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Hoakalei Country Club

Linnea Strom

Quick Quotes

Q. Here with Linnea Strom. I mean, you hold your own, man. Played really well today. I know the conditions were a little trickier today because yesterday told you something different than what it was today. How did you adjust out there?

LINNEA STROM: Yeah, I agree with you. I do think it was a little bit trickier. I don't think the wind was stronger but I think some of the pins were tougher, and they actually moved some tees up so you would think that it will be lower scores today.

For some reason it was still pretty tricky out there. I'm just very happy that I stayed patient. Missed a short putt on 12 for birdie so that is a bit frustrating.

Other than that I did save some good pars out there, which I'm happy about. Yeah, I just look forward to tomorrow.

Q. Just how excited are you to be in this position? Obviously an Epson Tour graduate back this season. To be back here so quickly into the season, how excited are you?

LINNEA STROM: I think this is what we're all practicing for, to kind of just -- yeah, I'm very happy to be in this position, and I've been working very hard to be here.

So it's nice to see some hard work pay off. But I still feel like I'm not hitting it quite as good as I want out there. I'm hitting the drives pretty good but struggling a bit with my irons at the moment.

Hopefully I can figure it out a little bit better going into tomorrow and have a little bit more confidence in the irons.

Q. When it's up for grabs is it more exciting or nerve-racking or more fun?

LINNEA STROM: When it's like what?



Q. Up for grabs.

LINNEA STROM: I think it's very exciting. It's fun to see that there is some new names up there, which pretty much shows that anyone can win. I think especially when it's windy also you need to be able to be patient and control the ball pretty good.

So I think it's going to be a very exciting day tomorrow, and I'm just going to do as good as I can and continue to enjoy it.

Q. Talk a little bit about even without -- in addition to the wind, how tough this course is because of some of the landing spots being pretty small.

LINNEA STROM: Yeah, like there are lots of bunkers out on the course, so obviously you need to -- some holes it's like do you want to play short of them or do you want to be aggressive?

I feel like I'm playing pretty aggressive, as I'm comfortable with the driver at the moment. But it's a nice course. I mean, I wouldn't say it's narrow but it's just, like you said, there are some bunkers that get into play and they're pretty deep, so if you do get in a bunker it's not always that you can hit the green from there.

So it's a very fun course in that way.

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