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Nanna Koerstz Madsen

Quick Quotes

Q. Here with 54-hole leader, Nanna Koerstz Madsen. Playing good golf right now. What, five, six birdies on the card today. Another day of 29 putts. Take us through your round out there.

NANNA KOERSTZ MADSEN: Yeah, played pretty good out there. I had some tee shot that wasn't very good. I got to go to the range to figure that out for tomorrow.

But, yeah, only made the mistakes on 7 and 8, but bounced back really quick from that, so pretty solid round.

Q. What does that tell you about yourself that you can make a bogey and then a double and bounce back with two birdies? That shows a lot of growth.

NANNA KOERSTZ MADSEN: Well, it does tell me that I've come a long way. Normally I probably would've freaked out after that 8. I was not happy with my double bogey on 8, but I knew there was a lot of chances out there on the back nine as well.

So I just got to continue doing what I was doing. I was still hitting good shots. I just made two bad shots, and that's what happens.

Q. What are you telling yourself now versus what you probably would've told yourself last year when those situations arise?

NANNA KOERSTZ MADSEN: I'm really just trying to still stay positive after a hole like that. Nicki is helping me out there. But, yeah, just trying keep the game going and stay positive, yeah.

Q. So second tournament in a row here in this position again. You've got to be feeling good, have some confidence even more so. We've talked about the win in Thailand all week. What does that bring in you as you head into tomorrow with the lead?

NANNA KOERSTZ MADSEN: Well, I do think it'll be easier



going into tomorrow with a lead than it was in Thailand, but still going in with a lead you still want to win, so you still have all excitement in your body that you got control tomorrow.

I don't know how many I'm leading with -- three? But three can change over two holes.

So, yeah, I still have to do my stuff, and then we'll see what happens tomorrow.

Q. So you're on the fairway on 18 and you see what An is going through up in front of you. Were you sympathetic? What were you thinking at that time? Because you've been there.

NANNA KOERSTZ MADSEN: I been there many times.

Q. Right.

NANNA KOERSTZ MADSEN: Actually I didn't know who it was, who was in trouble. I knew there was someone who was in the left but I didn't know what was really going on, could she get a relief, whatever. I didn't really pay attention to it.

I don't like to be waiting too long to hit over water, which I did on 8, so I was actually trying to look the a little way and talk a little bit with Nicki.

Yeah, I wasn't really paying attention to what went on on the green.

Q. Other than just that it was delaying what you needed to do.

NANNA KOERSTZ MADSEN: Yeah.

Q. And those kind of situations, like you said when that's going on, let's not stand here and have to hit this shot over water. How do you take your mind off it?

NANNA KOERSTZ MADSEN: Yeah, well, I just turn my back to the water, because if I'm standing there looking five minutes for the water I'm just going to look more and more



at that water.

You cannot do that. So, yeah, I turn the other way around. I talk to Nicki a little bit, and, yeah.

Q. Having been in this situation again a couple weeks ago and now you have another chance at a win, what would it mean to you to get two wins so quickly?

NANNA KOERSTZ MADSEN: That would be really cool. Yeah, it will tell me that I'm -- I belong here, I belong in the winner's circle. It wasn't just one time.

So it will give me, yeah, a lot mentally.

Q. Heading into 2022, obviously Solheim Cup you played pretty well. What's been so validating for you? Seems like you're playing -- you seem like a whole new Nanna, like a whole new level of confidence. Even before Thailand. You seem more comfortable with yourself.

NANNA KOERSTZ MADSEN: I do think before I was chasing a lot the birdies. I have changed my game plan a little bit the way I hit into the greens. Nicki is in charge of that actually. I just hit the shot. He tells me exactly where I should hit the ball.

Just the mentality of not being too aggressive, going after everything, and it's okay to have a seven meter putt. Sometimes that's good enough. And then you go for the pin wherever you can, obviously.

So, yeah, I think my game plan, the way I play a course has changed a little bit and obviously I have for confidence.

The British Open was really a good experience for me. I think after the British Open I really wanted to put myself in that position again, so I worked very hard to get there again.

Worked very hard this winter, this off-season. Yeah, I think I just really wanted to get back there. Yeah.

Q. How do you, tonight, rest, reset, get yourself ready to go tomorrow and treat it like another round?

NANNA KOERSTZ MADSEN: Well, I got to go to the range just to hit a few tee shots, and then when I go back I'm just going to foam roll a little bit and then do what I'm usually doing, have some dinner and then go to bed, and then I'll be ready for tomorrow.

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