

The Annika driven by Gainbridge at Pelican

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Pelican Golf Club

Charley Hull

Quick Quotes

Q. All right, very pleased to be joined by Charley Hull here at The ANNIKA driven by Gainbridge at Pelican. Phenomenal round today. Only one bogey on the card. A lot of birdies. What went into today?

CHARLEY HULL: Yeah, felt like I played pretty solid. Hit it pretty well and putted pretty well. Made a bit of a silly bogey on my 8th hole, but it was the 17th hole of the golf course because I started on the back nine.

Just three-whacked it. Apart from that didn't really leave much out there. Just one birdie putt. I think it was on my sixth -- fifth th hole on the back nine. But, yeah, apart from that I played pretty well.

Q. Take us back to the win you had on the LET a couple weeks ago. Some highlights? How was that?

CHARLEY HULL: It was really good. I played pretty solid. I was in a good place. I'm just really happy.

Q. How much confidence or what did you take away from at that win into this week?

CHARLEY HULL: I feel like I've been playing very, very well all year. Sometimes you just forget how to win. So that's kind of reminded me how to win.

Q. When you're being reminded how to win, what was the takeaway? What did you learn?

CHARLEY HULL: I kind of like chasing from behind because I find it's actually a lot more fun. I feel like if I get myself into more chances, just kind of like change of mindset. I felt very confident and cool out there when I won. So, yeah, just a few little things.

Q. Seems to be a popular course amongst the players. What do you like about it?

CHARLEY HULL: Yeah, I think it's in fantastic condition. I



feel like it's one of the best golf courses we play all year. The greens are super fast. Like they're very, very, very fast out there.

I think it's amazing how well they've got the course in tournament condition considering the hurricane was here a month and a bit ago. Yeah, well done.

Q. When you're putting on these fast greens, what are you thinking about to keep the ball in check and keep it from running away from you?

CHARLEY HULL: I don't really think much. Just another putt, isn't it? Just hit it softer. That's all really.

Q. For you what does this golf course bring out the best in your game?

CHARLEY HULL: I think you have a bit of an advantage if you're long off the tee. I think if you are just playing steady, good golf you're going to score around here.

Q. Playing on the LET as much as you do throughout the year, as well as the LPGA, does that give you a lot of confidence having those high finishes when you come back out on the LPGA?

CHARLEY HULL: Yeah, 100%. The standard on the LET now is getting a lot better. Like every time I go over there I notice it.

No, to get a win in Saudi and then taking on the golf course today, I actually had a bet with my boyfriend. Every five birdies I make we have an extra day on our holiday.

So I was trying to make ten birdies. Hopefully I'll have more over the weekend and I have a two-week holiday at the end of the year.

Q. Where is the holiday?

CHARLEY HULL: It's going to like Europe.

Q. TV showed you getting stretched out at some point during the round. Was that something that flared up



today?

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CHARLEY HULL: I always have bad hips. I've been kind of lazy on the physio the last two weeks. Haven't really had any physio and it's just gone out.

Yesterday I wasn't feeling very well in the pro-am had. Stomach pains and cramps and stuff. I think it just tightened my whole body up. I'm going to have a bit of physio and some needles put in me after the round.

Q. Obviously didn't affect your play all that much.

CHARLEY HULL: No, I can feel it, but at the end of the day I think pain is a weakness of the mind so you just got to hit through it.

Q. The bet for every five birdies an extra day, when did that start?

CHARLEY HULL: About ten minutes before my tee times.

Q. So you're still --

CHARLEY HULL: Yeah, got one extra day on a holiday. I had actually seven birdies so I said like an extra half of day, and, then, yeah.

But hopefully I get more over the weekend.

Q. I was going to ask if it was cumulative and you can apply the extra two to tomorrow.

CHARLEY HULL: Exactly. Every day I'm going to make sure this bet is on for.

Q. Side bets help you focus more out there?

CHARLEY HULL: 100% they do. They really do help me focus.

Q. Any other side bets you've had?

CHARLEY HULL: When I was playing in Saudi my boyfriend actually rang me before my round and he was like, I reckon after three holes -- I bet you're 3-under after three holes. Okay, we'll have a bet. I think I was 2-under after three holes but then I made a couple more birdies.

Kind of like gets you going.

Q. Is this a good luck charm or something?

CHARLEY HULL: My boyfriend got me that as well. I always wear it. It's just out; not tucked in.

