

# U.S. Senior Women's Open Championship

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San Diego Country Club

## Trish Johnson

### Quick Quotes

**Q. Had a lot of birdies out there. Can you just walk me through your round?**

TRISH JOHNSON: Yeah, it was fairly consistent really. Drove the ball well. Hit my irons pretty -- everything was fairly decent. It was just the putting. You've got to be so careful. I think I parred the first six or seven, then chipped in at 8 just off the back, got up-and-down on 9 for par, then hit 10 in two to get to 2-under, then made two ridiculous errors on the next two holes, which really pissed me off. Then unfortunately didn't totally lose it and made a birdie on 16, I think.

Yeah, it was good. It was an awful lot better than practice, that's for sure. I've been hitting it well on the range but playing fairly average to say the least, so that was nice today. I didn't really hit any particularly poor shots. So yeah, it was encouraging. Hopefully I'll sleep well and do the same thing. That's the difference; you never know if it's going to be exactly the same when you don't play that much.

**Q. Talk me through the fast greens. How did you approach them?**

TRISH JOHNSON: They are so -- in the afternoon, they're so firm that I hit a couple of iron shots in that I thought were perfect and end up literally 40, 50 feet away, and you think, Christ, I have no idea how hard to hit this. The first one I left about 10 feet short and three-putted that. Then the next one is up the hill and left that short and -- it's just mentally really quite tricky to say the least. You've got to be on it all the time. If you have a bad five minutes mentally, you just make double because it's actually quite easy to four-putt if you get it wrong.

You've just got to be -- yeah, the par-5s you've kind of got to probably make your birdies. The par-3s are good. It was playing a little bit -- hopefully they'll be the same sort of flags tomorrow when we're playing early because if they change like they normally do, which makes no sense to me, it's not fair because when you're playing in the



afternoon and it's really bouncy, you need those same pins in the morning that you can get near because it's softer.

Yeah, be interesting to see how it is tomorrow. But no, very happy with that, to be honest. I'd have snapped your hand for with 1-under before I went out, I think.

**Q. You're a USGA champion and have competed in U.S. Senior Women's Opens before. Walk me through how that experience has helped you for 2025.**

TRISH JOHNSON: To be honest, I've played little golf, so between doing a bit of commentary and studio stuff, I didn't play -- I practice a lot, don't get me wrong. I have plenty of time to practice but I don't play a lot. I played a tournament the week before last, which was the week after I was on-course commentator at The Open so I didn't play well, but it's like you have a card in your hand and it's a team event so you're playing with other pros that you don't want to let down. So that feeling of being in a competitive mode is good.

Here I think even though I didn't play particularly well in practice, you sort of think, okay, I know how it feels. I played three times last week actually on the golf course at home, kind of with a card in my hand, so that was -- it's just different. It's different when you don't play competitive golf a lot. Like I say, you don't get any less competitive, you just get annoyed more quickly.

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