

LPGA Qualifying Tournament Stage II

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Plantation Golf and Country Club

Maddi Caldwell-Young

Quick Quotes

Q. Another solid round today. You're right in the mix again. Birdie-birdie finish.

MADDI CALDWELL-YOUNG: Yes.

Q. Take us through your round.

MADDI CALDWELL-YOUNG: I was a little bit nervous. I think that's pretty typical. I haven't really been in this position a lot, so I'm trying to just get comfortable.

Nothing is ever supposed to be comfortable. I should take that back actually. I just wanted to keep making birdies, but I just didn't see the ball going in the hole as well as I did yesterday.

So I just tried to have as many looks at it as I could, and then I finally, even in the sunset and the dark, I actually saw the last two going in. So it felt good, yeah.

Q. What's been your strength throughout the week? Putting is at a premium with the two different greens speeds, but what's been working for you?

MADDI CALDWELL-YOUNG: I feel like a little bit of everything. Like one thing is not really better than the other, so maybe my mind. (Laughs.)

Q. Having Joe on the bag, too?

MADDI CALDWELL-YOUNG: Of course.

Q. Sounds like that's been a fruitful relationship so far.

MADDI CALDWELL-YOUNG: Yeah, definitely. I think having the, like what do you call it? (Indiscernible.) Well, that too.

Q. Demeanor? Collaboration?

MADDI CALDWELL-YOUNG: Yes. Like help. What's the word when you --



Q. Gel?

MADDI CALDWELL-YOUNG: No.

Q. Mesh? I love this. It's great. It's fun.

MADDI CALDWELL-YOUNG: No, he's helping me affirm my decisions. Like that's what --

Q. Affirmations?

MADDI CALDWELL-YOUNG: Yeah, whatever. It's what I'm trying to say. He's helping me not second guess myself out there, with my decisions, so...

Q. How has it been? Obviously you have a lot of family support out here. I know Zach just missed it yesterday. Did you talk to him last night?

MADDI CALDWELL-YOUNG: Oh, yeah. We had a little cry. Well, I had a little cry. I didn't talk to him on the phone, but he's good. I'm happy for him either way.

I think it's God's plan. I don't know what he's going to do. Hopefully he'll keep pressing forward.

Q. Did he have any words of wisdom or cheering you on last night?

MADDI CALDWELL-YOUNG: I won't repeat what he said. There was a little bit of a cuss word in there. He said just try to break the record I did yesterday. I didn't. I fell short, but I still had some good positive things to head into tomorrow.

Q. Having your family around and husband around has to be a nice security blanket.

MADDI CALDWELL-YOUNG: Yeah, it is. It is. Like when other people are out there it's nice to see -- have like familiar faces and a little crowd out there. It was good.

Q. Heading to Bobcat tomorrow. Green speeds are a little bit different. I've heard the surfaces are a little bit



different.

MADDI CALDWELL-YOUNG: Yes.

Q. What's your prep going to look like?

MADDI CALDWELL-YOUNG: The greens are bigger so that's nice. I don't know. I think I'm just going to go get some food and sleep and keep doing what we're doing. I don't really have any extra prep. They're firmer, so I'm going to make sure I account for that.

Q. Can't help but notice you're wearing Kennesaw colors today. Any of your former teammates reached out?

MADDI CALDWELL-YOUNG: Actually the new coach that is there reached out to me and she's been very supportive, and the whole team has been very supportive. It's nice. I think we're going to go and catch up with them after the season is over. Talk with the team and stuff.

Q. So mindset heading into tomorrow? Obviously you played with quite a young phenom so far.

MADDI CALDWELL-YOUNG: Yeah.

Q. You're going to be chasing her tomorrow. What's the mindset?

MADDI CALDWELL-YOUNG: Focus on myself. No one else matters but me and the course, so I'm just going to keep focusing on trying to make birdies and that's it.

Q. With such a good position you put yourself in, does that let you go, I'm good now?

MADDI CALDWELL-YOUNG: I never feel good. I just want to keep going.

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