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Mariah Stackhouse

Quick Quotes

Q. First, to start off with your round, you had seven birdies.

MARIAH STACKHOUSE: Yeah.

Q. And a double bogey in there.

MARIAH STACKHOUSE: Yeah.

Q. How do you kind of get yourself back up after a double bogey and just keep yourself reminded that there is two weeks and a lot to look forward to?

MARIAH STACKHOUSE: Yeah, yeah, you know, I think especially hitting the ball like I hit it today, the double bogey didn't jar me that much. It was more shocking. I feel like par-3s are probably the strongest part of my game; even if I don't make the birdies I have an opportunity.

So I think in the holes before that I think I had had maybe -- all of my putts had been inside 15 feet except for one, for like the seven or so holes before that, so I was just really in a zone and in a groove, and I hit it, and it was just kind of like, what? And I looked at my brother and I just chuckled. I was like, that came out of nowhere.

So at that point you just to recover, hit the recovery shot as close as possible, try to get a bogey and get gone. Ended up with a double and then just put myself on the wrong side of the pin on the next hole. Followed that up with a bogey.

Thank goodness I had it to give. I was still 2-under for the day, so my goal after that was just to get back to 4, which I was able to do.

And all in all, it's disappointing that that could have been a 7-under, but honestly could have been way more. Missed quite a few short putts just burning the edge, lipping out.

So all in all, it was a great ball striking day. Good day overall. Solid. I'm just going to keep going with that.



Q. And then like you said, you were able to get back to 4-under. Impressive, especially with it being such a long tournament round for today. How did it feel walking off that last green?

MARIAH STACKHOUSE: Yeah, I made a 30-footer. That was probably the longest putt of the week so far, and that felt great. I looked at my brother and I joked, I said, well, that will makes us feel a little more better, just kind of joking.

But, yeah, it's just stuff like that happens. It's golf. I'm always grateful when I recover well.

Q. And then into the just bio questions. So can you tell me where you went to school to play college golf?

MARIAH STACKHOUSE: Stanford.

Q. Thank you. What is your career-best finish and/or your biggest accomplishment in golf so far?

MARIAH STACKHOUSE: Career-best finish, well, my career-low round I shot 10-under, 61 at Stanford when I was a freshman for a fall event. Probably one of the highlights of my golf career. I shot 9-under on the front nine that round, so that was pretty awesome.

And then bouncing back to clinch the final points for us at NCAAs my junior year was awesome.

Q. You answered my next question for me, which was career-best round. Why did you decide to pursue professional golf as a career and why do you keep going out there and playing?

MARIAH STACKHOUSE: Yeah, I played golf since I was two years old, and, you know, I think you both fall in love with a thing and it becomes, you know, just what you do after a point. I think that's just kind of the progression.

And, you know, professional golf is tough, so it's like you have your ins and outs of actually being in love with the game, but it still feels like just a deeply engrained part of -- not necessarily my identity, but my life and kind of what I

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do and my focus and my mission.

So even when it's great, you feel like this is exactly what I'm supposed to be doing. When it's not, you know this is still where I'm supposed to be and we'll find our way back.

Q. Awesome. And what are your hobbies outside of golf? What do you like to do to leave it on the course and be separate once you're not...

MARIAH STACKHOUSE: Yeah, when I'm at home I like to hang out with my friends as much as possible. Also kind of, you know, being an introvert I also like to spend as much time in my house just enjoying my company.

Love to like go to brunch on the weekends or do Taco Tuesdays with my mom during the off weeks. It's kind of our time to hang out and she's definitely one of my best buds, too.

And then during the tournament, you know, it's funny. I'm actually trying to find like a routine off the course. I feel like I get done with the round, then I go home and I'm like, okay, let me get done everything I need to get done for tomorrow so I can relax.

Bedtime always comes too fast and I almost never relax like I want to in the afternoons. So I'm going to figure that out. I need to get a better...

Q. You need a resolution. You got it.

MARIAH STACKHOUSE: I need to have like at least an hour of just chill time before I go to bed. Like last night I was like, I'm going to get everything done, and I wanted to get in the bed at 9:30. Next thing I know it's 8:10. Well, I don't want to watch a show now because that's going to wire me up and I'm not going to be able to go to sleep.

So figuring that out.

Q. Do you have a favorite brunch spot or do you prefer to make it?

MARIAH STACKHOUSE: No, I definitely don't prefer to make it. I cook myself breakfast, but cooking is not fun for me. Couple of my besties at home are like super brunch foodies, so they have all the spots. I just go wherever is suggested, yeah.

Q. And then if you weren't a professional golfer what did you think you would be doing?

MARIAH STACKHOUSE: I'd probably be, I don't know, somewhere in the business space or the law space, NIL

arena.

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