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Esther Henseleit

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Q. Another great week for you out on the golf course, in many ways another Silver Medal. How do you reflect on it?

ESTHER HENSELEIT: Yeah, it was fun today. I playing really solid. Had a little go on the back nine, but Lauren played amazing. Even when she was in trouble, she got out of it really quick. She played well this afternoon today.

Q. You did put the pressure on, but she was in one of those moods. When she was in trouble she came up with some ridiculous shots, didn't she?

ESTHER HENSELEIT: Yeah, the up-and-down on 16 was pretty special, and the two birdie putts on 14 and 15, pretty good golf.

Q. Your form at the moment is just sensational. Couldn't be better heading into next week, could it?

ESTHER HENSELEIT: Yeah, this week was definitely a good preparation. And I feel like I'm used to the wind. We'll see how it plays next week, and I'm really looking forward to it.

Q. Two completely different golf courses in France and here. I guess proving to yourself, doesn't matter where you're turning up at the moment, your game is coming with you, which is a pretty nice feeling to have?

ESTHER HENSELEIT: I hope so. This week and last week are giving me a lot of confidence. I'm definitely enjoying my time on the golf course at the moment. I feel like the putter got a little bit hot at least this week and I holed some good putts, which is nice to see, and I'm looking forward to next week.

Q. Your short game has come on so much in the last 18 months. Have you been working on that specifically or finding something somehow?



ESTHER HENSELEIT: Yeah, it's been really good. It's always a bit different coming here. I've been chipping around the greens. I've been working on it, and especially on my putting the last year, two years I would say. I'm starting to see some really big improvements, and also take some pressure off my iron game and my short game as well. It's good to see.

Q. You put yourself in the points from this result. How big have the last two weeks have been for you?

ESTHER HENSELEIT: I've been playing well all year. So it's not like my form has been surprising me. I've had a lot of confidence coming into these two weeks. I've been playing good and yeah my goal was definitely not to rely on a pick. I hope that I made a big step into that direction today, and yeah, one more week to go and yeah, I can hopefully confirm my spot next week.

Q. Just in terms of having Reece back on the bag, he had a bad disc, what's it been like to have him back by your side?

ESTHER HENSELEIT: It's been fun. Yeah, I think we had about two months off from each other, which was also interesting. You always learn something from having a different caddie on the bag, and I really switched around a lot over the last two months.

But yeah, it's great to have him back by my side. He just knows me so well, so he know what is to say in the right situations.

Yeah, I hope his back is holding on and we can finish up the rest of the year together.

Q. In terms of going to next week, have you ever been to St Andrews before?

ESTHER HENSELEIT: I've been to St Andrews to the town. I've walked around like the 1st tee, 18th green but I've never played it. So I'm really looking forward to it and I hope we can just kind of soak it in all in and I hope the weather is going to be okay. We'll see.

Q. The fact that we've had every condition, really, this



week, do you think that will have helped you, coming from a hot Paris to obviously the colder conditions in Scotland? And I think that might happen again next week.

ESTHER HENSELEIT: Yeah, I think next week might even be worse than next week. More wind, more rain.

So yeah, definitely I feel like this week helps prepare for next week because you just get used to the wind. Every day, you learn a bit more about how to play certain shots and yeah, definitely hope that this week helps.

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