The Annika driven by Gainbridge at Pelican

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Perrine Delacour

Quick Quotes

Q. All right, I'm here with Perrine Delacour after her second round at The ANNIKA. Great bogey-free round today especially just talk us through your round and maybe how difficult it was to go bogey-free out there?

PERRINE DELACOUR: Yeah, it's the kind of course pretty much if you're putting good it helps a lot. I mean, I made some great putts and I stayed patient all day.

Early in the round I could have made more. I hit the flag my second hole on 11 and missed the putt for birdie. I pretty much stayed patient all day and it's working.

Q. Can you talk us through, some of the greens out here are definitely tough to hit and picking your spots. When you're standing in the fairway what are you looking at on the greens?

PERRINE DELACOUR: You're pretty much talking probably about No. 2. No. 2 I know the green if you make it, if you're playing pretty much even par all week it's going to be pretty much good improvement.

Today I make almost like a 25-footer for par, so I mean, some of the greens you know it's going to be hard to make par so you just going to have to admit it to make bogey.

Some of the hole it's easier so you can always come back. It's definitely a tough trace, but you have to do what you have to do.

Q. You've been really brave and open about some of your struggles off the golf course. I feel like I ask you about this every time I see you. To be in the stretch of golf you're in right now, it's super solid. How good does that feel to be playing this good of golf again?

PERRINE DELACOUR: Yeah, it actually help me a lot to open up and tell me about it, because I'm the kind of person that I don't like to put a mask on. It helps me a lot.



In Korea after two round I was struggling a lot and then I started to open up, talk to my caddie, talk to players about it. I was like, you're not the only one crying on the course. I was crying and I shot 12-under on the weekend.

So I feel like the more I open up to people the better I play. It's just the way I am. I just open up, and if some people wants to talk about it, I'm more than happy to help them and improve them.

Q. How much fun are you having?

PERRINE DELACOUR: I was just like, well, at the end of the day it's just golf. I don't care. I was actually on vacation last week and I was -- it was the first time everybody seen myself as non-golfer.

And when I started to say, oh, I'm playing golf, I mean, you could see I have people were looking at me differently.

So it's mainly the goal for me is to see myself as not a golfer, and who cares how you're playing, at the end of the day everybody will love you no matter what.

Q. Love that. Had some work to do this week to maintain positions and hold on. Just to get two good rounds together and head into the weekend here, obviously this golf course can be a little trickier, but how good does that feel?

PERRINE DELACOUR: It feels good. The chances that I was getting bumped out of CME were pretty low, to be honest, so I was pretty much -- I liked my position better than people behind me.

But you never know in golf. It's not only yourself but other people. For sure making the cut, it feels good. Playing CME, it's my second time, so that was -- when you look at it a year ago where I was and right now, it's like, wow, okay, it's really good. I'm proud of myself.

Q. I was going to say, how proud of yourself are you of your season and that turnaround?

PERRINE DELACOUR: I'm really proud. As a golfer you



always want the best and it's hard sometimes. I'm super happy. I have a really good team around me and they always say, okay, you have to look where you were one year ago and where you are right now.

That actually helps me. Okay, I make a big step. You always want it to go faster, but it is what it is. I'm the person taking time and I will admit to it.

Q. And then just looking at this year as a whole, what has been your favorite memory so far? If you had to pick one thing, one tournament maybe, one little nugget.

PERRINE DELACOUR: That's a hard one. One tournament?

Q. Put you on the spot.

PERRINE DELACOUR: I mean, the course I like at British. That was my favorite one. This one, I mean, if you don't including -- I mean, Baltusrol was good. I shot 64 on the last day so that was definitely one of my pretty good rounds.

But also I have couple great round. Shot 12-under in Korea for two days. Bogey-free on the weekend. So it's just -- I don't have one. I mean, I have some courses I don't like, but most of it I'm fine with it.

Was more the year of like -- I heard my mental coach say it's putting white spirits on the course I don't like, so just clean them and making good memories again, which was pretty good.

Some of the courses I was like oh, my gosh, I don't want to go, and now I have to pick what course. I kind of like all of them. Now I am like, no, you cannot play all of the tournament next year.

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