

# U.S. Women's Amateur Championship

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Westchester Country Club

## Suthavee Chanachai

### Quick Quotes

#### Q. Great round today.

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: Thank you.

#### Q. First USGA Championship and you go shoot 69.

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: Yes, sir. I'm just trying my best to focus on every hole, just keep going.

#### Q. Did you have any expectations when you got here?

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: No, not at all. That's not my goal. Goal it's basically focusing on the process basically. I don't want to put expectations out there. If I play good, I play good. If I play bad, I play bad. It's golf.

#### Q. Was there any part of the round where you kept it going, was there a long putt for birdie, anything memorable about your birdie putts?

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: The birdie putts usually I would say like around 15 feet, maybe shorter than that, so I hit my --

#### Q. Nothing long?

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: No. I had like -- usually I made birdie on par-5s, and then I had a couple good hit on par-3s, so it's not really long putt.

#### Q. Yeah. Yeah. Have you played much this summer in terms of competitive rounds other than the qualifier?

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: No. Just I really play with the school, Mexico State, and after I graduate I just have to work, because once school done I don't have money to stay so --

#### Q. Right.



SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: -- I got to work.

#### Q. So where you working at?

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: I work at New Mexico State Golf Course.

#### Q. Okay.

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: So just work there like teaching the kids, something like that, and also practicing. So I been at the golf course for like --

#### Q. Yeah, so just in the shop?

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: Yeah, 8:00 am to 8:00 pm, something like that.

#### Q. So in between the working you're able to work on your game?

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: Yeah. I try my best to practice at least two hours a day. Something like that, yeah.

#### Q. Okay. Did you try it get into the Women's Amateur before?

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: The thing is, I look at it but every time I look at it they always full or like we just past the registration day.

#### Q. So you've never really tried? This is the first time you've tried to qualify or...

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: Yeah, first time and then probably going to be my last time because I'm going to play professional after this.

#### Q. So are you signed up for the LPGA Q-School?

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: Yes, sir.

#### Q. In the desert?

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: Yes, sir.

#### Q. So in like two weeks?



SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: Yes, sir, yeah. It's kind of like preparation for me this week, yeah.

**Q. Obviously you go out and shoot a 69, so this type of talent, you never played in this environment before.**

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: Yeah, I mean, I'm just happy to be able to roll some putts in and then I have my friend on my bag, too, so it's pretty fun today. That's all that mattered.

**Q. Obviously that sets you up well tomorrow for match play. You can go out, won't be that stressful.**

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: Yeah, well, tomorrow is going to be new day for me, so I'm not looking to make sure I score anything. Just try and do my best again.

**Q. In school I saw you were WAC Player of the Year, what, twice?**

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: Yes, sir.

**Q. And WAC Freshman of the Year once?**

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: Yeah, WAC 2017 Freshman of the Year, along with Player of Year 2017 and '18.

**Q. So how many tournaments did you win in college?**

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: I would say five, six.

**Q. Did you win the WAC title?**

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: Yes, sir, on the first year.

**Q. So '17?**

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: Uh-huh.

**Q. Okay.**

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: Yeah, the first year.

**Q. Have you ever been to the NAAs?**

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: NCAA I only make it to regional. Yeah, like this past year. I was actually like the individual I was like the fifth for it so did not make it.

**Q. So didn't make to Nationals?**

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: Uh-huh. It's like a couple shots short.

**Q. So you're here. This is almost like you're Nationals, right?**

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: Yeah, for me, yeah.

**Q. You graduated in May?**

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: Yes, sir.

**Q. In hotel...**

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: Hotel, restaurant, tourism, management.

**Q. You want to get into the food industry maybe?**

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: Yeah. Just two dream of me is like if I can play in the LPGA Tour or own my restaurant or food truck.

**Q. Is all your family back in Thailand then?**

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: Mom back in Thailand but my sister living in New Mexico.

**Q. Is she going to school there?**

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: Yeah, she graduated from New Mexico State. That's why I came to New Mexico.

**Q. Oh, so she wen there.**

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: Uh-huh.

**Q. Did she play golf there?**

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: Yeah, she play from 2007 to 2011. She's almost ten years older than me.

**Q. Okay. What does she do now?**

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: She just work at the court.

**Q. At the course?**

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: Not the course, but like the --

**Q. In the courtroom?**

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: Yeah, the judgment, something like that.

**Q. Okay. I got you.**

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: Not too sure what she's doing.

**Q. You got the golf bug in the family.**

SUTHAVEE CHANACHAI: Yeah.

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