## **AIG Women's Open**

Mixed Zone Thursday, 19 August 2021 **Emily Pedersen** 



EMILY PEDERSEN: Yeah, I'll build on it. Hopefully, I'll hit a few more greens, have a few more putts for birdie, and yeah, not so many chips.

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#### Q. How do you feel about your start?

EMILY PEDERSEN: Good. I think it was good to get in under par today. It was really, really cold and wet this morning, and obviously played a little bit tough. Then you have the last four, where you just need to survive a little bit. So I'm happy to have a round under par.

# Q. How difficult was it coming from the weather the first couple of days of practice to the conditions you saw this morning?

EMILY PEDERSEN: Well, it was complete opposite. We've had sun, and then we've had the wind from west on all practice days. Today was east/southeast and rainy. I said to my caddie on the 1st hole, I'm happy we played a practice round because it's completely different.

### Q. Had you had that experience at Carnoustie before playing here?

EMILY PEDERSEN: No, first time at Carnoustie.

#### Q. Given what you did last year at Troon, though, you obviously like links golf.

EMILY PEDERSEN: Yeah, I do like it. I like that you can't think too far ahead. It's about kind of surviving each and every shot. Normally, I do like when it becomes a bit tough and you have to shape the ball a little bit or things get difficult.

#### Q. It's regarded as tough days of golf at Carnoustie, but you obviously handled it well. What were the keys to your round today?

EMILY PEDERSEN: I stayed patient, and then my short game was really, really good. So the times I was out of position, I got it up and down apart from a few times. Then the short birdie putts I had, I made, and I didn't have loads of chances, but it was just kind of grinding away.

### Q. Looking into tomorrow, trying to just build on that obviously?

