

Pelican Women's Championship

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Pelican Golf Club

Emily Christine Pederson

Quick Quotes

Q. All right, here with Emily Christine Pederson after her first round here at Pelican Women's Championship. Just take me through your round. I know you got off to like a rocky start; scorecard is a little up and down. What were some of the challenges out there and what were you doing really well?

EMILY CHRISTINE PEDERSON: Yeah, I mean, obviously it wasn't an ideal start. We kind of had quite a few wrong clubs in the beginning, so I wasn't actually hitting it bad. I know it was just like the silly mistakes that sometimes happen.

But I knew that I was hitting it quite well, so that if I could just get it going I would get a lot of chances. And then I holed a big eagle putt on No. 7 that kind of got me into it a little bit more and like made me believe, okay, I can turn this around.

Then I played super solid on the back nine. I think three of my birdies on the back nine are like just -- went inside three feet, and one of them was like a six-foot putt.

Q. Was the course any different today than it was in maybe your practice rounds? Any effects of the storm that you saw?

EMILY CHRISTINE PEDERSON: Yeah, so like the wind is opposite than every day we practiced, and then it's a lot softer today so it played quite a bit longer.

Then some of the holes I was expecting a big kick when it hit the green it just stopped straightaway, so we kind of had to figure that out. We probably played a little bit more aggressive than we had anticipated, yeah.

Q. Speaking of the storm, interested to know what you did yesterday and how you switch your mentality after having a delay like that.

EMILY CHRISTINE PEDERSON: So I slept a lot and then



I was baby-sitting kids for a little bit, at like 12:00 I was getting mental so I went out for a walk in the storm. (Laughter.)

And then I went back inside and just was hanging out.

Q. That's funny. I'm glad you're safe. Last question: Being on that edge of the top 100 in the Race to the CME Globe, is that something you're thinking about this week, really pushing for, or are you pushing that to the back of your mind and just trying to play?

EMILY CHRISTINE PEDERSON: I'm always just trying to play and do my best every week, but obviously it's on my mind. Hopefully I'm trying to get into the -- comfortably into the top 80.

But I don't think it helps thinking about it. It just adds more pressure. I'm just trying to break it down, do one task at a time, one shot at a time, and I'll see how it goes after the round.

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