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Pauline Roussin

Quick Quotes



Q. All right, I am here with Pauline after her second round at Q-Series. A solid 7-under today. What can you say clicked with your round, with your game today?

PAULINE ROUSSIN: The putting. Yeah, I had -- I wasn't too -- I mean, I was close on a couple shots with a couple wedges, but then the rest was just like six meter putts, seven meter putts that I did well; I'll put it that way.

Q. Is there something in particular about the Crossings course that suits your eye with the greens?

PAULINE ROUSSIN: I mean, I like the greens. They are very similar to what I used to have at South Carolina, at the university. I've been practicing on this grasses for the fast couple days; same in South Carolina.

And then it's pretty wide off the tee, which really helps.

Q. Yes. Always. So you played very well here in 2021. Do you think that really helped your confidence coming into this week?

PAULINE ROUSSIN: I mean, sure it did. Honestly from what I remember from that week, those two weeks, I remember the course way tighter off the tee and way more just different from two years ago.

I guess, yes, it helps that I know that I have good memories, let's put it that way, so it puts good vibes in the mix.

Q. We love good vibes.

PAULINE ROUSSIN: Yes.

Q. And so we're at the end of the year here, end of 2023. How would you describe this year playing on tour?

PAULINE ROUSSIN: Tough.

Q. Tough.

PAULINE ROUSSIN: It was a tough year. It was a tough year. Obviously like I had my full card and I have to play these six days to earn it back, so honestly the last couple of weeks have been way better, and I think I'm on the right slope now, like the upward slope.

It was just a grind to get there, and obviously I don't think I'm -- yes, I'm out of the woods, but I think they're close behind me, so I'm really focusing on what's happening right now and just keep enjoying myself and keep it very simple.

Q. Yeah. And how do you remain positive throughout this year? You seem like a very positive person. You mentioned how tough it is. How do you remain positive?

PAULINE ROUSSIN: Honestly, I haven't been always positive. It's like because every time I was getting positive and pumped up and every time was like even harder to get back because the slap was even harder in the face.

So I was surrounded by the right people. Obviously my parents, my team, and my boyfriend especially, because he was the one helping me take the tears away and wiping them out, especially after Pelican.

And, you know, it's just I'm reading a couple books that are helping me keep a better mindset, and honestly, seeing Amy Yang win at CME and she's an amazing player, like she's so inspiring, and so I kind of think about the way she plays and the way she handles herself.

She's just the best.

Q. Have you got a chance to talk to her since?

PAULINE ROUSSIN: Yes. We're good friends. I have her caddie on the bag this week.

Q. Yeah. Awesome.

PAULINE ROUSSIN: So we have good vibes. He's pretty chill.



Q. Yeah. And you also won on the LET this year.

PAULINE ROUSSIN: Yeah.

Q. What do you think that win did for your confidence as well?

PAULINE ROUSSIN: Well, it seems like it was long ago and very, very far, because after that win it just went downward. So, yes, it's like I don't know how to explain it, but obviously it's the A-game and that's where I want to go back more often.

Basically, this year taught me how to get back to that. Made mistakes and learned a lot in all that, but the feeling of playing like I did in Singapore, I missed it. And rounds like this one really feel a little bit like Singapore.

Again, different times, different player.

Q. Right. You had a smile on your face when you walked off the greens.

PAULINE ROUSSIN: Yes.

Q. That's awesome. Anything in particular you'll work on on the range?

PAULINE ROUSSIN: My 5-iron has been a little bit annoying, so I'm going to have a chat with him and hit some balls with it.

Honestly keep doing some putting and driving, and then maybe some boxing afterwards because my trainer is here. We been training hard.

Q. Awesome. Is that maybe how you let out some...

PAULINE ROUSSIN: Yes. It's just nice to have something else outside the golf circle and someone to talk to who is not too much in the golf bubble like a coach or someone too close, like a boyfriend.

It's just like a nice perspective to have, and all the training we have been doing has been honestly really beneficial and it puts me in a really right state of mind.

Q. And do you just do boxing with your trainer?

PAULINE ROUSSIN: No, we do all the workouts that go with it. Obviously weight lifting stuff. But I kind of grew up in martial arts as well, so he helps me maintain that. Yeah, he's a former MMA fighter as well.