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Midland Country Club

Celine Boutier

Yuka Saso

Press Conference



THE MODERATOR: Here with Celine Boutier and Yuka Saso after their second round. Really another really good day for you guys. What is it about this course that you guys like for each of your own games? Celine, you can go first.

CELINE BOUTIER: I think it's a fun course because they can play around with the tee boxes a little bit and I feel like some par-5s are -- I mean, it's more exciting for me because my partner is a little bit longer, so I feel like it's a little bit more exciting that way because I'm, like, oh, maybe this one (indiscernible) too.

Yeah, it's fun to also be able to have a partner. It's something that we don't really get to play often, and I feel like it's just a fun format and a fun course that's pretty fitting for the tournament.

THE MODERATOR: Yuka, when you guys spoke last night -- I know you had a good round last night -- how did you strategize for today with it being a four-ball format instead of foursomes?

YUKA SASO: Nothing really. Just still to have fun, I guess. I enjoy playing along Celine. It's an honor.

Just to play and have fun. Nothing really who hits first or who doesn't and nothing really with that. So, yeah, just go with what we feel and go with the flow.

CELINE BOUTIER: Yeah.

THE MODERATOR: What was the best part of your strategy maybe yesterday that you're going to take into tomorrow when you move back to foursomes?

CELINE BOUTIER: I think we made really good decisions as far as odd and even tee-off, so I feel like we may stick with that.

And I feel like it's just pretty nice that we were able to get a good start in foursomes because, you know, it's not the easiest format. I feel like just being able to get a good round in that format gives a little bit more confidence going into tomorrow.

THE MODERATOR: It's a delay today with the rain, but you guys still ended on a good birdie there. What did you do during the delay, and how do you sort of stay focused or not focused?

CELINE BOUTIER: I mean, just hang out.

YUKA SASO: We ate a lot.

CELINE BOUTIER: Tough for you. Yeah, just tried to, you know, stay relaxed and not worry too much. I feel like we obviously wanted to get done before the delay.

YUKA SASO: Yeah.

CELINE BOUTIER: It is what it is, and then we were able to finish really strong, and that's the most important.

THE MODERATOR: What do you guys do? You mentioned having fun. What do you guys talk about there on the course that makes this team really fun?

CELINE BOUTIER: I honestly don't know what we talk about. Random stuff.

YUKA SASO: I talk more.

CELINE BOUTIER: Yeah.

THE MODERATOR: You're agreeing that she talks more, though; right?

CELINE BOUTIER: Yeah, probably. Yeah. I'll been trying to get away, and she'll be running back. I'm just joking.

YUKA SASO: I just don't want her to be alone, you know.

THE MODERATOR: Well, that's all, ladies. Thank you so much.



