

# Pure Silk Championship Presented by Visit Williamsburg

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Kingsmill River Course

## Wei-Ling Hsu

### Quick Quotes

**Q. What a great first round here at Williamsburg. Bogey-free. How do you feel after the round today?**

WEI-LING HSU: Definitely feel really good, and I didn't really think about this much, but had a good iron into the green today and couple -- I mean, a lot of birdie chance. So I just kept waiting, and finally when I make a turn like three birdie in a row on the back nine, which is 12, 13, 14.

So that three in a row really changed the score.

**Q. When did you start feeling like the momentum was going for you?**

WEI-LING HSU: Actually I feel quite the same from very first hole all the way to the 18th. I just kept waiting. I know my feeling is pretty good right now, even finish four in a row and not really a week off last week for me.

So I just keep simple and then just stay focused as I can.

**Q. What did you do last week if it wasn't a week off?**

WEI-LING HSU: Well, we traveling on Monday and -- but I had U.S. Open qualify on Thursday in Phoenix, so I tried to fight with the jet lag and -- but it's really, really, really tired.

I only slept I will say 20 hour in five days. So I don't get much sleep, so I didn't really expect much this week. Just try to sleep and relax and just, yeah, play golf. (Laughter.) I mean, so tired.

**Q. When you're so tired like that, what really helps you just keep that momentum going?**

WEI-LING HSU: I think I just need to recognize that you need a lot of break and you have to tell yourself, Hey, you are tired, and not just like, Oh, I still got a tournament going on, I need to practice, like hit a thousand ball in the range.



I think that's not the way I was looking for. But I feel like if I can sleep well I can hit more like quality shot and I can even had a clear mind.

So I think recognize that is really helping my body relaxing and recovering, and also practice more like proper and like more decent.

**Q. Just want to understand, you went Taipei to Phoenix; is that right?**

WEI-LING HSU: Yeah, Thailand.

**Q. From Thailand?**

WEI-LING HSU: So we play in Thailand.

**Q. You played in Thailand?**

WEI-LING HSU: Yes.

**Q. And you went straight from Thailand to Phoenix?**

A. Yes.

**Q. Got in on Monday?**

WEI-LING HSU: I actually flew into L.A. pick up my mom and drove all the way from L.A. to Phoenix.

**Q. Okay. And you got in Phoenix Tuesday or...**

WEI-LING HSU: I got in Wednesday. No, no, no, Tuesday, and then practice round Wednesday.

**Q. Yep.**

WEI-LING HSU: But I'm not really playing practice round. I'm just too tired. I can't even swing. So I just get a car and just drive around.

**Q. Hit some chips and putts a little?**

WEI-LING HSU: Not even chip and putt. I just look at the course. I never been there, but I was so tired. I don't even



want to leave from that golf cart. I was just like, I can't do it. And I need a play 36 hole on the next day so I know it's okay to, you know, just driving around.

**Q. Sure. And you finished late on Thursday. Did you catch a flight on Friday to here or when did you come here?**

WEI-LING HSU: Actually I played the playoff, extra hole, one extra hole for the alternate, first alternate, and I made that putt so I got my first alternate spot.

And I had red eye flight that night, which is like 11:05 or something from Phoenix to Charlotte. So by the time I got home I was like, Oh, my God, because I only slept two hour and played 37 hole and then red eye and then back home.

**Q. Wow.**

WEI-LING HSU: It just kind of wrecker for me.

**Q. Yeah. And so are you okay now? Have you had enough sleep now that you feel like you're back to normal?**

WEI-LING HSU: I'm not saying 100%, but getting there.

**Q. Good. A lot of times a player will play better when expectations are low.**

WEI-LING HSU: Yes.

**Q. Because you have been traveling so much and you had the pressure of U.S. Open, did you come in with low expectations today?**

WEI-LING HSU: I think so, because I just didn't really set any goals. I had a good experience in Thailand and Singapore because when we overseas it's really hot and high humidity, so after 18 hole you always sweating and like hot.

You can't really do anything on the driving range or putting green. So I tried to take a break like relaxing more after rounds, and I feel like -- I actually feel pretty good when I'm in Thailand and Singapore. I spend a lot of time in the room and I think it's recovering pretty good.

I think that's the experience that I learned, that I can take with using last week or this week.

**Q. And one last question: A lot of players are having trouble adjusting from the transition from Thailand where it was very soft, plugged lies, fly it to the flags,**

**and here where it's very firm. You had in between. You had Phoenix. So was the transition easier to this firm setup?**

WEI-LING HSU: I think you kind of just need to wash out all the memory you had in the course. So this is the new week; doesn't matter of last week.

So what you need to do is play well this course. It's not taking the memory from last week. It's not like, Oh, I have 150 shot into the green and this week I can still taking that number. Maybe I need a five yard short or ten yard short.

You're not taking that. You are just, Hey, what we should play right here right now at this shot? So I think if you recognize that you can transition like get even better.

**Q. Bouncing off that, which of the courses and conditions would you say you prefer?**

WEI-LING HSU: I definitely prefer soft green because you don't need to adjust the number as hard. Like here you might -- sometime you take five yards; sometime you need to take ten yard.

Some of the hole are really, really firm and you can't really go to the number.

**Q. So do you find this course challenging?**

WEI-LING HSU: Yeah, so just more conversation with caddie, like how far I should go. But in the soft green you can just go at the pin, at the number, so it kind of easy.

**Q. And after a great round today, what's your goal for moving into the final round?**

WEI-LING HSU: Like I said, I think sleep is very important right now. Even the front nine I was a little sleepy the first couple holes. Too early.

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