

Dow Great Lakes Bay Invitational

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Midland Country Club

Polly Mack

Celine Borge

Press Conference



THE MODERATOR: Here again with Polly Mack and Celine Borge after the second round at the Dow Great Lakes Bay Invitational. Six birdies on the card today, no bogeys. Who was the one big scorer out there today, or was it an even match?

POLLY MACK: We both played three birdies, so that's half, but I would say Celine was definitely the more consistent out there today, making a lot of pars, especially when I messed it up a little bit. It was very great out there. Very flawless, yeah.

THE MODERATOR: Nice. Celine, you made a lot of pars apparently. Tell me how this course works with your game. What do you like about this course?

CELINE BORGE: I just try to focus on every shot and do my best. Yeah, just hit it close to the pin because I know I have a playing partner that can hit it close too.

THE MODERATOR: Nice. Were you having a closest to the pin competition at all? That hasn't crossed your mind at all? That's too bad. That would have been funny. What parts of the course are maybe tricky or challenging out there?

POLLY MACK: I would say the second nine can get a little tricky here and there, especially when the wind picks up. The open par-3s, like 18 and I think it's 13.

But, yeah, all over it's like a really nice, beautiful course. Good sites. Yeah, lots of fun.

THE MODERATOR: Would either of you say that today was easier than yesterday? I know alternate shot versus four-ball tends to be a little lower scoring.

CELINE BORGE: I felt it was a little trickier with the wind today. It didn't blow anything yesterday. But, yeah, it's an

easier format because then you can have two chances.

POLLY MACK: Yeah.

THE MODERATOR: So going back to foursomes tomorrow, what's going to be the strategy again?

CELINE BORGE: The same as yesterday.

POLLY MACK: Yeah, I think we did pretty well yesterday. Very consistent, and I think we'll keep that up and just help each other out. Yeah, just consistency is key.

THE MODERATOR: I know yesterday, Polly, you said that you guys hadn't spoken yet about what your with strategy would be like today. When you did speak last night, what were some of the things you said to each other to prepare for today?

POLLY MACK: We were just making sure each other is comfortable with everything, if we wanted someone to go first on the tee box or so because of strategy, which we sometimes did.

But, yeah, all over I feel like it's basically focusing on the own game today and then tomorrow will be more together again, yeah.

THE MODERATOR: Have you been learning where not to hit the ball out here and just learning anything specifically about the course or the grass that sticks out?

POLLY MACK: I would say the rough can get pretty tricky, so you don't really want to be in the rough on some shots, especially when the pin is tucked in the front or behind a bunker.

CELINE BORGE: Maybe or a tree is in the way.

POLLY MACK: Then what's that par-3 over there? Four? Four is kind of tricky because the whole left side is kind of hard. It runs towards the water, so the right side is better to hit on.

THE MODERATOR: Being rookies, I know you haven't played in this event before, but team "Mackleberge" will be



celebrated tomorrow. Walk-up songs, everything. How much are you looking forward to that environment? What sort of dances will you be doing coming down 18 hearing your song blasting?

POLLY MACK: I'm very much looking forward to the song, and I think it's a very nice song to get us hyped for 18, but I don't know if you'll get a dance out of us (laughing).

THE MODERATOR: Oh, no. What is the song again? I know it's a Macklemore song, a tribute to your name. Which song is it?

POLLY MACK: "Can't Hold Us."

THE MODERATOR: I hope we see some dance moves, but if not, that's okay. Thanks, ladies.

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