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Pajaree Anannarukarn

Quick Quotes

Q. All right, here with Pajaree Anannarukarn who just tied at the top of the leaderboard after your first round here. You survived. You did it. How was your round today?

PAJAREE ANANNARUKARN: Yeah, I been hitting it really good today, drive it good. Hit some really good shots and made some really good putts, so overall it was a good day.

Q. Tell me about some of those good shots and putts you made. Any that really stand out to you?

PAJAREE ANANNARUKARN: I think there is a few holes. Hole 4, three and 4. Hit some really good shot. Missed the putt but I made some really good putts out there, too.

Yeah, no complaints. It's been a good day.

Q. What was it like being out there on this golf course that is so incredibly hilly? It's got to be such a physical challenge.

PAJAREE ANANNARUKARN: Yeah, just kind of telling myself to finish the 18 honestly. Try to stay hydrated and just keep filled up. Yeah, try to stay patient out there. It's been a really hilly course and just, you know, try to keep myself in the fairway, hit some good shot, and try to get a good speed on the green.

Q. When was the last time you played on tour? It's been a couple weeks, right?

PAJAREE ANANNARUKARN: Yeah, I took three weeks off and watch some Solheim Cup. Yeah, it was fun. It was a great three weeks off.

Q. What did you do during those three weeks? Where were you?

PAJAREE ANANNARUKARN: I mean, I was actually flew here in Portland. I was going to go Seattle but we had like a Thai community golf tournament going on last week, so I got spend some time with my friend and uncles down in





Portland, so it was really nice.

I got to stay here like two, three weeks.

Q. Oh, really? So you been here the whole time?

PAJAREE ANANNARUKARN: Yeah, I was actually going go back to Thailand but the COVID isn't that good right now so, yeah, just be here and spend some time here and been loving it so far.

Q. You say uncles. You have family here?

PAJAREE ANANNARUKARN: Yeah, so he's my friend but I call him uncle. We've known each other since like five years ago, and, yeah, we've been really good friends, and he came over. Like I said, we had a like charity tournament, so it was great to get to see him and spend some time with him.

Q. Where was that tournament and what was it a charity for?

PAJAREE ANANNARUKARN: The Thai, the TGAA is the Thai association, the Thai community, Thai people, had like every year, and this year they actually host in Portland. So, yeah, it was at the Reserve Vineyard, I don't remember exactly.

Q. We can look that up.

PAJAREE ANANNARUKARN: Yeah, I got to meet him after the play, so it was fun.

Q. So what else did you do while you were here in Portland?

PAJAREE ANANNARUKARN: I found some really good food spot I think. Yeah, I was going to go hike but didn't get to, but I did some explore downtown and some really good restaurants, so it was fun.

Q. Anyplace that you really liked?

PAJAREE ANANNARUKARN: I really like the -- what's it called, the Chen's Good Taste, so it was the Chinese place. My dad really loves Chinese, so it was fun hanging around downtown and also south park by where the

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seafood is. That was fun.

Q. Well you're used to Portland now. You know this golf course a little bit better now. What are you going to do to learn from today that you'll take to tomorrow?

PAJAREE ANANNARUKARN: I mean, I definitely learn a lot from today. I miss some fairways out there. I try to probably be more focus and concentrate on my tee shots. Hopefully will hit some better drive tomorrow and give myself some really good opportunities out there.

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