Women's Amateur Championship

Quick Quotes Tuesday, 21 June 2022

Amelia Williamson

Q. You're through the top 64, mission accomplished. How does it feel to be through to the match play?

AMELIA WILLIAMSON: It's exciting. The next stage is a completely different ballgame. Match play, I approach it with a slightly different mindset and at the end of the day, qualifying in first or 64th, it's like a clean slate now. The past two days, it's done.

So, it's exciting.

Q. Must be satisfying to put a couple of good rounds together and be comfortable in the top 64 and know that you've got a bit of form heading into tomorrow?

AMELIA WILLIAMSON: Yeah, it is. I've had decent form since last August in my final year at Florida State University. So today wasn't necessarily the best but it was good enough. I did what I had to do.

Q. So you're a course record-holder at this course. You must quite like it here at Hunstanton?

AMELIA WILLIAMSON: I do. I like links golf. I don't get to play it much when I'm back out in America. It's always a treat to come here but wind, rain, anything, I still enjoy playing golf around here and the challenge that it provides.

Q. All those things you mentioned, it must give you such an advantage over competitors from all over the world?

AMELIA WILLIAMSON: I would say slightly. I don't play as much here as I would like to, so the wind direction changes is probably my biggest advantage. If the wind was to flip; the practise round yesterday were the opposite wind direction to today.

So I thought that people might struggle if it flips because with any course if the wind does a 180, then it changes the entire perspective that you have to look at it from.

Q. Have you played much match-play golf over in the States at your new college?



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AMELIA WILLIAMSON: Not really, no. We only play it a couple of times a year, so for me, it's been a while. I got COVID at the National Championship, so I was sitting out on the bench. So my second opportunity to practise the match play was taken away from me.

So at the end of the day, if you just have a good gross score and play the golf course on the whole, you'll tend to win your matches.

Q. What will it mean to go deep into this competition and potentially win the 2022 Women's Amateur Championship?

AMELIA WILLIAMSON: It would mean a lot. I'm planning on turning pro next kind of springtime. So to be able to play the tournaments and privileges which come with winning this before I turn pro would give me a lot of experience leading up to the time that I do turn professional.

Q. Do you girls ever get the chance to think about those amazing prizes at stake this week?

AMELIA WILLIAMSON: Yeah, I would say so. But you kind of have to look at it step by step. There's no point getting ahead of yourself and looking and thinking about all the things which could happen if you win, until you actually win.

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