

Epson Tour Championship

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LPGA International, Jones Course

Alana Uriell

Quick Quotes

Q. Nice week so far, 7-under yesterday, held it together 3-under today. Tell me about your week thus far and what's been working so well.

ALANA URIELL: You know, it's funny, my boyfriend is the one that usually caddies for me, and he had to leave and go to a funeral. I have an amazing caddie with me this week, and it just clicked for me, made all the difference, gave me a lot of confidence out there.

I have been on a good streak the last two weeks. I've been trending under par. So combining those things has really just made things click this week, I guess.

Q. What in particular has been working? We've seen low scores all week. You had one yesterday. The golf course is really gettable. What is it in particular for you that's really been working?

ALANA URIELL: I would say reading putts out there. For me, I'm like really seeing things, like just dedicating to my line, having a good feel of speed, and that really makes all the difference, especially when you have wedges. You've got a 10-foot putt -- a lot of 10-foot putts I guess I should say, so yeah, just doing that.

Q. You're a player we know pretty well on the LPGA, been on the Epson for a while. How hungry are you to get back out to the Tour? I know this week probably playing more for that exemption into Q-Series more than anything, but how hungry are you to get back?

ALANA URIELL: It would be very nice to get back to the LPGA for sure. Things are definitely different out there. Plus there's so many inspirational players that are out on the LPGA. It's fun to watch them play and be alongside them and play those amazing courses, as well. Who doesn't want to play in a KPMG PGA course. It's amazing.

Q. What's it been like for you this season? Obviously been playing some good golf, kind of trending the last couple weeks. But assess the year, I guess.

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ALANA URIELL: I did have kind of a bump in the year where I had a back injury that kept me out for like six weeks. Aside from that, I'm learning every course because I've never played on Epson Tour before, so every course is a new one.

Other than that, just a lot of travel like I'm used to on the LPGA, and just trying to figure out what's working that week and apply it to the course.

Q. What have you learned about yourself this year?

ALANA URIELL: That I have limits, I would say. I'd say we're not made of rubber bands and magic out here. It's a grind when you're on the road for a long time.

I would say staying positive is really important, having people that support you, and just being able to say it's okay to relax right now, even though you feel competitive, you're hungry for the Tour, you want to be able to throw something good up, sometimes more is less. Less is more. You know what I mean.

Q. Just looking ahead to tomorrow, I know you're five back right now. Never too far back, though, with this golf course. What's the mindset? I know there's some girls out here that would go and try to do the same thing, but you've got nothing to lose at this point. Would you go out and attack or stick to a game plan?

ALANA URIELL: Well, I'm out here practicing right now, so I'm just going to see what I have and then do my best to apply it out there tomorrow. There's a lot of gettable holes, and if I just get a good confident feel going into tomorrow with that confident feel, it can make all the difference. There's still 18 holes left. You never know what's going to happen.

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