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Pine Needles Lodge and Golf Club

Ingrid Lindblad

Quick Quotes



Q. Ingrid Lindblad, even par 72. Can you talk us through your round today?

INGRID LINDBLAD: Started off with a birdie, just like yesterday, and then I bogeyed my second hole, just like yesterday.

It was -- yesterday I hit it a little closer. Made a few more shorter -- not super short putts for birdies, but shorter putts for birdies, and today it was more like 30 feet and two-putt.

Kind of tried to just -- trying to miss it on the right side of the pin so you give yourself a lot of green to work with.

It was just -- it was kind of -- I missed a few tee shots and that kind of cost me, but made birdies on all the par-5s which helped.

Q. You weren't able to replicate yesterday's magic, but you're still in a great position, so what's the strategy going into the weekend?

INGRID LINDBLAD: I think you're just going to have to follow your game plan. Not try to focus a lot on what's going on outside your game.

That's kind of what I've been trying to do this week, but it's hard with all the leaderboards you see everywhere. Just trying to focus on your game and not change your game plan.

Q. I want to know important stuff like how many text messages did you get last night? What was it like for you?

INGRID LINDBLAD: It was kind of hard not to scroll on Twitter and Instagram, so this morning I actually turned my notifications off on Instagram and Twitter.

I feel like when I'm going to go in now on Twitter and Instagram, it's going to be a lot. Got a few text messages. Mostly from my teammates or coaches and everything, but it's fun, but it's really hard because you get really distracted

by it.

Q. I understand you had a little homework this morning or a test or something. What did you do to kill time?

INGRID LINDBLAD: Well, I have an assignment due tonight that I tried to finish, and I actually asked my professor for an extension because it's due -- I guess it's due at 1:00 a.m. because it's Central Time, so it's due at midnight, but I have a quiz that I'm trying to get 38 out of 38 on, but I only have a 37 out of 38.

I think I'm going to leave it. (Laughing).

Q. What's the project or paper? What is it on that's due?

INGRID LINDBLAD: It's a summer class, so it's kind of intense. It's a sport law class, which reading that as a second language is kind of hard, but I had a quiz and it's on like Title 9 and ADA and things like that.

And then I have some two discussion questions left that I have to submit.

Q. Were there any text messages that you got that you took to heart as you came into the round today?

INGRID LINDBLAD: Well, my assistant coach, Alexis Rather, she's always so sweet. She's, like, you've put a lot of work into this, a lot of hours. She's, like, I'm not surprised you're there, whenever she texts me. I like, yeah.

Q. What did it mean to get that from her?

INGRID LINDBLAD: Well, she's like my second mom I feel at LSU. She's doing a lot outside that we don't really recognize. Like when we're away at tournaments and things like that. She's really special.

Q. You talked about not only the challenges managing the course and everything outside, but you're playing with Annika.

INGRID LINDBLAD: Yeah.

Q. The world No. 1 is in the group in front of you. How do you balance all of that, and how did you overcome that challenge?

INGRID LINDBLAD: Well, as I said yesterday on the first tee box when I got her scorecard, I'm, like, I have Annika's scorecard. On the course you don't focus a lot about it, but a lot of people are, like, oh, good job, Annika. We love to have you back.

That's kind of hard because like I feel like I played good, but no one said that to me. You just have to focus on yourself and your own game and not get too distracted by other things.

Q. Did you wish you had a hat when it started raining pretty hard?

INGRID LINDBLAD: Not really. I had my umbrella. It wasn't raining that bad. It was fine.

Q. You seem to be handling this all just so well, but what have the emotions been like for you over these last two days?

INGRID LINDBLAD: Well, yesterday I don't think I ever realized what happened. It was just when I got back to the hotel I'm, like, well, this is pretty good.

I don't think I realize how big it is. It's like whenever you come to a big amateur tournament, like when I played Augusta for the first time last year I was, like, I don't realize how big this is until you get there and all the attention you get.

Q. I remember you telling me earlier this year how you like to watch your highlights. Especially in '15 at Augusta National, that incredible shot. Did you watch any of your highlights last night?

INGRID LINDBLAD: Not as much as I watched that shot, but, yeah, it's kind of hard to not look at it. Oh, LPGA tagged you on something on Instagram. It's kind of hard not to look at it, but yeah.

Q. It's fun, right?

INGRID LINDBLAD: Yeah. It's like I did that.

Thank you.

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