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Golf Clubs at The Tribute

## **Emily Kristine Pedersen**

**Quick Quotes** 

Q. Here with Emily Pedersen. Solid day. First nine holes couple birdies, a lot of pars. Kind of a slow start. Really found something on the front nine, which was your back nine. Just walk me through your day.

EMILY KRISTINE PEDERSEN: Yeah, I was putting really well. I didn't hit a lot of greens on the back nine, which was my front nine, and then kind of found a little bit in the swing and started hitting some more greens and a little bit more saved pars on the back nine.

But generally the putting was really good today.

Q. You don't hear that often. Not hitting greens, make an adjustment, and it works on the golf course. What did you adjust if you don't mind me asking?

EMILY KRISTINE PEDERSEN: I just thought about what my coach, David, keeps saying to me. By swinging it back a little bit shorter, a little bit slower, to just kind of get onto the path a bit better, and then that kind of helped, so...

Q. What have you found on the greens this week that's been working for you? Played some solid golf thus far.

EMILY KRISTINE PEDERSEN: I feel like I've been good at reading them, but mostly just really committing to the lines and the putts that I see. There is so much going on on the green, like with the grain and all the different slopes.

I've just been like super focused on just committing to whatever I decide, and then trusting that and then it's kind of worked.

Q. Seems pretty slick downgrain and then really slow into the grain. I know that's kind of typical for this kind of grass but how do you make that adjustment mentally when you are looking at a downhill putt or looking at an uphill putt?



EMILY KRISTINE PEDERSEN: I'm still trying to quite find the adjustment up the hill and into the grain. That's quite difficult.

But I think just playing it like it's a little bit shorter or playing it extra quick or a little bit longer. Just, I don't know, yeah.

Q. Got to feel pretty good to put two solid rounds together. Looking ahead to the weekend, probably going to be in the mix. Got a lot of golf left, but in the mix. What's the mindset heading into Saturday and Sunday?

EMILY KRISTINE PEDERSEN: Yeah, as you said, there is still a lot of golf to be played this afternoon, and I'm expecting obviously someone to go out and shoot low.

But hopefully just keep up maybe hitting a few more greens the next few days, and then if I keep putting like this, I should make a lot of birdies and then hopefully I'll be in contention somewhat.

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