

Pelican Women's Championship

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Pelican Golf Club

Isi Gabsa

Quick Quotes

Q. Here with Isi Gabsa after her first round at the Pelican Women's Championship. Got off to a really good start here in round one. Tell me what was like the key to your success out there?

ISI GABSA: My irons worked very good. I hit couple shots very close and made couple good putts and never was in big trouble off the tee either, so just pretty simple and fun golf. So, yeah.

Q. What's the most like difficult part out there of the course? Is it from the fairways? On the greens?

ISI GABSA: I think it's just like hitting the right spot on the green to get the easiest putt and the best birdie chance. I would say that's like the toughest part out there.

Q. Is putting extremely difficult? I know the greens are a little slow.

ISI GABSA: They are very slopey in one parts, but they got a little bit slower through the rain and a little bit softer, so it made it a little bit easier.

Yeah, but it's just if you are on the low side and putt uphill it's way easier than being behind the flag and downhill.

Q. We were talking about yesterday you were cooped up in the hotel along with the rest of us. How does that change your mindset knowing you only have 54 holes and sort of had a day where you couldn't practice?

ISI GABSA: It's just like I see it as a normal like practice basically. I did all my stuff that I had to done like on Wednesday. It's an outdoor sport. We can't change it.

So I just did a little bit of gym work and some swing stuff that I do anyway in the hotel room. Yeah, just chilled and relaxed for the rest.

Q. Specifically the last four holes, that string of



birdies, could you feel yourself getting into a groove and a rhythm after maybe one or two of the holes, and I guess what was that run kind of like for you?

ISI GABSA: To be honest, I didn't really realize it. I just kept on going. Like I had couple good -- like hole before I had a good birdie chance; didn't make that one.

Then let's just keep trying to hit it close and make putts. The putt on 8 was a very good putt. It was a little bit longer. Definitely not a very like easy birdie hole, so I was excited about that one, but I didn't really realize that it was four in a row at the end.

Q. Considering how the last two tournaments went for you, does this feel I guess even more rewarding to come in a get a fast start after not making the last few cuts?

ISI GABSA: I had three weeks, four weeks off, so I just had -- like I could practice and come back into that rhythm and kind of forget about the last tournaments, work on couple of stuff that wasn't going well in the last weeks out here, and just trying to get that fixed and trying to -- like a fresh start for the last event.

Q. Last one. You mentioned the stuff you worked on. Anything specific that you focused on in that time off?

ISI GABSA: It's basically the same thing that I always have to work on: A little bit of my swing that I shallow it out. But other than that, it was just a lot of pitching and putting.

Q. Last question from me. I know you're right outside the top 100 here in the race to CME. Is that something you're thinking about this week or are you just trying to play golf like you usually do?

ISI GABSA: So to get very nerdy we watched the new Star Wars series, Andor, yesterday, my brother and I, and on I think it was on 3 or so, he said, we are dead anyways. It was like something that Andor said yesterday in the movie, or in the series, and we can just play as aggressive as we want to with no -- there is no failing. Just go for pins, and if it works out, it works out. If not, you like -- yeah.



