

# NW Arkansas Championship

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Pinnacle Country Club

## Sarah Burnham

### Quick Quotes

**Q. At the start of the day when you were on the driving range warming up, did you have any idea this is what was going to happen today?**

SARAH BURNHAM: I really had no expectations going into today. I wasn't hitting it the best and I just thought, whatever happens, happens, and it was a pretty good today.

**Q. How did you turn it around going from the range to the golf course?**

SARAH BURNHAM: I just told myself to swing easy and play it smart and we'll see what happens, and things worked out and I made a lot putts, which also really helps, so that's great.

**Q. You're 132 on the CME points list. Is that something that weighs heavy on your mind?**

SARAH BURNHAM: Yeah, I think everything happens for a reason. It does weigh on me a little bit, but whether I have to go back to Q-School or not, just see how these next four weeks go.

**Q. Seven birdies, your career low round here on the LPGA Tour. Just what was going through your mind and when did you really feel like you picked up the momentum?**

SARAH BURNHAM: I just wanted to get off to a good start today, and, I mean, as I said earlier, I wasn't hitting it well this morning on the range, so I just tried to get myself in a good rhythm.

And then, yeah, when birdie opportunities were falling the putts were falling, so it was just a fun day.

**Q. What do you like most about Pinnacle Country Club and what you've been able to get out of your game in this first competitive round?**

SARAH BURNHAM: Yeah, it's one of my favorite weeks



on tour. It's just so beautiful, like the little creeks throughout the course. Just super nice greens. I love, Arkansas. It's super fun.

So, yeah.

**Q. We talked about also just coming up here that your parents are back. We talked about the last time they were here is when you shot a 66 at the U.S. Women's Open. They come again and here you are with your career low round. I guess they're some sort of good luck charm.**

SARAH BURNHAM: Yeah, maybe. Maybe I kind of want to make sure their time is worthwhile out here. Because they don't come a lot, but when they do I want them to enjoy themselves and I don't want to play bad necessarily.

But you can't always control that. But, yeah, maybe they are my lucky charm.

**Q. You talked on the range about that you weren't feeling like it was going to be that kind of day. Then you get on the tee and end the day like this. When did you feel the switch that maybe it didn't matter what happened on the range this morning?**

SARAH BURNHAM: I would say when I got through probably hole 9. I was 3-under. I was feeling pretty good. Shots were going kind of where I wanted them to go.

Kind of felt like they were like just like a magnet to the pin. I don't know. So that was like a nice feeling.

**Q. A magnet to the pin. I like that.**

SARAH BURNHAM: Yeah.

**Q. What will you take away from this day going into tomorrow, going into kind of the expectations that you set for yourself?**

SARAH BURNHAM: Yeah, well, Ireland I had a first good round to start the tournament off and I kind of fell back, so I'm just hoping to keep steady and just make birdies and if a bogey comes it's okay. Just stay steady throughout the week would be great.



**Q. What did you learn about that time in Ireland that maybe you can use going into tomorrow?**

SARAH BURNHAM: Yeah, just like I got to just stay more steady in my mind. I can't overthink. I don't know the future, what's going to happen. It's golf and everything.

Yeah, like I said I just got to stay patient and steady.

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