

TOTO Japan Classic

Friday, November 3, 2023

Omitama, Ibaraki, Japan

Taihelyo Club Minori Course

Nasa Hataoka

Quick Quotes

Q. Okay, Nasa, you're right now in the co-lead in your home country of Japan. How are you feeling about your round today?

NASA HATAOKA: I'm very happy I shoot 6-under today. I played good today.

Q. What was good about your game? Is it still the putter today, or was something else working as well?

NASA HATAOKA: Still my putting was good, but my tee shot was only six time hit on the fairway, so I need to improve long game.

Q. What is it about your putter that has been working? Have you been practicing anything?

NASA HATAOKA: I just focus on start line and speed control.

Q. Awesome. Of all your birdies today, any stand out? What was your best birdie today?

NASA HATAOKA: I think on 7, par-3. Almost hole in one.

Q. Almost hole in one?

NASA HATAOKA: Yeah.

Q. What club?

NASA HATAOKA: I hit 7.

Q. 7-iron?

NASA HATAOKA: Yes.

Q. So just a tap-in?

NASA HATAOKA: It's a about three feet.

Q. Okay.



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NASA HATAOKA: Short.

Q. Any other good birdies?

NASA HATAOKA: I think back nine I made two birdie on par-5s. It was really good.

Q. I know you live nearby. How familiar are you with this course?

NASA HATAOKA: I play couple times. My home course is right next to this golf course, like ten minutes from here, so very similar golf course. I have practice a lot this area.

Q. When you heard that you would be coming back here, were you excited when you heard that we would play on this course?

NASA HATAOKA: Yeah, of course. This weekend my friends and family more coming so I will do my best.

Q. What's the goal for tomorrow?

NASA HATAOKA: Still same. I'm going to focus on my game.

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