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Upper Montclair Country Club

Sei Young Kim

Quick Quotes

Q. Okay, for your round today you had no bogeys. It's like a pretty difficult course. How did you manage the challenges and the mistakes today?

SEI YOUNG KIM: This course is what I -- favorite course, so this course is kind of lot of tree both side, and keep the fairway it's really important this week.

So, yeah, we need a good strategy and a good hit. And, yeah, greens are really fast, way faster than when I practice round. Yeah, it's go out to play on the really fast speed green.

Q. Yeah. With the greens, how important is just putting going to be this week in general? I know that was a big challenge last year for everybody.

SEI YOUNG KIM: I mean, if short going to come back to all the way down, so really need to -- from the second shot you really need to really ride the number.

Yeah, greens are really pure. Yeah, I like the New York golf course, so it's good. It's good. I mean, same as where I practice in Dallas.

Q. Okay. Cool. Of all your birdies today, any particularly stand out as really good shots, putts, highlights at all?

SEI YOUNG KIM: I had two lucky shot. I miss hole 16 -- no, no, 15 par-5 little right side, but it's keep the good bounce and it makes -- it's almost a tap-in birdie.

That's a highlight today.

Q. You played here last year, right?

SEI YOUNG KIM: Yeah.

Q. How much more comfortable are you maybe this year from last year with that being the first time anybody had seen the course last year?



SEI YOUNG KIM: I mean, first it's always exciting to play the first time new course, but this is the second time. It's more familiar and then it's getting used to it.

So, yeah, I mean, learn a lot from the last year, because this week really need the good tee shot, yeah.

If you're good tee shot you had a good advantages on par-5. It's pretty good reachable, even like you can hit the (indiscernible) Yeah.

Q. Awesome. And last question: You're a past champion in this event. I know not at this course, but wondering how special and meaningful playing in the Founders Cup is for you and what you remember from your win.

SEI YOUNG KIM: I mean, especially this tournament, the Founders Cup, so it's mean a lot because of the couple legend players, legacy players, so we had a chance to meet them 18. Really glad to meet them.

Yeah, that's kind of good emotional share with them, so it's really special tournament to me.

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