

# Hanwha LIFEPLUS International Crown

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**Minjee Lee**

**Hannah Green**

**Sarah Kemp**

**Steph Kyriacou**

Quick Quotes

**Q. What a morning, ladies. It was a heck of a performance out there from everyone on the team. Kempy, you said it earlier in the week and I keep coming back to this. The question was are we underdogs. Clearly not. You're playing in the finals. What does it mean as the oldest member of this team to get it done for Australia and play so well?**

SARAH KEMP: It's huge. I'll say it again. I'm not really surprised with -- not in a cocky way, just because of the way we are around each other and the team that we've built from the beginning. We've had lunch together, we've had breakfast together every day, we've had dinner together, we do everything together, and we've just come together really well, and it's paying off as you can see on the course.

In that aspect, I'm not surprised that we're all playing so well.

**Q. Minjee, you really walked that final putt in on the last to close that out. How were you and Kempy able to manage the alternate shot format so well?**

MINJEE LEE: Yeah, I think we did really well today. I hit some really nice shots; Kempy hit some really nice shots. Some of them we were just given the putt, and we holed a couple good ones, too, to get up. I think we just had really good flow and just worked really well.

**Q. What was the reaction when that final putt dropped and the match was over?**

SARAH KEMP: Excitement.



MINJEE LEE: Yeah.

SARAH KEMP: Although she may not look like it, she's excited. This is cool, calm and collected, and this is "let's go! "

**Q. Hannah and Steph went out in singles today. Steph, you closed yours out early against a really top-tier match play player in Anna. What was it like to get that win and play against somebody of that caliber and do as well as you did?**

STEPH KYRIACOU: Yeah, it was really good to get the first win. I think it kind of helps the girls when they see a point for us on the board. Might motivate them a little bit.

But yeah, Anna is a really good player, major winner, lots of Solheim Cups, so I knew it wasn't going to be easy. But yeah, kind of just got a couple early birdies and then kept the momentum going from there.

**Q. What was the mindset heading into that match? Were you just going to be attacking all day, or was it kind of like let's sit back and see what she does and then go?**

STEPH KYRIACOU: Yeah, foot on the pedal kind of stuff. Straight in there.

I think I play my best when I'm aggressive, and in match play you only need to beat one person so there's not as much pressure. But yeah, I played pretty aggressive all day. All week actually.

**Q. Hannah, I saw you and Steph share a little hug there on 16 tee before you went up and closed your match out. How proud are you of your team this week?**

HANNAH GREEN: Yeah, this is the best result we've had as a team in this event, so I'm super proud of the girls. I almost felt like I was letting them down because they were so up in their matches today, and I knew Caroline is obviously a great match play competitor, too.

We obviously still have this afternoon, so as excited as we are right now to make the final, it's still going to be a tough beat. I think it's looking like we might play Thailand, and



obviously we got defeated by them yesterday.

Maybe with a different format today might help us a little bit, but I think we're going to go get some coffee and then get ready for this afternoon.

**Q. Did yesterday's play kind of light a fire under you guys and really get you all motivated to come out and do what you did this morning, and will you carry that to this potential final?**

HANNAH GREEN: I think so. I think it was a little bit different because we were already guaranteed into the final. Not that we weren't trying hard enough, but it didn't really make a difference to today's result.

I think we had a really early night last night, got some good food, and I slept really well. Hopefully you guys did, too. We knew today was going to be a big one. I think we've done everything that we needed to do to prepare for today.

**Q. Looking ahead to this afternoon, how do you reset, calm yourselves back down, and get ready to play some more great golf?**

SARAH KEMP: I think we're going to leave the course and have a little bit of outside time for us just for maybe an hour and a bit, come back and just do the same -- our normal warmups and just keep everything exactly the same.

I think maybe leaving this atmosphere for an hour and a bit may get us a little mental break, and then we'll come back and tackle this afternoon.

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