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Quick Quotes

ATTHAYA THITIKULL: Yesterday afternoon I have a talk with my coach. My coach tells me, you have to think every final round, you hit a solid round. He would say, just go and have fun and do what you have to and be aggressive as you can because. Maybe first three days I would say I came in a bit safe, so it's hard to make it, and today I just do what he talked to me and be aggressive. Then I gave myself a lot of chance today as well.

Q. You were definitely aggressive today. Let's start with that front nine. Being able to make the turn in 30, having those consecutive streaks of birdies out there, when did you really start to feel everything clicking for you?

ATTHAYA THITIKULL: I would say at first at the driving range I would say I just kept telling myself just go have fun and kick in. On No. 3 I hit a really good shot. No. 3, it's a really tough hole, really tough green to be close to the pin. So I hit it pretty close, and I make it. I was, like, okay, let's go enjoy, have fun as you want to be.

Q. How much fun was that front nine for you?

ATTHAYA THITIKULL: It was really fun. It was really fun. Aggressive, as he said to me, and then keep rolling the putt really well.

Q. Three more birdies on 12, 13, and 14. What was going right there? Walk me through those birdies?

ATTHAYA THITIKULL: It's not pretty much. 12 was a par-5, and I make birdie every day as well, so it's not pretty much on there. I hit it pretty close on 13. 14 was a par-5. Just rolling the putt really well today as well.

Q. Despite a bogey on 17, to be able to close with a birdie, you tied the low round of the week, like I said earlier. How do you feel just walking off the course and how confident and more comfortable do you feel in your game after being able to kind of turn it around after the last three days?



ATTHAYA THITIKULL: I would say, like I say and like my coach say. He said to me, you look like you play a bit safe, like, first round and second round.

Look at you after. Every single final round you hit a pretty good solid round every day. He was, like, just be you and be aggressive as you can and no matter what happen, it's just like another day playing golf out here.

Q. You seem to be and you have shown that when you are aggressive, good results do come. Is that kind of the adopted mentality moving forward through this summer swing?

ATTHAYA THITIKULL: Yeah. That's why. That's what he said to me. You're being aggressive, and you had a very good charge. Why don't you be aggressive the first day and second day as well? I say, like, I want to be. I want to.

Being aggressive is good, but in the opposite way, if it's not good, your day is gone. Yeah, just like that.

Q. Then we had that fog delay this morning. We've all dealt with rain delays before in the LPGA Tour and on the Ladies European Tour. For you what was it like to still have that aggressive mentality but know that every 15 minutes you didn't know if you were going to be teeing off for some time?

ATTHAYA THITIKULL: Just joking with my coach and my caddie and my managers. I knew it's going to be delay. On the putting green they were, like, it's going to be delayed for sure, but just keep myself stretched and warming muscles to be ready to tee off.

Q. What will you focus on during this off week? What will you do before gearing up for the summer swing of events?

ATTHAYA THITIKULL: Happy that my coach is here. He got here Monday last week, so I got more confident with being with him, working with him last week as well, and happy that he will be with me next week as well. It's a week off, so I can work something more a little bit before

match-play and U.S. Women's.

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