U.S. Senior Women's Amateur
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Portland (Ore.) Golf Club
Round of 64

Tara Joy-Connelly, 6 & 5

Q: Ace on No. 4, walk me through the yardage and what club you hit?

JOY-CONNELLY: "Can't see it from the tee because it's kind of behind the bunker, but you know, there's plenty of room between the bunker and where the pin is. It's on this tiny shelf on the back left. It was 107, and the ball, this morning, really wasn't going anywhere. It was kind of cold and damp. So I'm like, You know what? That almost ends up my perfect wedge number. Just launched it right at it, and the sound came after, you know, the ball disappeared. I was like, I think that went in. And my caddy Zane said, Well, I didn't see it shoot across the green. We got up there, you know, there was no ball, so."

Q: You won six straight holes, including the ace? How big was that for a momentum in your match?

JOY-CONNELLY: "You know, I knew it was going be a tough match. Sarah (Ingram) and I have had tough matches before. And she said, when we finish there, she says, Ooh, karma. So she lit me up in Scottsdale a few years ago. So she says, Oh, you know, that's just the way it rolls, right? She's such a good player, so, yeah, it was just one of those that you knew would be tough, and you just had to grind."