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Q. What's it like for you this time around facing the Dodgers in the LCS in your own backyard? And facing Glasnow today, is there some sort of different approach against him that maybe you did not have against Yamamoto?

CHRISTIAN YELICH: Yeah, I mean, it's always great to be back here. A lot of good memories from the 2018 year, the last time we were here in the LCS, playing these guys, playing at home.

Glas, obviously a great pitcher, really good stuff. Faced him a couple of times this year, faced him throughout our career.

Just gotta get some traffic on the bases, get some guys on base, try to string together and quality at-bats, which we really haven't been able to do the first two games. But still a lot to play in this series. And we get this one today, you feel a lot better where you're at position-wise.

Q. You may have seen Shohei Ohtani took BP on the field yesterday and it caused a big stir. You also don't often hit BP on the field. How do you pick those times to do it? And did you think about it in this series, with just trying to get the bat going?

CHRISTIAN YELICH: I didn't see that he hit on the field. I haven't been on the social medias in a few weeks. But, look, I feel like you can work on more stuff like in the cage. It's more like a controlled environment. You can do more drill stuff. You can slow it down a little bit and really get good work in.

That's why I do it. When you hit on the field BP it's just overhand kind of throwing it. If you want to see the sight lines at a new stadium or something, or just get loose, I think it's great.

But you have a lot more tools at your disposal in the cage.



I've just come up with a good routine in there that I like to do, myself and Connor like to do. And that's why I do it. There's less distractions. And it's kind of just been what I felt comfortable with over the last few years.

Q. It seems like the sun is going to be a factor here this afternoon. You've played here before. What challenge is it like to play in this park, and how do you have to adjust kind of, so to speak?

CHRISTIAN YELICH: It's part of the postseason. Sometimes you have odd start times for games just based on the TV schedule. And shadows aren't a great favorable hitting environment, but both teams have got to deal with them. And you've just got to find a way, right?

We're used to it. We've got shadows at home sometimes. It's gotten better this year with kind of how they've closed half the roof.

But really what the shadows do, it's just kind of hard to pick up spin on the ball sometimes. It's like a dark object coming at you. It's not our first time playing the shadow game and both teams have to deal with it, like I said. It's finding a way to win and doing what you have to do to come out on top.

Q. You guys had the best road record in baseball this year. What went into that success? Is there anything you can lean on from that for games 3 and 4?

CHRISTIAN YELICH: It's just playing the games. Whether it's home or away, it's still a baseball game. And it's going out and executing it and playing well. I think that's why we had success this year on the road was we just did our thing. We knew what makes us successful, and you go out there and do it.

It's the same dimensions on both fields, whether it's home or away, just kind of different crowd noises. The new environment is fine for us, and we've got hopefully three big games here.

Q. There's a lot being made in this series about seeing a reliever multiple times through. Obviously with Ash



pitching every day and Abner pitching every day and other guys from your team. Just from your experience and facing other teams and their relievers multiple times, is that a real thing in such a short series? And just what's your experience with that?

CHRISTIAN YELICH: I mean, that's also part of the postseason, where you know in these long series that you're going to match up with a lot of the same guys and a lot of those same relievers are the ones they target up against you; you end up getting all 12 bats off a guy.

You try to make adjustments based on how they approached you or you kind of think about the at-bat, whether it went good or bad and, all right, this is the adjustment I need to make against this guy; this is how they attacked me. This is what I need to do.

And that's really throughout the entire series and the playoffs is how all the pitchers attack you, how the teams attack you, what you want to do and how you can continue to make adjustments. It's a game within the game thing of postseason baseball.

Q. You talked after Game 2 about some of your struggles recently in that you'd be maybe adjusting or tweaking during the off day. Did you make any adjustments? Did you see anything that you might have missed when you were at the plate?

CHRISTIAN YELICH: Yeah, I mean, look, it's not ideal, right, to not be feeling great at the plate. But that's also baseball season. You have a couple game stretches where things aren't going your way, you're not feeling your best, you have to make tweaks and adjustments to get things going.

It's magnified obviously in the postseason, but you're still dealing with that stuff all the time during the regular season, and you're always one swing away, one at-bat away, one moment away from getting that at-bat and changing how you kind of feel about the series, really, and hopefully we've got a lot of games left and can continue to build. That's really our team.

It's like you continue to fight, try to keep getting better, try to get things going. That's how you have to look at it, how I look at it. It's the game of baseball, and you always have to stay positive and think like the next great moment is just right around the corner.

Q. How is your health at this particular point in time? Can you rule out the back being any part of what's going on?

CHRISTIAN YELICH: Yeah, we're all good. You go through those stretches. It's unfortunate that it's at this time. Nobody wants it to be that way. But I have faith that I'm going to come out of it, start playing better, start hitting better.

I've had three-game stretches, three-, four-game stretches during the season where it hasn't gone my way and you come right back out of it.

Health-wise I'm good to go, feel fine. Had a good off day yesterday, got some good work in. Going to go get some more good work in today after this, and looking forward to getting out there later today.

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