Hero Dubai Desert Classic

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Li Haotong

Press Conference

Q. Four birdies and one bogey in a round of 69. How do you feel about your day's work?

LI HAOTONG: Well, played really, really solid the whole day from the first hole. Just except 17 was a little bit off on the wedge shot and also 18 on the second. Pretty good day so far.

Q. How much do you enjoy being backup there in the mix in a big tournament like?

LI HAOTONG: Definitely. Actually I felt like this six years ago, super comfortable, super confident and looking forward to play Sunday.

Q. How quickly do the good memories return and the good feelings, the confidence, the belief when you hit golf shots and see some putts go in? How quickly does that confidence come back?

LI HAOTONG: I think it's all because wintertime I play a lot of money games with my mates and coaches.

Q. Did you win?

LI HAOTONG: I win some. Not much. But definitely that helps, and also, the momentum is from last week and also just make you felt super comfortable to play the shot. And actually don't even feeling that rusty, especially those tough years, and you found more appreciation now.

Q. How much can you draw on the fact that you won here in 2018, holding off Rory McIlroy and Tyrrell Hatton down the stretch tomorrow where you have another chance to win?

LI HAOTONG: Hopefully I can get close and take another trophy back home.

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