

LPGA Q-Series

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Magnolia Grove

Heather Lin

Quick Quotes



Q. This is your first round as a professional.

HEATHER LIN: Yes.

Q. Just left University of Oregon.

HEATHER LIN: Yes.

Q. Bogey-free 5-under. Currently tied second, and your caddie told me you hit all 18 greens in regulation.

HEATHER LIN: Yeah.

Q. How are you feeling about today?

HEATHER LIN: Obviously today was pretty challenging to start with. Really cold and really wet. The condition was not very easy.

I was just telling myself to hit all the fairways you can because you have preferred lies and hit all the greens possible and give myself a lot of birdie chances.

That's kind of how I planned like last night of how I'm going to play today. I think I executed pretty well and gave myself a lot of chances out there. I would say I missed a lot of birdie putts still, but I'm happy with how I played today.

Q. For sure. I would say you executed pretty well.

HEATHER LIN: Yeah, pretty consistent.

Q. You mentioned the cold. I saw you this morning very bundled up.

HEATHER LIN: Yeah.

Q. What are some things that help you stay warm and how do the cooler temperatures affect your game, if at all?

HEATHER LIN: I would say playing in Oregon definitely

helps me in this weather, and second stage too the last day was freezing and windy, and that definitely helped prepare in this condition.

Although I wasn't prepared for being this cold, so I bought a lot of stuff here. Bought a lot of like beanie and jacket and vest and like Under Armour underwear, all that. I bought all that over here.

Definitely wear as much as I can, and I bring the hand warmers and try to like -- when I warm up I try to like run around to keep my body warm throughout the round.

Q. Yeah.

HEATHER LIN: Yeah. It's still cold anyway, but try my best.

Q. Yeah. So obviously hit all your greens. You said you missed some birdie putts. What are some things that stood out about your game today?

HEATHER LIN: I would say my iron shots. I was talking to my caddie. I hit some different shape of shots, and I think that's very helpful in these windy situation or when the conditions were tough, and that helps me be more comfortable when I'm -- when there is tricky pin positions.

Yeah, I think that's what stood out today, yeah.

Q. We did mention University of Oregon. How did your time in college help you prepare you for this next step in your career?

HEATHER LIN: It's everything. I think like going to play college golf, I finished all four years at Oregon and we have such a great team and coaches and great culture at Oregon.

The coaches, Coach D, his wife, Sara played on tour for a little bit, so he gave me a lot of advice. And Coach Mo was national champion. She was really good. Being with them definitely helps.

And our team is really competitive and everyone works



really hard. Yeah, really good chemistry and they always -- like before playing this week, they all sent me messages and gave me advice or how to prepare this kind of big stage, next stage for me.

I think that was very, very helpful. Just the athletic department in Oregon in general, it's a very good sports school I would say, so seeing other athletes being successful, that definitely helped me prepare mentally.

Q. Is there any advice that stood out to you that you carried into this week?

HEATHER LIN: I would say like stay in the present. I think throughout college I was really looking forward to play professionally one day and I wasn't really focusing on what I was supposed to be doing at that stage.

My senior year I was just, you know, really enjoying my last year in college and see what happens after. Not really trying to push forward and just work hard every day and like try to get better every day.

I think that's, yeah, that's become very helpful.

Q. Yeah.

HEATHER LIN: Yeah.

Q. And final question: Finished pretty early. First group off at 7:30.

HEATHER LIN: Yeah.

Q. What are the plans for the rest of the day?

HEATHER LIN: Definitely have lunch first. You can ask my caddie, I eat throughout the entire round, especially in this cold. I try to stay full and stay energetic throughout the round.

I probably will go eat first and do some putting as well. Get used to the green speed. I would be guessing it will be faster throughout the day since the weather is getting nicer. I'll definitely want to get the speed down a little more.

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