

# U.S. Girls' Junior Championship

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The Club at Olde Stone

## Yana Wilson

### Press Conference



**Q. You've had some tough matches out there.**

YANA WILSON: A little bit, a little bit.

**Q. Back in the quarterfinals again, but there's no World No. 1 sitting on your back.**

YANA WILSON: Right.

**Q. Probably happy about that?**

YANA WILSON: Yeah, I know. I'm a little happy about that, but it's match play, anything can happen. I was actually texting Rose and Michael Thorbjornsen, and they've been helping me out through the week because they're both past U.S. Junior champs.

**Q. Rose is over in France right now?**

YANA WILSON: She's in Evian right now, yeah.

**Q. Has she been answering your texts?**

YANA WILSON: Yeah, she's been giving me some advice for the week.

**Q. What did she tell you?**

YANA WILSON: She told me just to stay kind of even and told me to keep hitting fairways and greens and stay consistent.

**Q. Do you feel like you've done that?**

YANA WILSON: For the most part, yeah. My first match today was a little iffy, but I feel like I warmed up around the 17th hole.

**Q. You won that hole, correct?**

YANA WILSON: I think I might have tied and then I won 18, made a 20-footer and started rolling it from there.

**Q. Did that win the match or did it put you up --**

YANA WILSON: Yeah, to win the match, on my first match.

**Q. Were you tied going into 18?**

YANA WILSON: I was tied going into 18 and made a 20-foot slider. It was fun.

**Q. When you make a putt like that going into the afternoon, did you feel like, okay, it's a little momentum, let's go play?**

YANA WILSON: Yesterday towards the end of the round I didn't really make that many putts, and early on today I didn't really make that many putts. It felt nice to make a good one for something that really mattered.

**Q. Do you feel like tomorrow you'll have a little bit of an advantage? You've been here before. You've been in that quarterfinal position and felt that pressure.**

YANA WILSON: Yeah, well, I mean, I know what not to do now compared to last year. Honestly, I don't think I have an advantage. I think everybody has an even playing field. Everybody starts out all square. We'll just see how tomorrow goes, and I'm really excited for it.

**Q. Does this heat -- Vegas is pretty dry. I know it's hot in the summer but not this humid.**

YANA WILSON: It's different for sure. But I have an umbrella that keeps me really cool. Yeah, it's great.

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