

Honda LPGA Thailand

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Pattaya, Thailand

Siam Country Club Pattaya, Old Course

Natthakritta

Vontaveelap

Quick Quotes

Q. Sim, it was a really good day on the golf course. Just take my through your round. How did you play out there today?

NATTHAKRITTA VONGTAVEELAP: Today I played really well, so my tee shot go really straight. Yeah, so easy to play second shot.

Q. Were you able to hit a lot of those second shots really close?

NATTHAKRITTA VONGTAVEELAP: Not really close, but in between four yards, six yards. Yeah, like that.

Q. How was your putting today?

NATTHAKRITTA VONGTAVEELAP: Great. Back nine. But front nine just it goes like a bit...

Q. Breaks a lot?

NATTHAKRITTA VONGTAVEELAP: Yeah.

Q. What did you change from the front nine to the back nine that helped you with your putting?

NATTHAKRITTA VONGTAVEELAP: No, I'm just do the same but it goes in in back nine. I don't know.

Q. So we're in Thailand. Obviously your first LPGA event as a rookie. How cool has it been to be able to play in front of family and friends and fans here in Thailand?

NATTHAKRITTA VONGTAVEELAP: Yeah, really cool. Yeah, I feel excited to play in front of Thai fan. Yeah, this is my first time, you know. It's my largest...

Q. Crowd?

NATTHAKRITTA VONGTAVEELAP: Yeah. In life.

Q. So was there a lot of noise out there? Were they really cheering for you?



NATTHAKRITTA VONGTAVEELAP: Yeah, but I feel, you know...

Q. Like nervous?

NATTHAKRITTA VONGTAVEELAP: No, not nervous, but shock.

Q. Like really excited?

NATTHAKRITTA VONGTAVEELAP: Yeah.

Q. Just kind of a little bit of background on you. I know your nickname is Sim. Why do they call you system?

NATTHAKRITTA VONGTAVEELAP: Sim 300.

Q. So why is it Sim 300?

NATTHAKRITTA VONGTAVEELAP: Because my driver, I can hit 300 yard.

Q. So is it after the TaylorMade driver that was called the Sim a couple years ago or has that always been your nickname?

NATTHAKRITTA VONGTAVEELAP: No, it's my nickname.

Q. Okay. Where are you from in Thailand?

NATTHAKRITTA VONGTAVEELAP: From?

Q. Where do you live here in Thailand?

NATTHAKRITTA VONGTAVEELAP: I live in Bangkok.

Q. So are any of your friends or family down here watching you?

NATTHAKRITTA VONGTAVEELAP: Yeah. Many. Tomorrow my friend will come.

Q. So first time holding the lead on the LPGA Tour in your first event. How are you trying to keep yourself calm? I know it's a lot of nerves, a lot of pressure. What are you doing to keep yourself calm?

NATTHAKRITTA VONGTAVEELAP: Breathe.

Q. A lot of breathing?

NATTHAKRITTA VONGTAVEELAP: How to make myself calm? I just want to make more birdies so I have to play under the pressure, you know. Yeah, that's it. I just want to make my score going better and better, so, yeah.

Q. So Atthaya was obviously, Jeeno was a rookie on the LPGA Tour last year. Did you watch her and learn anything that maybe is going to help you this season?

NATTHAKRITTA VONGTAVEELAP: Not yet. Yeah.

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