

Pelican Women's Championship

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Pelican Golf Club

Matilda Castren

Quick Quotes

Q. Birdie on the last to cap off a solid day. In contention heading into the weekend. What went so well for you out there today?

MATILDA CASTREN: I was hitting the ball really good today. I think I hit 16 or 17 greens, and most of the time I was inside 20 feet, so that really helped.

I actually missed few shorter birdie putts in the beginning, but then they started rolling in. Yeah, I just really took advantage of those opportunities.

Q. How did you stay patient missing some shorties early on?

MATILDA CASTREN: I figured I'm hitting it close so eventually they'll drop. Just like statistically one of them will drop.

Yeah, just tried to keep positive and focus on hitting the greens and trying to get close.

Q. How have you found Pelican Golf Club this week? Obviously we talked so much about the undulating greens. How has the golf course felt to you this week?

MATILDA CASTREN: I personally really like the course. I think it's a little generous off the tee, and you really have to be careful with those approach shots. Like you said, the greens are pretty undulated, but it helps if you're hitting it close and take advantage of those shorter holes when you have a wedge in.

Yeah, I been putting pretty well the past two days, so I hope to keep that up.

Q. How much confidence did you glean from your Solheim Cup experience? How long was the high?

MATILDA CASTREN: I think the high is over now. I've had a couple weeks off to kind of like decompose and just



practice a little bit and rest, and so I think actually seems quite far away right now.

I'm just hoping to finish these last two tournaments on a high note.

Q. What do you do to rest?

MATILDA CASTREN: I watch a lot of Netflix, just do other things than play golf. I live in California, so we go hiking or just like walk on the beach. Just anything else but golf.

Q. Do you watch anything good on Netflix?

MATILDA CASTREN: I started watching the Formula 1 show, Drive to Survive. That one is really, really good. I didn't really know anything about Formula One before I started watching it, but I'm totally hooked now. (Laughter.)

Q. You've had kind of an incredible year. I mean, couple wins, obviously your big time Solheim Cup appearance. It's been a lot, though. I'm sure you're kind of worn out. How are you feeling going into the last two weeks of the season?

MATILDA CASTREN: Well, like I said, I've been practicing last week, and I just want to finish it on a good note. After that, I'm definitely ready for a couple months off and just rest and see my family for the holidays, just stuff like that.

Q. What's your mindset head into the weekend?

MATILDA CASTREN: I'm just really excited. I hope to keep up with my iron shots and hope to hit the greens like I did today and yesterday and just give myself opportunities and just try to stay patient.

Q. Curious if there was a story behind your clip, the french fries.

MATILDA CASTREN: Oh, I'm using it today because it's Friday, so like fry day.

Q. Okay, okay. Do you usually match by days, or just on go at random?

MATILDA CASTREN: For now I just have this one for Friday. I'm hoping to add something else. Still kind of trying to figure out what it could be for Thursday, Saturday, Sunday.

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