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Q. Played alongside Ryann O'Toole today. Ryann seemed to get off to a pretty hot start and then you kind of caught fire a little later in the round. What impact did it have watching Ryann get off that strong start?

MEGAN KHANG: Yeah, definitely. I was 2-under making the turn and I was four shots back of Ryann and I was like, what is going on?

Make the turn; Ryann birdies 10 right off the bat again. I'm like, all right, we got to kick it into gear.

Jack and I, we kind of stayed in the moment, and on 12 I kind of got a little stuck behind a bush, but was fortunate enough that I only clipped the tree and still went forward.

And so we were joking, all right, let's go capitalize off this good break. Once that birdie went in it opened the floodgates and really just stayed patient out there.

Again, ball striking was really good out there, so really happy that greens were soft and we could be a little aggressive.

Q. Looked like you guys were having a great time. Saw you chatting with your caddie as well as Ryann throughout the round. How did that help you stay in the moment and keep this momentum rolling?

MEGAN KHANG: Honestly it's a lot of fun. A lot of us are friends out here. I think it's a very light. You almost forget you're in a tournament atmosphere.

For me personally, I'm a big chatterbox and my caddie and I love to joke around, so we keep it very light, try to keep it fun. You know, if we happen to have a bad shot we deal with it and try not to let it get to our heads.

Q. You've played great in recent weeks; two Top 10s coming in. What do you feel like has come together over the last few weeks?



MEGAN KHANG: I would definitely say ball striking has come along. This whole year I've been hitting it decently pretty well. You know, I think the past few weeks definitely putts have been falling in.

We're just trying to take advantage of that, because everyone knows out here these greens are smooth, they're fast, and you just got to make sure you get dialed in on the putts.

Q. Putting yourself in contention repeatedly. What do you feel like you learned that can help you here this weekend as you look to get over the hurdle and get the first victory?

MEGAN KHANG: Definitely. I mean, playing in Toledo was like Gaby -- obviously we fed off each other there and both shot 7- and 8-under, and it was crazy. Sunday typically you shoot 7-under and you're not in second.

Just being in the moment and not getting ahead of ourselves was definitely kind of the key fact I took away.

You know, Gaby was hitting it so well and there was nothing I could do other than try to play my own game and focus on what I can control. So definitely really experiencing that firsthand for the win was a huge lesson learned.

Q. You two made it awful fun to watch. Excited to see what you do the rest of the way. Thank you, Megan.

MEGAN KHANG: Awesome. Thank you.

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