAGDANGANAN: All right. I guess like last year was really just a learning process for me trying to see how everything works. It was my first year. They said they weren't going to count anything so I was like, Okay, I guess we're going to have to look on the bright side.

At least heading into your actual rookie year you'll have a little bit more experience. You've already seen some of the courses you're going to play. So I tried to use that to my advantage. Obviously I feel like this year was a little bit tougher seeing how well I played the previous year.

Again, there was a lot of pressure on myself trying to force myself to play the same way, trying to be who I was last year, trying to, I don't know, just play great golf when I shouldn't have, you know, done that.

So I just -- I think it's more just trying to stay in the present, focus on what you have right now, where you are right now, and then take it from there. Just enjoy everything that you are doing.

**Q. Being a player that has had some college experience recently, where, you know, it's a seven-day-a-week job, I don't care what the NCAA says. Do you feel like you have almost a little bit of an advantage knowing what it's like to play like a ton of golf over the course of 15 days?**

BIANCA PAGDANGANAN: I would say so. I think college really helped me. I think aside from the fact that the players that I see here are some of the players that I played with in college. I think the traveling was something that really helped me, knowing what to expect. I think it was a lot harder when I was in college because I had schoolwork to deal with, so there was like additional stress.

I guess the only downside or the other thing I have to worry about here is like booking flights, hotels, rental cars, all that. But I think it was such a huge advantage. It was very beneficial for my career just being able to experience college, playing back-to-back.

I remember I think Nationals every year, obviously if you make it to match play it's a ton of golf within a span of like a week, so I think it was good preparation for me into professional golf.

**Q. Just looking ahead to this week, I know there is one ultimate goal obviously that everybody has. What are some of your personal goals for the week ahead?**

BIANCA PAGDANGANAN: Honestly, I'm like -- I would like to look ahead, but at the same time, with Q-Series and having four more rounds, it's all about staying present. I think my game feels good, so it's just really taking everything shot by shot.

Obviously my goals are improving my status on tour. That would be very nice. So I guess the only way to get there is take everything shot by shot, focus on what I have to do, look over my game plan, and just stick to the routine that I always do.

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