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The Club at Carlton Woods

Lottie Woad

Press Conference



THE MODERATOR: Here with Lottie Woad after her first round at the Chevron Championship. Your first start in a major championship. Take us through the day.

LOTTIE WOAD: Yeah, it was a fun day. It was pretty up and down. Made a few too many mistakes, but an under-par round is good in a major championship, so I'm happy with that.

Q. Really good considering how the conditions were playing out there. Were you surprised with yourself? Were you impressed with yourself? That was a really good score compared to some of the pros out here.

LOTTIE WOAD: Yeah, I was happy. Definitely grinded out a few holes, made a few good par putts. Kind of messed up a few clubs on some holes that the greens were really firm, so I was kind of running through the green, so going to try and adapt a little bit for tomorrow on that.

Q. What were the nerves feeling like off the first tee and how did you manage yourself, your expectations as you were teeing it off this morning or early this afternoon?

LOTTIE WOAD: Yeah, I was pretty nervous on my first hole. I had a pretty nery start. Didn't hit a good drive and went long and had to hole like a five-, six-footer for bogey, but once I holed that, I was fine for the rest of the round.

Q. What were some of the biggest challenges out there besides the nerves?

LOTTIE WOAD: Probably the wind was swirling quite a lot. Some of my shots were just going through the wind and some were getting caught in the wind, so I didn't really know what was going on with that.

Some of the pins on a few holes were tucked a little bit, and you had to just play away from them because of the firmness. Probably just the wind and the firmness of the greens.

Q. Obviously you played at Augusta National not two weeks ago. How did playing at a course like that and winning there prepare you for the challenge of this course?

LOTTIE WOAD: I think getting used to having to aim away from the pins because you definitely had to do that at Augusta and there's certain pins you can definitely not go at, and the same here, so getting used to moving my target and not just going at the pins, which you can do in college. You can just go at every pin, and usually the greens are pretty soft.

Q. Now that you have one round under your belt, what are your expectations or your goals for yourself tomorrow?

LOTTIE WOAD: Just to continue to play well. I'm probably aiming to minimize my mistakes a little bit. Had a lot of birdies today but also a lot of bogeys, so just maybe try a little bit more par golf for some holes.

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