

U.S. Women's Open

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Nelly Korda

Flash Interview



THE MODERATOR: Nelly Korda, best finish in a Women's Open. What are you going to take away from this week?

NELLY KORDA: Definitely played pretty well today. Just didn't see any of my putts really drop on the back nine. If anything, kind of made a silly three-putt, but then bounced back with a nice birdie.

Yeah, it was just my -- not much to say other than it does sting to come up short, but at the end of the day, the work that I've been putting in, especially throughout the start of the season, to test it on conditions like the U.S. Women's Open where you're tested mentally, you're testing your game in every department, and to play pretty solid golf shows that I've been working hard. I'll continue doing that and hopefully trend in the correct direction.

Q. Why is it that you think your relationship with this particular major is complicated?

NELLY KORDA: I don't know. This is -- obviously I played this event when I was 14 years old, so maybe a little bit more emotional about it. I mean, definitely it's gotten my heart broken a couple times, especially last year with coming off the season I was coming off of. To have that showing last year definitely put a dagger into my heart, but that's just golf.

You're going to lose more than you win a majority of the time. I feel like I actually learn a lot about myself and my game and where I need to improve playing the U.S. Women's Open because it does test every part of your game.

Maybe just a little bit of disappointment when like obviously golfers, a lot of us, are perfectionists. So when I come out here and a golf course dominates you the way it does, it's never a nice feeling.

But it's also super motivating. Yeah, it's definitely motivating to see where my game's at, but hopefully I can continue trending in the right direction for a long season ahead.

Q. After every round you've talked a little bit about missed putts or those not falling for you. Was that ultimately what prevented you from getting to the number you wanted to get to, just not being able to make enough throughout the four rounds?

NELLY KORDA: I hit it so good off the tee. I wasn't in one bunker this week. I feel like that's pretty impressive out here. I was thinking about that going into the round today. I was like, don't think about it. It's going to happen if you think about it.

Yeah, I was just striking it really well. When you strike it really well and you give yourself so many opportunities, it does get at the end of the day frustrating it comes down to your putting, right?

I wasn't hitting bad putts. Not at all. I wasn't pushing them. I wasn't pulling them. They just weren't falling like my -- out here, especially with it getting tougher every single day, like matching your speed with your line is very crucial on fast greens.

Just kind of as many weren't falling as I hoped for, yeah.

Q. You said it was heartbreaking. What hurts most about this loss?

NELLY KORDA: Obviously, I'll have hopefully a lot more attempts, but when you come so close and you kind of feel that adrenaline coming down 18, the one thing that you want to do is hold the trophy at the end of the day. And I'm not.

But it's okay. I'll have more opportunities hopefully.

Q. You said you learned the most from this championship about what you need to work on. What is it that you learned?

NELLY KORDA: I'll pray that some putts go in. No, I was hitting it so good off the tee. I was very happy with my game. Finally kind of saw my chipping trend in the right direction as well.



I was kind of struggling a little about landing positions and roll-outs for the start of the year, but I was really confident with everything around the greens as well.

Yeah, I just need to continue knocking on the door, and hopefully it will open.

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