

# Cognizant Founders Cup

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West Caldwell, New Jersey, USA

Mountain Ridge Country Club

**Elizabeth Szokol**

Quick Quotes



**Q. Here with Elizabeth Szokol. Had a 3-under 68 today. What was going so well for you out there?**

ELIZABETH SZOKOL: I hit my irons really good today. Gave myself a lot of opportunities. Last week I didn't hit the best tee shots, so really worked on that coming into this week.

Fairways are definitely important. The rough is pretty penalizing. So hit a lot of fairways and had some good chances with my irons, which was great.

**Q. Had a pretty colorful scorecard. Take us through the eagle on 15.**

ELIZABETH SZOKOL: Sure. That was great. Had a good drive down the middle. I had 234 pin. Hit a solid 3-wood to about three feet and knocked it in for eagle, which was a fun way to start the round.

**Q. Obviously Mountain Ridge, we've heard it's a little bit of a major championship vibes out there. How did you find the course today?**

ELIZABETH SZOKOL: It definitely has that feel for sure. My first practice round out here, it definitely has major championships feels.

As I said, the rough is really penalizing, so emphasis on hitting fairways this week. So that kind of led to a little bit of a colorful scorecard. When I was in the fairway I had some good chances for birdie, otherwise it was definitely a grind to save par.

**Q. It was softer earlier in the week. I'm curious, has it firmed up at all out there? And if it has, how has that changed the dynamic of the course?**

ELIZABETH SZOKOL: Not quite. It was sit pretty soft out there today. Could definitely be aggressive with some iron shots and I had some shorter clubs in today, so could be aggressive with certain pins, but definitely have to play smart with some pin placements out there today.

**Q. Any adjustments heading into tomorrow to continue your good play?**

ELIZABETH SZOKOL: Just going to hit a few balls on the range, make sure I keep hitting fairways, roll a few putts. I definitely had a lot of chances, so hope to see a few more go in tomorrow.

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