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Lancaster Country Club

Sei Young Kim

Flash Interview



Q. Welcome back to the interview area. Sei Young Kim, even par, current clubhouse lead. How do you feel about your round?

SEI YOUNG KIM: Oh, it's a tough golf course out there. It's windy, and then my teed off early in the morning and then temperature little cool down, so feel like a little longer the first six holes.

But I kept the patience, and even though I made a bogey mistake, I tried to keep the patience, and just waiting for the opportunity.

Yeah, the par-5s are reachable, so it's good chance to make birdies. I couldn't make birdies today, but I had a good couple shots and I was able to finish strong.

Q. Can you talk about that birdie on 17.

SEI YOUNG KIM: Oh, yeah. Right after the bogey, I was little upset. I was like then didn't think too much, and it was a little into the wind, and to the pin was 170 meter about, and I hit the 5-iron. It was like a right to left ball flight. Yeah, it was make the like four feet. Yeah, so I made it.

Q. Do you feel like the course got easier or harder as the morning progressed?

SEI YOUNG KIM: I feel like it's not easy. It's really difficult. But I played in 2015, the U.S. Open, but I feel like familiar, but I have to keep every hole like fairway, and then greens are really slopey. It's not easy. It's like a good U.S. Open.

Q. Is it hard mentally to shift from wanting a lot of birdies to being happy with a lot of pars?

SEI YOUNG KIM: Yeah, some holes, even like the pars I feel like, oh, yeah, I made the par. Some holes par is best, yeah.

Q. This is apparently going to be the question of the day. What did you do on 12?

SEI YOUNG KIM: That hole like kind of front of the group still on the teeing ground, so I can see how they play. A then couple players kind of short and they got in the water, which means it can be really strong into the wind up there.

So I tried to hit five yards extra distance, so, yeah, I was able to make the par easier.

Q. What club?

SEI YOUNG KIM: 7-iron. I was thinking about 8-iron, but after seeing what they hit in, I changed clubs. It helped.

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