

U.S. Women's Open

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Champions Golf Club

Sarah Schmelzel

Quick Quotes

Q. Tell me about your play today. How did you feel about it?

SARAH SCHMELZEL: Yeah, it was good was. It was really steady. I think over the last few days I've been good at just hitting greens and managing my game really well, giving myself a look even if it is 40, 50 feet, and my speed has been great.

I had a few good up and downs on the front nine, which is my back to keep it all going, and stole one a little bit on 6, so it was nice.

Q. Weather factor at all? Earlier start? How did you prepare?

SARAH SCHMELZEL: I like playing early, so it was kind of nice to have the earlier start. No, I don't think the weather so much. We kind of got a little wind on that other side, which I feel like brings a little more trouble into play, but then you can take advantage of some holes when it was downwind, whereas in the practice rounds it was the opposite.

Made those holes a little bit easier. Wasn't too bad. Just a little bit of gusty wind made you think a little bit harder.

Q. This is your second experience at the U.S. Women's Open. Tell me about how it's different so far?

SARAH SCHMELZEL: Definitely, I -- last year at my first one it was definitely a pinch-me kind of moment. I realized how big of a deal it was. It was a huge goal to ever get to a U.S. Open, so it was really cool. I was a little bit more deer in the headlights last year.

I think this year I've maybe just almost like dumbed it done a little bit more to it's just another golf tournament and been a little bit more calm and managed a little bit better, like I said, with hitting greens and just two-putting where you can and maybe stealing one ever so often.



I think that's kind of the name of the U.S. Open. So I think I'm just better at that this year than I was last year.

Q. Next few days it's one course. It's only Cypress. How do you approach that?

SARAH SCHMELZEL: I'm excited. I love Cypress. I love both of them. They're great. But I'm really pumped to get back over there. I didn't make the cut last year, so I'm really excited to play this weekend and just see what can happen.

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