

# U.S. Women's Open

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Pebble Beach, California, USA

Pebble Beach Golf Links

## Nasa Hataoka

Flash Interview



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**Q. Nasa Hataoka, 3-under 69. Congratulations. How do you feel you played overall? It was kind of a tough start for you today.**

NASA HATAOKA: Yeah, I had tough front nine today. First two hole made a bogey. But I'm very happy to made a four birdie back side.

**Q. Can you tell me about how you overcome the bogeys and got yourself going in the right direction?**

NASA HATAOKA: I hit short side first two holes and that was very tough shot, so actually was good bogey on first hole.

So it was just hanging there.

**Q. And then the four birdies on the front side, your second nine, you birdied 2, 4, 6, 7. Can you talk about some of those birdies?**

NASA HATAOKA: Yeah, my iron shots getting better on back side, so especially my putting was good.

**Q. And what is it like to play at Pebble Beach and what was the most challenging part today?**

NASA HATAOKA: I play in the morning, but the back side is kind of wind starts blowing, so my irons distance controls was okay on back side.

**Q. Did you know much about Pebble Beach before you came here?**

NASA HATAOKA: I watch TV PGA TOUR and U.S. Open. Yeah, it looks really tough, but I'm really enjoying right now.

**Q. Is it prettier than it looked on TV?**

NASA HATAOKA: It's tough. It's really challenging golf course.

