

AIG Women's Open

Mixed Zone

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Mimi Rhodes



Q. Nice on the last hole there.

MIMI RHODES: Yeah, not bad.

Q. Mimi, you first-ever round at the AIG Women's Open you start with a 3-under; currently tied for fourth. What did you make of it all?

MIMI RHODES: It was definitely very mental out there. I had to really concentrate on the tee shots and pick smaller targets and just not get ahead of myself.

I was, yeah, just trying to stay in the moment and soak it all in, have loads of fun. That definitely made it more fun.

Q. Who was out here? I heard a lot of cheers coming down 18.

MIMI RHODES: Uncles, aunts, cousins, mom, dad, sisters and brothers, like 25 or 30 of them.

Yeah, it was quite extraordinary how the cheers took off as soon as I started making birdies.

Q. Playing alongside Carlota, I know you look up to her a lot so how was that for you?

MIMI RHODES: Yeah, definitely. I always have a lot of fun playing with Carlota. Yeah, we just had good chat. She is always really good at energy.

Yeah, I definitely learned a lot from her when I'm on the course. She's is a patient out there. Yeah, I try and be like her.

Q. We spoke at Evian about getting that enjoyment factor back. Looked like you had it today. Is that something you have still been working on?

MIMI RHODES: Yeah, still been working on it and still will be for a while. Yeah, I think after those three wins I put a lot of pressure and expectation on myself.

I've been working with someone quite close to me. Yeah, she's been helping me kind of, yeah, have fun out there

and stay in the moment, not look ahead or think of the negatives or think of what everyone else is thinking of me.

Yeah, definitely enjoyed out there.

Q. Is that a mental coach?

MIMI RHODES: No, just a friend.

Q. You've learned your golf at Burnham & Berrow, which is just the other end of the Bristol Channel.

MIMI RHODES: Yeah.

Q. It's quite a journey from sort of playing there and then you sort of branched a bit further up the channel and making your debut in this tournament.

MIMI RHODES: Yeah, definitely. I went to close -- not close, I mean, not too far from Burnham and my grandparents were members there. Yeah, that's definitely been a benefit of playing on the links. Yeah, I've been prepping there for the last couple weeks for this kind of stretch.

And it definitely helps having a Scottish caddie on my bag, so he kind of knows where the ball will bounce and stuff.

Q. Yeah. And had you actually ever played here before?

MIMI RHODES: Yeah. Like three or four weeks ago.

Q. Oh, okay.

MIMI RHODES: Yeah, just prior to coming here. Just wanted to play on my own and enjoy it out there and not think of it too much.

Q. How was it at the end out in the wind like it seems? I was here this morning and it was -- felt like it picked up a lot. How did you find playing in the wind?

MIMI RHODES: Honestly, it wasn't as much as yesterday or other practice rounds. Few holes it kind of died a bit, but definitely when you get above, again, you can feel it definitely.



But, yeah, the last couple holes, especially 16 into the wind, yeah, it was pumping out there.

Q. Have you done anything -- a lot of players said they made changes in their bag, changing clubs. Have you done anything in your bag?

MIMI RHODES: I did think about putting my 3-iron, and, yeah, using that to kind of hit it into the wind, but no, I'm happy with my standard setup?

Q. When you played three or four weeks ago, was it similar weather conditions?

MIMI RHODES: Yeah, the members told me it was the windiest they'd ever seen it, so I played it like with a lot of wind. So, yeah, maybe I played it when it was at its toughest and now I just think it's easier.

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