Trust Golf Women's Scottish Open

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Ariya Jutanugarn

Quick Quotes

Q. Lovely second round to follow up the good opening round yesterday. Looks like you got in before the wedge weather turned?

ARIYA JUTANUGARN: Pretty lucky to finish before the rain and wind. Pretty tough round because windy when I start, so like today make pretty long putts so pretty lucky.

Q. What are the big challenges?

ARIYA JUTANUGARN: I want to say the weather because windy and we just need to be patient on the course and just have to play with it because like we can't do anything with the weather.

Q. Which holes are you enjoying which may be less so?

ARIYA JUTANUGARN: I want to say No. 16. I hit perfect shot and ended up short. I had like 50 feet and make the putt.

Q. Your front nine was very similar to yesterday but back nine scored really well, five birdies I think. What was the difference do you think?

ARIYA JUTANUGARN: I just keep going so I don't know what is work well today. I still miss some short putts and miss some tee shots. I feel like some holes everything just come together and make the putt, hit solid golf shot and make some birdie.

Q. You have a healthy lead on most of the afternoon players. Do you think your score is going to be enough to be top of the board at the end of the day?

ARIYA JUTANUGARN: You know, what we never know. Somebody can shoot like amazing round today in the afternoon, so I don't know, I just have to keep working on my stuff.



Q. Just as the weather changed and the wind starts, perfect for yourself coming in at that time. Did you feel good coming down the stretch?

ARIYA JUTANUGARN: Actually I felt like after I played in the afternoon yesterday, it is really windy, and I feel like today going to be better in the morning, but actually it's not, so the wind start to blow really hard since like first hole and last three holes even worse. I feel pretty lucky I finish before everything going to come.

Q. You won this event at Gullane, how special was it at the time to win The Scottish Open?

ARIYA JUTANUGARN: I want to say my whole life, like my dream is I want to win on a links course because I won in Woburn, played British Open, but it's not links. I felt like one time in my life, I want to win on a links and I done it in 2018. Just bring back all the great memory I have here and you know, still lots of golf to go so we never know what going to happen.

Q. Yesterday a couple times there was lovely pictures of you sitting at the side of the green and giving thumbs-up. Is it you, your personality?

ARIYA JUTANUGARN: Yes, I like to sit on all the time because I'm lazy, tired all the time. I feel like to sit down and enjoy the view and enjoy other players playing, it's so much fun. You have nothing to do, just like rooting for them. When you sit down and have some time, you see amazing shots, like Patty yesterday, she makes so much like really good up-and-down and I feel like so impressed.

Q. Do you think golf needs more people like yourself or sometimes people are too serious?

ARIYA JUTANUGARN: I feel we need every kind of peronality. We just different. That's how we're growing up and that's why we play golf because we're so different. I feel like, you know, I don't think we need more like me or more like other players. I think we perfect now.

Q. This event now has a Thai sponsor, Trust Golf. Is that a good thing?



ARIYA JUTANUGARN: Of course. I feel so thankful for like myself and for like all the LPGA, and they try to help all the golfers in Thailand so much. That means so much for us.

Q. How comfortable were you feeling towards the end of the day?

ARIYA JUTANUGARN: I will say I don't feel that comfortable because I still have so much thing to work on but when you just really enjoy with your process -- I didn't know what I shoot on the front nine until like when I add the score later.

I feel like it's pretty cool when you're in the thinking about the outcome and you have so much stuff you have to work on. Even better because you're not going to worry much about the outcome so you only focus on what you want to work on.

Q. You've had a number, we talked about yesterday, a number of long putts. I know you've been saying that it's a little bit of luck, but you've got to credit yourself, being able to read these greens the way you have, are you impressed with yourself?

ARIYA JUTANUGARN: I want to say most of the time I'm just guessing, because I don't know and it's so tough. Sometimes I have ten feet and it broke like twice or like right-to-left and then left-to-right. I feel like it's just how good I guess.

Today I miss a lot of of short putts and I make a few long putts. I feel like my guessing, okay.

Q. We talked about a past champion of this event, how much you wanted to win on a link course. You're coming into this event already a two-time winner on the LPGA Tour this season. How confident did you come into this event? I know links is not something we play every week but how confident do you feel in your game coming into this week?

ARIYA JUTANUGARN: I want to say, I don't really feel like I'm really confident or I'm not confident at all. But I think like just have to go day-by-day to me. When I say I still have so much thing to work on, and to me, I just want to be chilling on the course because I know when I'm chilling on the course, everything going to take care of themselves.

Q. You always talk about committing to your shots and everything that goes along with that, is that what you're maintaining as you go through this links course?

ARIYA JUTANUGARN: I feel like we just have to focus on that more and more on the links because barely windy and sometimes you have good commitment and you have good shot and still miss the green.

I think this course test my patience, test my commitment.

Q. And being a past champion of this event, when you come back to the Women's Scottish Open year after year, what are the memories that you think of? Do you remember holding that trophy and remembering that string of great play in 2018?

ARIYA JUTANUGARN: I remember because like when I won that Scottish 2018 I feel so happy because I told my caddie, I'm like finally I can win on a links, so every time I'm here, I know it's tough. I know it's windy but I really enjoy every moment here because links, we just know we can shoot low and we know we can shoot high.

So we just never know when it's going to be that day that we shoot low or we shoot high. I feel like it brings back a lot of great memory here because I won on links and proud of myself and be able to tell myself that I won on the links.

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