

The Chevron Championship

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The Woodlands, Texas, USA

The Club at Carlton Woods

Carlota Ciganda

Quick Quotes

Q. Here with Carlota after the third round of the Chevron Championship. Can you talk about today for you?

CARLOTA CIGANDA: Yeah, yeah, I felt I played pretty good. Had a soft bogey on 5 but then made a good birdie on 8, and then the back nine, two birdies, no bogeys, very happy. I thought it was playing quite tricky out there, especially with some of the pins. A little gusty, the wind, as well. I think under par on this course is always good, and I'm happy I have a chance tomorrow.

Q. What are your thoughts on the three rounds overall and what you've been doing? A lot of pars today to put yourself in contention.

CARLOTA CIGANDA: Yeah, I really like this course. I think it sets up very good for my game. It's playing long, it's playing soft, so I really like that. I've played good here the last couple years. I always have good memories coming here. But yeah, I think you have to be very patient out there. Some tricky pins. Yeah, it's a major championship, so you have that pressure and you want to do well, but I'm excited for tomorrow.

Q. You have so many Top-5 and Top-10 finishes in majors. What do you draw on from those performances to keep you steady tomorrow?

CARLOTA CIGANDA: Yeah, I think it's important to be patient out there. I think I have birdies on me, so I think just play smart golf, play a good strategy like these days, and hopefully I can play good the par-5s and make a few birdies to be up there.

Q. We know how strong your ball-striking is, just looking at your stats. How much have you leaned on your tee-to-green stuff this week?

CARLOTA CIGANDA: Yeah, I think major championships, the more greens you can hit, it's always good because something around par, a couple under, it's a great score. So I do think a lot about hitting greens out here. Obviously



fairways, as well, but for me, hitting greens is really important, and yeah, this week I've been playing very solid.

Q. We've seen you near the top of a lot of major championship leaderboards. What is it about the style of golf that brings out the best in you?

CARLOTA CIGANDA: I like a good mental challenge. I like when it's tough. I really like when it's difficult and hard. I think that's what major championships do to you. You have to be patient. You have to be -- they test you everything, your game, your mental, your patience, your attitude, so I really enjoy that challenge.

Q. Given that experience that you have, what can you learn from those close calls in the past that can help you here tomorrow?

CARLOTA CIGANDA: Yeah, I think being patient out there and going just one shot at a time. There are some good players out there, but I'm just going to focus on my game, my plan, and hopefully that's good enough.

Q. How are you doing physically? Were you dealing with an injury after Match Play?

CARLOTA CIGANDA: Yeah, I had a pinched nerve going down my arm, so I took a couple weeks off, and yeah, it's been -- this week it's been fine, thanks to my physio who's been doing a great job. Yeah, the older you get, the more pain you feel in your body, but I've been fine, and hopefully I can keep playing for a while.

Q. Which arm was it?

CARLOTA CIGANDA: Left.

Q. Do you know what caused it?

CARLOTA CIGANDA: I mean, I think 30 years of playing golf and hitting balls and practicing. I think that's probably what it is.

Q. What sort of treatments do you have to go through to keep it from acting up?



CARLOTA CIGANDA: Lots of rest and physical therapy and maybe practice less, play less, which I don't love because I really enjoy playing. But yeah, I think just taking it a little bit more easy and maybe take a few weeks off and just resting more and physical therapy.

Q. How much does the drive to win a major still motivate you?

CARLOTA CIGANDA: I mean, that's why I play golf. I would love to win that major not only for me but for Spain, for my country. It would be amazing. That's why I wake up every morning, to keep working hard, to practice. I love playing golf but especially majors. I really love it.

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