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Pinnacle Country Club

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Quick Quotes

Q. Showing no signs of jet lag. She says, no, I don't even do jet lag. Not happening. We'll get more into her trip from Solheim here to Arkansas, but first, your round today, getting off to a solid start; 32 on the front to that 65. What was the key to the low round?

CHRISTINA KIM: Keeping the ball dry and hit it -- you, know, I mean, start above ground, hit it on the ground, finish on the ground.

So it as quickly as you can. That's about it.

Q. We mentioned Solheim Cup. You were part of the commentary team last week. How is it different being on this side after being a member of a team in years past?

CHRISTINA KIM: I mean, I'm just a fan of the game at the end of the day, and it was just amazing to be able to watch two heavily stacked teams. I think everything about the week was perfect because no one won and no one lost technically.

It's just indicative of the continued rivalry that's going to come up with two new generations of players. Honestly, I cried on air, like on a Friday afternoon, because of the gravity of everything and all the beautiful stories. Like Caroline Hedwall, Emily Pedersen and Lexi Thompson were my stories of week and they all showed up.

I was inspired. There is no question about it. It's inspiring to watch great golf whether it's male or female. And to see those women out there, those 24 players that just really played with their hearts on their sleeves there representing their country, representing their continent.

For Carlota to go and make the putt to retain the Cup in front of her king in her own country where the Solheim Cup was held for the first time and the first time in history that the Cup has been retained by either team. Like I can go on forever.

Q. The storylines are countless. You definitely played



great out there today. So much to play for currently at the end of the season. Currently outside the top 100 in the race to the CME Globe standings. How much is that lurking in the back of your mind and is it a motivator at this point in the year?

CHRISTINA KIM: I mean, I'm not going to lie. All you can do is what you can do. I can go out there and have great day and get lapped by everybody and I may not end up moving.

So all I can do is what I can do and go out there and enjoy myself. The world is so beautiful. It's clearly quite warm out, which is a blessing to say at the end of September.

But it's wonderful. You can't really do anything other than what you can do. I tried my best. Missed a four-footer somewhere out there for par. Missed a little six-footer out here. It's all good.

Q. Taking it all in stride. Get in there and cool down a little bit. We appreciate the time.

CHRISTINA KIM: I appreciate it. His name is Andrew. (Laughter.)

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