## **LOTTE Championship** presented by Hoakalei

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## **Auston Kim**

**Quick Quotes** 

Q. All right, obviously there is one number on the card probably would like to take back. Other than that, to still be in contention the way that you are going into the final day, overall how to you assess your moving day?

AUSTON KIM: It was really, really good. I'm very proud of how I played today. The front nine was really good. Holes 10 and 11 were really solid.

I made a couple mistakes on the back, but mistakes happen. That double was a bit unfortunate, but mistakes are bound to happen. I just hit a bad putt and it was a little costly in the moment.

I know why I made those mistakes and learned a lesson moving forward. I can learn and do better.

So overall I'm just really proud of how I played today despite it being really tough out there.

Q. I feel like when the conditions are like this and there are moments like that, like the double, it's really easy to -- I don't want to say unravel -- but really to keep that spinning; you did not let that happen, parring all the rest of the way in. What did you think about, what did you draw on reflecting after that?

AUSTON KIM: Yeah, I knew that it was just a bad putt and had a bit of a lapse there. Again, unfortunate, but it is what it is. I kept telling myself that I'm still very capable of hitting good shots. I putted it very well all day, so I just kept reminding myself I was capable of playing well, hitting those good shots, and I just kept trying to make birdies out there.

I just barely missed a birdie on the last hole, too. But overall, I won't let those bad shots take away from what I did today.

Q. Front nine definitely saw couple of those birdies



there.

AUSTON KIM: Yeah.

Q. What was working so well at the start of this round for you?

AUSTON KIM: Again, hitting fairways. I don't think I missed a green in the front. Just everything felt good. I felt very capable. I felt very strong.

I just tried my best and it worked out, so...

Q. Definitely feels like you're an in-the-moment kind of player, just taking it one shot at a time. Is that how you can be most successful tomorrow do you think?

AUSTON KIM: Yeah, I'm just sticking to my process and taking the shots as they come. Putting 100% focus into what I can control, basically what every athlete tries to focus on.

Again, I'm just focusing on what I'm capable of, what I want to do, staying positive, and just being my best friend out there.

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