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Dewi Weber

Quick Quotes

Q. All right, I'm here with Dewi Weber after her third round at the Portland Classic. Different round than the past couple days. How do you stay patient out there knowing you can make a lot of birdies, but you're not making as many in the third round?

DEWI WEBER: I mean, it was more for me about doing the same things that I have been doing and just trying to keep making good swings, which honestly I was doing. I hit good putts with the exception of maybe one or two. Under-read a couple ones and then over-read a couple ones.

I just kept making good putts and good strokes, especially on the shorter putts. So I think it would be one thing if I wasn't doing that and things just weren't really clicking.

For me it was more like oh, I'm doing the right things. It's just not going in the hole. So then it's easier I think then to adjust as opposed to I'm hitting bad shots or hitting bad putts or whatever.

That way I can stay patient as well.

Q. Got you. Going into the final round knowing there is lots of birdies out there and you're only one stroke, how are you feeling being near the top and not in the lead going into the final day?

DEWI WEBER: In a way I feel like it's easier because I'm not the one setting the pace. Not that I was setting the pace today at all. Like you said, there is a lot of birdies out here, and I think any one of us is kind of expecting for someone to do that, minus-9, minus-10, minus-8. You know if you're in the lead, like there is two days to play. Nothing given out here period. Nothing is given out here on this golf course because there is a lot of birdies out there.

I don't know. It's kind of freeing in a way that like you just got to go all out and hope you make those birdies. You can't really be defensive out here.



Q. What would it mean to you to win your first time on the LPGA Tour with just so few starts on the tour this season and in your third season I guess with the Tour/Epson Tour?

DEWI WEBER: I mean, that's why I'm here. That's why I'm here. Like we play to win. I think any one of us is playing out here to win. Yeah, it means everything.

The fact that this is only my second event this year in my mind doesn't at least play a role. I don't know, every event I tee it up I try to win. I'm not expecting to win, but like I try the best I can do.

So, yeah, I think be really cool. Like, yeah, be cool to win any event.

Q. Would being the first golfer to win on tour from the Netherlands, first Dutch golfer to win, mean a lot to you, especially this year?

DEWI WEBER: Yes. I mean, yes. That's been the goal, to be the first and I'm like in this race with Anne of course. I think it's maybe in the back of your mind always. It's almost like the Olympics. Like, yes, it's there, but not really. You can't be thinking about any of the results honestly when you're out here playing. You just got to play golf and see where you land at the end of it.

Like when the last stroke wasn't -- was enough, was not enough, we'll see.

Q. Last question: Heading into tomorrow, have you thought at all about what type of round you think you'll need to put together to win or just sticking to that process?

DEWI WEBER: No, I'll just stick to the process and see if I can get the results that I had those first two days. But be silly of me to say like oh, I'm trying to make 7-under or 6-under. It's not helpful in any way for me.

I just got to make good swings, good strokes, not under-read the putts and like see if they go in. That's truly all I can do.



Yeah, like I said before there is going to be someone that will shoot 9-, 9-, 10-under, maybe 11. We kind of all know that's going to happen. Just a matter of is that going to be me, Andrea, anyone in the top? We'll see.

Q. I lied. This is my last question. We have to talk about the chip-in on 17 there. After your second shot went into the rough, what was your read on the green and how excited were you? Was that a big momentum moment right there?

DEWI WEBER: For sure. Like I shouldn't have been there in the first place and that was all me, but I got there and I kind of had had a chip like that on 13, same kind of conditions, maybe a little bit fluffier.

I saw where I wanted to land it. I knew kind of how the grass was going to react because I had the chip before. And then I stood over the ball and I was like, all right, we can't be hesitant on this. (Indiscernible.) So it's like can't be hesitant. Maybe it will go too far, but that's the way it's got to be.

Then I hit it, I made contact and I was like oh, that's pretty. Then I saw it and I was like oh, that's pretty good. And then obviously it went in.

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