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The Club at Carlton Woods

Megan Khang

Quick Quotes

Q. Megan, you were one of the lucky ones to finish last night, so came here rested today. How was your day overall?

MEGAN KHANG: You know, I was definitely happy to finish last night. That was a big goal of mine. I saw from like a video there was one of me just saying, "we're done." I didn't realize you guys caught that.

But it was nice to just kind of come out here and just know that I had 18 holes ahead and just got to give it my best. Whether or not we come out here to finish our rounds or to keep going or start a new one, we always try our best. It was nice knowing that I only had 18 to play.

Q. Coming down the stretch after the turn, had a little bit of a struggle there. What was going on, and how did you recover from that?

MEGAN KHANG: I mean, 10 was kind of a hiccup. I kind of was a little too defensive on the putt. Thought it was going to be a lot quicker. But hiccups happen out here, and was able to bounce back with a birdie on 11.

Par-5, I got a little unlucky, tried to get as close as I could up there, but just got a little pull on the second shot and then had to kind of punch out. But you know, made really good strokes at it.

Then 14, I just kind of -- I had a brain fart. That was definitely not the place to miss. Made a note of that in my yardage book. But it's going to happen, and Jack is out there trying to make sure I'm calm and try to not let me take it to the round.

Q. Having a string of birdies before that, does that give you the confidence to know I can make mistakes but still make birdies?

MEGAN KHANG: I mean, definitely. I think everyone knows kind of mistakes are going to happen, and to try to minimize it the best we can is our goal.



I know like as soon as I missed it right on 14, I was like, okay, no matter what, let's give ourselves a putt. The mistake already happened, let's do our best to try to get a par putt at it and if not walk away with bogey because it already happened; you can't cry over spilled milk.

Q. Looking ahead to tomorrow, are you thinking about what numbers you've got to shoot or looking at the leaderboard to try and decide what you need to do tomorrow to get a win?

MEGAN KHANG: Honestly, the pressure is on for all of us. I didn't take a big look at the leaderboard, but it looks to be a pretty crowded leaderboard up there, and on this golf course, anything can happen, whether if the wind picks up or they move some tees forward or back. It's definitely going to be interesting, and that's what majors call for.

Q. What are the nerves like? Are you feeling excited, nervous at all? What's the mentality?

MEGAN KHANG: You know, I told myself a lot of times I would get nervous over the tee, and I was kind of told nervous energy is kind of, quote-unquote, negative energy, so I've been trying to tell myself I'm excited to get out there because excited energy is a lot more positive. I'm definitely excited to get the Sunday started, but for now, I'm excited to get food.

Q. I heard you on 17 laughing with your caddie. You said, that's the kind of confidence everyone needs, and then you stuffed it. Is there a story there?

MEGAN KHANG: No, so I actually love playing with A Lim. I think people need to hear kind of the self-talk she gives herself. She hit a pretty good shot into 17, obviously it kind of rolled out to the left, and she came over to her caddie, her caddie said, "good shot," and she goes, "I can make it." I was like, that is absolutely the confidence everyone could have, should have, and needs. She doesn't even know how far it is, let alone -- she's like, it's on the green, I can make it. I love that. She's super fun to play with. She's super animated, and I think it's just a very feel-good environment when playing with her.



Q. What did you see on your shot on 17, and could you tell how close it was from the tee?

MEGAN KHANG: I, if you couldn't tell, am very short. I knew I hit a great shot. I knew it was on the straight line I wanted, and you can always tell how good of a shot it is by the crowd, but I didn't realize it was that close. It's a nice way to walk off.

I joke with Jack, 17 is for the children, and we've been very fortunate to birdie it all three days, and I keep telling him, maybe we've just got to say it's for the children for every hole. Definitely happy to get three birdies on that hole and hopefully a fourth, but we'll see.

Q. I see you laughing and smiling out there a lot. Is that the way you are, or is that just a product of this week or what?

MEGAN KHANG: I'm a very - how do you say - fun person. I always joke, like my caddie and I, we have a good time out there. We always joke if a mic caught all our conversations we'd get in a little trouble. Most times we're not even talking about golf, we're just kind of messing around talking about different topics. I think that's kind of what we need out there. We're out there grinding for five and a half hours, including warmup. You've got to have that little release when you're in between shots.

We try to make it a good time, and obviously those hiccups get in the way, but it's just golf. You've got to bounce back.

Q. What was the best part of today? What was the most memorable conversation?

MEGAN KHANG: That is private. Yeah, we're going to keep that private. No, Jack and I have a good time, and yeah, I'll keep it confidential.

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