

U.S Senior Women's Open Championship

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Fairfield, Connecticut, USA

Brooklawn Country Club

Rosie Jones

Quick Quotes

Q. Rosie Jones, 2-under. Talk us through the 18th hole there.

ROSIE JONES: Well, I think my legs were getting a little bit tired on the last three or four holes. I just pulled my drive pretty far left. That's the deepest I been in the rough all day. Usually just right off the fairway.

Punched out a 9-wood from like 165 yards. Just tried get it rolling. It was on a perfect path on the front of the green, front left, and just rolled and curled over towards the hole. Left me with a little nail biter putt.

It went in.

Q. In contention at a major championship heading into the weekend. What does that feel like for you?

ROSIE JONES: It's amazing. I been working really hard for this for several years, and I've been in this position. Hasn't come out for me yet, but I just believe in myself. I believe in my work ethic, and I'm hoping that I continue to play and hit the ball as well as I have, especially today.

I didn't hit it really well yesterday, but I had so many chances, and I'm sure a lot of people are saying this, but I left a lot of putts, a lot of birdies out there today.

Q. Did you do anything special to get ready for this event?

ROSIE JONES: You know, I'm getting older. (Laughter.) About six months ago I started working with a trainer doing some TPI exercises, and really has helped strengthen my core, my legs, getting better flexibility, just a better move through the ball.

It's funny that after 50 years I'm finally getting this game a little bit. I really thought I hit some solid shots today, even from the getgo, and just really didn't capitalize with my putter.



I think the greens were a little bit slower. I think I saw that they were just maybe single cut today and that really kind of played with my speed. Just didn't really pick it up, especially late in the day when there is a little bit more moisture on the grass, on the greens.

And the lighting was just really hard coming up the last three holes to try to get a good feel for it.

Q. Even though you don't get an opportunity to compete a whole lot now, do you find when you tee it up and you know this is for real and we're keeping score that all the old competitive juices come rolling back?

ROSIE JONES: Yeah, we been trying to prepare for that for the last couple months. I actually put together a tournament about eight weeks ago at my home course, and we had 16 gals come in just for one day from the legends tour and really had a great competition.

But other than that, you know, I'm just trying to rely on my past experience, and the Open is always the hardest tournament. You know, just have to be really patient and I think I been doing that really well.

Q. Last one from a me: Do you like where you are going into the weekend?

ROSIE JONES: I do. I sure do. I'm trying to figure out the scoreboard right there, but it looks like I'm in pretty good shape. I think Annika is not really running away with it yet, although those last three, four holes she's playing have good birdie opportunities. I just want to keep trying, you know, chase her down. So it's a golf course that I want to beat and Annika is just a number on the board.

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