

# Kia Classic

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Carlsbad, California, USA

Park Hyatt Aviara Golf Club

## Mina Harigae

### Quick Quotes

**Q. Mina, nice 3-under, bogey-free to open up your play at the Kia Classic. Take us through the round, especially how nice it was to not find a bogey.**

MINA HARIGAE: Yeah, pretty solid out there today. Didn't make a lot of mistakes. I don't think I missed a green today, so that helped a lot. I think what really helped was I put my new Gen4 0311Ps from PXG last week. I played with it at the Symetra Tour last week in Arizona, so that was a really nice warmup.

Had a lot of confidence going into this week.

**Q. I was going to say, you had a top 10 last week. How nice was it when most people are probably just sitting at home and you're playing?**

MINA HARIGAE: Yeah, it was nice because it was only 20 minutes from my house and I wanted to get more competitive rounds in before next week, so it was just all in all a good week.

**Q. How did that prepare you just mentally to kind of -- you kind of did something similar last year. When we hit the pandemic you played on the Cactus Tour, won a couple times, and the results showed at the end of the year. How can just the repetitions help you it seems?**

MINA HARIGAE: That's exactly what I was trying to do. I was trying to replicate that, just like I said, have more competitive rounds and get more confidence. That's exactly what I did.

I had a good weekend and gave me more confidence coming into this week there how.

**Q. How good it is to be back at Aviara?**

MINA HARIGAE: It feels great. I really missed it last year. Just to be back in California playing I really missed it and it's great to be back.

**Q. Were the nines different at all with maybe a little**

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**wind on one versus less wind on the other today?**

MINA HARIGAE: I think we got a pretty good draw. We started on the back nine. I would say that's probably the windier nine, so we got that out of the way.

The front nine is a little more tree-lined so wasn't too bad, but you could definitely feel it out there.

**Q. What is the game plan heading into the next three days with the position you put yourself in?**

MINA HARIGAE: Just more of the same. Just keep on literally doing the same. Try to hit all the greens again. That helps a lot. Rest a lot. It's a really hilly course. That's about it.

**Q. Is that about the most greens you've ever hit in a round probably competitively?**

MINA HARIGAE: I think I've done it maybe a couple times. But, yeah, it's not -- I don't do it all the time.

**Q. Doesn't happen every day.**

MINA HARIGAE: Be nice if it happened every day. No, it was a good ball striking day.

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