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Westchester Country Club

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Quick Quotes

Q. Got into the field two days ago.

ANEKA SEUMANUTAFATA: Yeah.

Q. Where were you when they gave you a call?

ANEKA SEUMANUTAFATA: I was actually at practice.

Q. At practice at --

ANEKA SEUMANUTAFATA: In Maryland. Yeah, so it was a four-hour drive from here, not too bad. Once I got the call I came straight up here the next day.

Q. What kind of emotion was there when you got that call to get in, because I know how important this is to you?

ANEKA SEUMANUTAFATA: Yeah, it really means a lot, especially coming from the east coast. Getting that call I was just like shocked. Then John called me and I was like, Oh, God, yes. I was so excited. I'm so excited to be here and proud to represent the east coast.

Q. Obviously you were in the Women's Open so you have an idea what tough setups are like and you played this before.

ANEKA SEUMANUTAFATA: Yeah.

Q. What were the conditions like out there today? Seems like it was a perfect day to play.

ANEKA SEUMANUTAFATA: Yeah, very perfect. It was very windy today. It made the course a little bit more difficult. It's always playing difficult as is with the pin placements and the rough, but just keeping it in the fairway and trying to hit greens. These greens are tough as it is, but I stayed pretty even today.

Q. Yeah.



ANEKA SEUMANUTAFATA: I was having a little trouble coming in swing-wise but trusted my progress and, yeah, so...

Q. You played even par I think on the back, right, after shooting 2-under on the front?

ANEKA SEUMANUTAFATA: Yeah, yeah, I did. Like I said, I just hit fairways, hit greens. I didn't really give or take away much. Whatever the course would give me, that's what I would take, and I wouldn't really do much with it, and I was just play even.

Q. How many practice rounds were you able to get on the golf course?

ANEKA SEUMANUTAFATA: One which was --

Q. Yesterday.

ANEKA SEUMANUTAFATA: -- yesterday.

Q. So you got here late Saturday afternoon to practice?

ANEKA SEUMANUTAFATA: I actually got in yesterday morning. Yeah, we left home around 5:00 and got here around 9:00.

Q. So one practice round was enough to give you an idea?

ANEKA SEUMANUTAFATA: Yeah, that's all in college you have is only one practice round, so I was fine with it.

Q. How important is this week to you? Obviously Curtis Cup is coming up. Now getting in this field gives you a chance to give you another spot on your resume.

ANEKA SEUMANUTAFATA: Yeah, for sure. I'm not really thinking too far ahead right now. I'm just taking it day by day and not trying to -- I know there is Curtis Cup coming up, but I'm just trying to take one shot as one shot and one day as one day.

Q. Is this your fourth?



ANEKA SEUMANUTAFANA: I think it's my fifth.

Q. You played -- I know you played Portland.

ANEKA SEUMANUTAFANA: I played Portland, I played Mississippi, I played the one in Maryland. So, yeah, fourth.

Q. Fourth.

ANEKA SEUMANUTAFANA: Uh-huh.

Q. How old were you played in Portland? You were like 14, right?

ANEKA SEUMANUTAFANA: I think I was 14. Yeah.

Q. Have you made match play? You've made match play before.

ANEKA SEUMANUTAFANA: I made match play, yeah, all four years.

Q. All four years. You're in good position for that this year.

ANEKA SEUMANUTAFANA: Thank you.

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