# ISPS HANDA Women's Scottish Open

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#### **Lottie Woad**

**Press Conference** 

THE MODERATOR: Welcome to the ISPS Handa Women's Scottish Open. You're making your professional debut this week. Can you just talk about your feelings coming into this event?

LOTTIE WOAD: Yeah, obviously very excited. Yeah, been thinking about, you know, making my professional debut for a long time. Excited to do it more on home soil, as well. It's going to be really fun.

## Q. Can you talk about Evian and what the experience and the process of turning professional and your thoughts behind it?

LOTTIE WOAD: Yeah, it was really cool. Sunday was obviously a really fun day being in contention and being close in the end. Yeah, and then obviously got my LPGA card from that, and so it was a pretty easy decision once I'd spoken to my coaches and my team.

## Q. This week is obviously links. How have you prepared for links golf, and how does your game suit links golf?

LOTTIE WOAD: I mean, I haven't played links golf that much this year, obviously being in America, but played it a little bit since I've been back.

I felt the transition to it is kind of not too bad since I grew up playing amateur stuff on links golf and kind of know how to flight the ball down and stuff like that, which always really helps playing in the wind.

#### Q. And you earned the Silver Medal last year at St Andrews, so obviously your game must suit links golf. How was that experience?

LOTTIE WOAD: Yeah, I do like links golf, and that was a really special week, playing at the Home of Golf and playing well, and yeah, just getting to play St Andrews is really cool, especially in an Open.



### Q. What are your first thoughts of the course this week? Do you have any first impressions?

LOTTIE WOAD: Yeah, never played here before. Yeah, it's a really good course. A little bit softer than before with all the rain. So might play a little bit different. If the wind gets up, it could still throw some curveballs out there.

#### Q. So have you seen your draw for the week, and what did you think when you saw it?

LOTTIE WOAD: Yeah, going to be fun couple of days. Obviously two players that I look up to, so it will be cool.

Q. What has the reception been from the players? Is anyone acknowledging the fact that you're playing your first professional tournament and given you advice?

LOTTIE WOAD: Yeah, a few players have spoken to me. Everyone is really friendly. Yeah, it's been nice.

### Q. Have you had someone you looked up to most amongst pros? Who has been your inspiration?

LOTTIE WOAD: I think growing up, I watched a lot of the English pros. So being paired with Charley tomorrow is going to be cool.

#### Q. Does it feel any different being a professional so far?

LOTTIE WOAD: Not really, no. Just try and do the same as I was doing before.

## Q. Will you working on finishing your degree while you're playing next spring?

LOTTIE WOAD: I haven't decided on that yet. I need to speak to academics on that and decide whether I want to do that. Because obviously I want to putt a lot of my focus into this.

Q. Turning professional, does it feel like there's more responsibilities or anything you've had to prepare for this week that you hadn't previously?

. . . when all is said, we're done.



LOTTIE WOAD: I haven't really had to do too much to be honest. Just been focused on the golf, really.

#### Q. Have you been following the women's Euros, and did you watch the Sweden and England match last Thursday?

LOTTIE WOAD: I did. Yeah, we're playing tonight. So probably watch that.

Q. Who do you think will be playing in the final?

LOTTIE WOAD: England.

Q. And do you watch a lot of other women's sports, as well, other than golf?

LOTTIE WOAD: Really only football and golf. That's it to be honest.

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