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Galgorm Castle & Massereene Golf Club

Wichanee Meechai

Quick Quotes

Q. A solid day, 6-under par. Started on No. 10, and you went bogey-free on your opening nine to make the turn at 3-under on the day. How did it feel to start off without any mistakes and to make the turn in a solid position?

WICHANEE MEECHAI: I just hit it really good today, like so solid, but couldn't make the putt. Actually I missed a lot of putts. Yeah, I made some long putts but not the close ones. But yeah, it's a good day for me.

Q. When you look back on it later, I'm sure it's annoying right now, but when you look back on it later, when you can make long putts do you kind of -- what's the feeling?

WICHANEE MEECHAI: I feel like it's just golf. It's just golf. It's like golf; that's why I keep playing.

Q. Keep playing so one day you can make all the long putts and all the short putts?

WICHANEE MEECHAI: Yes.

Q. Can you take me through the eagle on No. 1, which was your 11th hole?

WICHANEE MEECHAI: The pin was so interesting today --

Q. Or 10th hole I should say.

WICHANEE MEECHAI: Yeah, I had like 175 to the pin, and I like -- I know everything is just going to release to the back, so I played like shorter than the number like 20 yards, and then it rolled to the position that I want, and then I made the putt. That's it.

Q. Long putt?

WICHANEE MEECHAI: Not really. Like about five yards.



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Q. And then to keep yourself right in the hunt, you had one bogey on No. 7 but closed out with a birdie on the par-5 9th to finish the day with a 67 just to keep yourself in the hunt and to keep a real low number up there. How did it feel to end that way, rebound nicely?

WICHANEE MEECHAI: I actually want to win so bad, but I know like I'm not good enough, but something in my mind is still, you can win, sometimes talk to me like that. But I'm just going to play my best and keep the game plan, everything with my caddie.

Q. What makes you think you're not good enough to win?

WICHANEE MEECHAI: Just, I don't know, like I need maybe putts, just more sharp.

Q. Just when the putts aren't dropping it feels like you can't win?

WICHANEE MEECHAI: Yeah, yeah, something like that.

Q. If the putts are dropping early tomorrow, does it turn -- does the mentality turn from I can't win to maybe this is my time to win?

WICHANEE MEECHAI: I don't know about tomorrow, but maybe I would think like just play shot by shot, try to don't think about the result. That was my goal, actually.

Q. Did you see your name crawling up the leaderboard at all out there?

WICHANEE MEECHAI: I tried to watch the leaderboard and tried to watch what is the score, like what is the leader's score, and I talked to myself, like it's not hard to get there, just do the game plan and then be patient.

Q. Outside of fairways and greens, what's your specific game plan when you have come to Galgorm?

WICHANEE MEECHAI: Just if the pin was tucked like hard, just go in the middle and then you can make the long putt, too. Like that.

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Q. And you've been doing that.

WICHANEE MEECHAI: Yeah, I've been doing this.

Q. You and I have talked a lot lately it seems like. You've had some good finishes on Tour.

WICHANEE MEECHAI: Yeah, this year.

Q. Last week a top 30 at a major --

WICHANEE MEECHAI: I have 20 birdies last week.

Q. 20 birdies last week at Evian?

WICHANEE MEECHAI: Yeah, but it's a lot of 6s.

Q. But when you can put up that kind of numbers and birdies, I think somebody told me if you can have as many birdies as the winner, then you're right there, you just have to eliminate some mistakes. Do you feel like that's all you really have to do right now is eliminate some mistakes?

WICHANEE MEECHAI: Yes, for the game plan. I think when you make a mistakes you just don't stick with the game plan. That's it.

Q. How easy or -- the course is challenging here, but it seems scorable. Is it possible to go low tomorrow?

WICHANEE MEECHAI: Sure, because a lot of par-5s, I can reach it, and I hit the irons, like the second shots so good, I can go low, yeah.

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