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Upper Montclair Country Club

Frida Kinhult

Quick Quotes



Q. Here with Frida Kinhult after a really solid start to the week here. I know we're reshuffling after this week here. As a rookie, that's important. How do you feel about having gotten off to such a good start?

FRIDA KINHULT: It was big. Obviously that's in my head as well with the reshuffle coming out. For the rest of the season, you want to be high on the CME points list as well.

No, just trying to grind it out. Had a really good day on the greens today, so that was helpful. Say, like two, three mistakes, but other than that, it was pretty easy out there. So it was fun.

Q. What are some of your personal highlights out there?

FRIDA KINHULT: I think I made, I think like four or five putts that were like 20 feet or more, so putting was absolutely the best part of the game today.

Q. What have you found on the greens that's been working so well?

FRIDA KINHULT: I've been working really hard on my putting. I have a putting project this year to hit 10,000 putts and drills in practice. So my putting coach and I have been putting a lot of hours. I think we're about 5,000 putts this year so far, and it's showing off on the course, which is fun. No, just get a trusted line and hit it.

Q. These greens out here, probably from what I can tell, about the only teeth the golf course has in it. Are they as quick as they look?

FRIDA KINHULT: They're very quick. I think they're very consistent, which makes golf easier. I think all players are happy with the conditions out here. No, they're rolling great. The ball is going where you hit it. So, no, it's great fun.

Q. Again, kind of the golf course, really didn't have a lot in front of you. For you, does that free up your ball

striking? You're a pretty good ball striker.

FRIDA KINHULT: It's more like a ball striking course, I'd say. It's a couple of tight tee shots and some crazy greens with a lot of undulations and pretty big ones. It's more like, not ball striking tournament, but more like all around golf tournament instead of just a putting competition. Worked well the first day, so we'll just hope for three more days like that.

Q. Saw you just recently qualified for the U.S. Women's Open. How much confidence did that give you headed into this week?

FRIDA KINHULT: It was fun. It was Tuesday, so it's been a lot of golf the last couple of days, 36 holes on Tuesday. Hit the ball pretty good out there. Putting wasn't the best, and the greens were just aerated. So it was tough but just kept patient and kept accepting it that day, which was like you just have to accept that a couple little bumps both directions.

No, it's also like obviously a confidence boost, hitting it good and going into this week. Just made it two days ago, so feeling good.

Q. And then just the rest of the week, I know it's early, it's only Thursday, but still being 5-under and just a few back of the lead, what positives are you going to carry with you today into the rest of the week, besides the putting?

FRIDA KINHULT: No, just be patient. Try to hit fairways and greens and be patient and go from there. Grinding it out.

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