

The Amateur Championship

Quick Quotes

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Ethan Fang

Q. Ethan, describe your emotions now that you're through to the quarterfinals.

ETHAN FANG: Yeah, it feels good. It was kind of like last year over at the U.S. Am when I got to the quarterfinals.

It was fun. It was a lot of golf, but that morning match, it was definitely a grind. Connor had the lead on me pretty much all round until I won. He was 2-up with two to play and I made two really good birdies and hit a really good shot into the last playoff hole.

Yeah, so it was a good win, but then I knew I had a tee time in an hour and a half, so I had to really reset and just get back into that mindset.

Then the afternoon round, putts started dropping, and it was just a good match. I was kind of just cruising in.

Q. Was there a bit of momentum you were able to take from the positive finish in the morning round into this afternoon's round?

ETHAN FANG: Yeah, for sure. I was putting pretty bad this morning, and I finally got to see a couple go in, and that just kind of gave me some confidence going into the afternoon round. I putted really well this afternoon, so yeah.

Q. You must be pretty proud of your efforts and your resilience today given it took you, I think, 27 holes, or 25 holes to be off in regulation play.

ETHAN FANG: Yeah, it's just a battle, especially all these tournaments, just when you get into match play and then you've got to play five or six matches. Just staying in your lane and kind of doing everything you've been working on, and things will be good.

Q. How do you reset after a pretty big day today?

ETHAN FANG: Yeah, just get some rest. I think we're going to have a pretty nice meal tonight and just prepare like I always do. Everything stays the same. Just come out here and see what happens tomorrow.

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Q. You mentioned earlier you got to the quarterfinals of the U.S. Amateur. Are there experiences from that particular event that you can apply now?

ETHAN FANG: Yeah, for sure. I've played a lot of match play in my life. So getting to the quarterfinals at the U.S. Am definitely -- going into this, it kind of calms yourself down a little bit, and just staying sharp.

Yeah, but the U.S. Am definitely helped me deal with the pressure and the moment.

Q. To the golf course, how has that held up today and how has it developed over the week?

ETHAN FANG: Yeah, when I played here in stroke play, I thought the greens were pretty soft and receptive still, and yesterday was somewhat firm, and then we got out today, and that morning round, it wasn't too firm yet, but you could tell it was getting there. I had a lot of shots bounce over.

Then this afternoon, it was a whole different course it felt like. The wind was blowing pretty good. You really just had to be creative and find your ways around the golf course. Just kind of avoiding the pot bunkers. It was just good.

Q. Do you allow yourself to start thinking about the big prize as yet? You're obviously down to the last handful of players now.

ETHAN FANG: Yeah, I try not to think about it. It's hard. Everyone is going to think about it if you're human. But it's just hard. You just can't let it get in your way. You just kind of stay present, take each hole hole by hole, and you'll get there at the end and just kind of -- it'll all come to you at once.

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