Trust Golf Women's Scottish Open

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Quick Quotes

Q. How was that?

EMILY PEDERSEN: It was a mix, a lot of good birdies but my putting has been an absolute disgrace the last two days. I have nine bogeys and six of them are because of 3-putts.

Q. It's quite difficult putting in the wind, isn't it? Maybe being slightly hard on yourself?

EMILY PEDERSEN: Maybe. Sometimes maybe not. It's more the shorter putts that I've been missing, so, yeah. But obviously it's a little bit more difficult than normally.

Q. How do you view a round like that? There's two ways of looking at it obviously. Do you see it as a good score or slightly disappointing score?

EMILY PEDERSEN: No, I shouldn't be making six bogeys. When I'm striking the ball like I do, six bogeys is not good enough. Obviously I'm happy with all the good stuff, but I'm driving the ball so well that it should be a little bit more of an advantage for me, and six bogeys is just too much.

Q. What's the hardest thing out there in those conditions?

EMILY PEDERSEN: For me it's been the putting, but I've only missed I think eight greens in two days, which is quite solid. My chipping's been really good. So obviously it's frustrating feeling so many parts of the game is good, and then lacking the putting a little bit.

But obviously there's two more days, and I have time to fix it. I have fixed it before for a weekend, so hopefully I can do that again.

Q. Are you past the jet-lag?

EMILY PEDERSEN: Semi. It was nicer waking up this morning for an early tee than yesterday. I feel fine, still a



little bit jet-lagged but nothing much.

Q. I wanted to ask you about the Solheim Cup, you're approaching this one in a slight different position than you did in 2017. How are you viewing the prospect of going in as the leading qualifier?

EMILY PEDERSEN: It's good. I've played well. So it's never bad leading anything. But I mean, honestly I try not to think too much about it. I know if I play well enough, I'll be there. If I don't play well enough, I might not be there.

Q. I think you can take it that you'll be there at this point.

EMILY PEDERSEN: We'll see. I just try and play some good golf, and it's good. This is the third week in a row that I'm in contention, so I'm thinking -- I haven't played well at the beginning of the season, so it's definitely trending in the right direction. I think it's good sitting at second and then still feeling like there's a lot to gain out there. So I think that's a positive.

Q. Last week, obviously the Olympics, you played very well. How would you sum up that experience?

EMILY PEDERSEN: It was good. Fun to play for Denmark. Fun to not play for yourself so much. It was good. I was playing good.

Obviously bummed not to bring home a medal. I was in it all the way into the middle of the back nine, so obviously it kind of sucks when you're close. But again, it's probably the best event that I had this year. I had four rounds in a row under par. This is the first time this year that I have that.

Again, just it's good to be in contention in a field like this; that the 15 best players in the world are there, and the fact that I finished fifth is a good sign for me.

Q. How different is the mentality, playing for your country, as opposed to playing for yourself?

EMILY PEDERSEN: Once we get on the golf course, it's



no different.

Q. Is it practise for Solheim?

EMILY PEDERSEN: Yeah, obviously Solheim is different because it's match play but yeah, I like representing Denmark and Europe.

Q. The two eagles is definitely a positive?

EMILY PEDERSEN: I hit it just right of the second green and then I chipped in, which was nice.

Q. No putts there.

EMILY PEDERSEN: No putts there. Helps I holed two chips today. And then on 15, I hit a good drive. I hit 108 to the pin. I hit a 52 to like ten feet and made the putt.

Q. I feel like last year we were in the same spot a year ago, the playoff performance and you went on to have the year of your life on the LET. What has your life been like the last year since this event?

EMILY PEDERSEN: Obviously a lot has happened. I think I was 500-something in the world when I entered this event last year, and obviously I'm coming in a little bit more confident this year.

But I'm happy to be where I am. I'm happy that I've grown from last year but I'm still trying to grow. I'm still trying to achieve a lot more than I have.

But it's all good steps in the right direction.

Q. What is it about links golf that you like so much? I know you were just talking about some of the struggles with the putting, but is there a certain excitement when you're coming to a course that you don't usually play week-to-week?

EMILY PEDERSEN: It's fun in a way that you kind of get the feeling sometimes that he ever hole is just about surviving that hole. You can't think ahead too much and it's like you can kind of get away with a little bit more flaws in the shots.

Last week, you had to be so on it because there's no real wind and everything sits where you hit it. You have to be a little more creative here and I think that suits my game more.

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