## **Curtis Cup**

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## Hannah Darling Annabell Fuller

**Press Conference** 

THE MODERATOR: Hannah and Annabell, thanks for joining us. Obviously a tough day but a good result at the end, particularly for you there, Hannah. Can you just talk us through what that meant for you, that putt on 17?

HANNAH DARLING: Yeah, that was huge. I mean, for me and Annabell, both first point of the Curtis Cup, which is almost a bit, I don't know how to describe it, but the fact that it's come this late is honestly, obviously a bit annoying, but we got it done, and to almost have the momentum in our favor now going into tomorrow, that's huge.

I hope I can pump up our team a little bit and ready to go do this thing tomorrow.

THE MODERATOR: Annabell, it shows how tough it is to try to finish off matches, even when you get into good position. You both stuck to the task very well. For you does it give you that lift going into the singles tomorrow?

ANNABELL FULLER: Yeah, like Hannah said, I think we waited a little bit too long to get our first win on the board, but I mean, we're all going into tomorrow with our head held strong and our whole team wants this more than anything, and especially after last year it being so tight, we're going on -- I know we want it more than the Americans and we're all going to play our hearts out.

Q. There's been quite a few putts that have come very close over the last two days. Do you feel there's some that might roll for you tomorrow as a team?

HANNAH DARLING: Yeah, definitely. It's funny, at lunch pretty much every day and then dinner we've been talking about how many putts have come close, so you know we're definitely going to be going in the team room tonight and talking about the putts that dropped, and that's what we're going into tomorrow with. But yeah, I think we've had our fair share of putts that have either just missed or lipped out or something like that. We're definitely due a few.



Q. I'm curious about the pizza; which kind did you get, and did it really and truly inn have I gone rate you?

HANNAH DARLING: Yes. Down the stretch it was tough. I needed something to kind of lift me up a little bit. I went for the pepperoni and sausage. It was pretty good. It was actually a bigger slice than I wanted, but you know what, I ate it all. It definitely helped in the end, but yeah, it was pretty good.

Q. What did you think when your partner comes out with a slice of pizza?

HANNAH DARLING: Can I just say she was jealous. She asked for a bit and she had a bit, so I don't know what she's about to say.

ANNABELL FULLER: I was going to say, last year Hannah and I had -- I think it was on the 13th hole, we used to go and they had an ice cream van at Conwy, so we went over and got our ice cream, so it just reminded me of that and it brought back good memories from last year, so I knew coming into that she was deemed to hole some putts.

HANNAH DARLING: Can we also say while we're doing this, Elaine, our captain, is eating a slice of pizza right now, so it's all in the pizza.

Q. Was your team following the scoreboard at all or did you hear during your match how things were going with your teammates and maybe hearing that the advantages were getting smaller and smaller or were you just kind of worried about what you guys were doing?

ANNABELL FULLER: I think we definitely saw in the beginning that we were up, which we got pumped up from, which I think was nice, to kind of see that the ahead matches were doing well, and then I think from about hole 8 onwards we focused on what we were doing and we knew that we needed to get the job done no matter how they do, so we focused on ourselves and kept with it.

HANNAH DARLING: Yeah, I think just to add to that, towards the end we definitely heard some more American



cheers. It's very defined; you can notice a difference between the cheers for us and the cheers for the Americans, so we knew it was more of them.

I think for me I wanted to end the day on a positive, and I think we did that today, which was huge.

## Q. Was curious if you guys were watching Louise and Charlotte's match in the morning and how you guys entered that pumped up.

ANNABELL FULLER: I mean, I think they were really unlucky. They're both great players, and I think kind of watching how they unfortunately lost the last couple holes coming in, we were more like, come on, we've got to get it back for them, which I think is the way our whole team kind of works. We are always there to support each other. We're all this week -- I would describe all of us as really great friends now. Hannah is my best friend, as well, so it's always so much fun playing with her, but the whole team, they're my friends for life for now for sure, so I think when one of them suffer we want to help them up, and we're all in it together.

HANNAH DARLING: Yep, agreed with that.

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