T-Mobile Match Play presented by MGM Rewards

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Ayaka Furue

Quick Quotes

Q. Okay, joined by Ayaka after her first round victory here at the match play event. Looked like a very long match. Can you just talk about your perseverance through it?

AYAKA FURUE: Yeah, it was kind of tough. First nine holes were really good for me, but Auston was gaining momentum at the last hole, like gradually, so that was really tough match for me today.

Q. And I was just looking at some statistics, and you have won the most number of matches out of anyone in the field. What is it about match play that you really enjoy?

AYAKA FURUE: I like playing the opponent. There is an opponent who's playing in front of me. It's really visible then and I need to think about, do I need to play conservatively or aggressively. Yeah, that's kind of fun for me.

Q. You've played well at this event before. What is it about Shadow Creek that you really enjoy? Is there something about it that you think suits your game at all?

AYAKA FURUE: Yeah, I was being in contention for two years, like except last year, but it was really difficult -- this is a really difficult course for me, but it makes me more focused on the course and then my play as well.

So that's why I feel I am matching this course as well.

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