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Brooke Henderson

Quick Quotes

Q. Nice to see you again. It's been a while.

BROOKE HENDERSON: I know, it has been, a long time.

Q. I'm curious, first of all, you had big crowds with you and Jeeno. Nice playing back in Canada I'm sure. How did that feel and how was the Brooke Brigade today?

BROOKE HENDERSON: Yeah, it was a great pairing. World No. 1, Jeeno, great player, and then Lottie, who was on a bit of a hot streak before coming here.

So it was definitely a great pairing, and it was really cool to see all the red and white, all the fans out there supporting us. Hopefully tomorrow give them some more things to cheer for.

But I'm happy to finish the day at even. Hopefully be a little better tomorrow.

Q. Seemed like and you Jeeno were having a lot of fun out there, having sort of ongoing conversation. What were you guys chatting about?

BROOKE HENDERSON: Yeah, Jeeno is a great person. Really easy to talk to. Yeah, she was asking me a couple questions. I heard she was revealing that I have a sweet tooth. I was telling her about it.

She's just a great player and has a really nice presence on the course, so makes it really nice to play with her.

Q. So you're standing there on I guess the 13th hole, the second par-5; ball in the trees. How do you regroup from that after you hit that shot left?

BROOKE HENDERSON: Yeah, honestly, it was like really unfortunate start that I had, and it was really tough to kind of come back from that. But I feel like Brit and I, we stayed really gritty and kind of grinded it out.

Just grateful we were able to get it back to even. I feel like



lots of good things going into tomorrow, so just try to keep the momentum going.

Q. Is that one of those holes where there is a big number in play and you made bogey, right?

BROOKE HENDERSON: Yeah, I was pretty impressed that. (Laughter.) Yeah.

Q. It's okay to be impressed with yourself.

BROOKE HENDERSON: Yeah, because it was just sort of like, what happened? Brit said like -- I said, I want to club down on the next one and she's like, I think you need to hit 3-wood. I was like, well, did you just see that one so far left? She was like, yeah, but that never happens.

So just to try to come back that and I was just thinking, okay, if I can just minimize the error and try to make bogey, and was able to hit a really close one in there for my fifth shot. So, yeah, like I said, I feel like we just grinded it out really well today and just need to be a little better tomorrow.

Q. Seemed like you had a lot of success on the greens. I think just 24 putts today.

BROOKE HENDERSON: Yeah.

Q. What were you seeing out there with your short game?

BROOKE HENDERSON: Yeah, well, unfortunately I missed a lot of greens today. I only hit nine greens. The putter really bailed me out, especially the chipping. I feel like I was wedging it pretty close and getting myself out of trouble.

Q. So when you have a round like that where you're saving it a lot with your short game, that must give you confidence going into tomorrow because you know you're going turn your ball striking around.

BROOKE HENDERSON: Yeah, thanks. Yeah, I hope so. I started to there on the back nine. Yeah, it does give you



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confidence when you can be gritty and can grind it out and depend on those clubs. They're the scoring clubs, and sometimes when you can have faith in them and trust them, definitely does make everything else a little easier.

Q. You talked yesterday about looking at clips of yourself at 14. There is a 15 year old amateur tied for the lead. I don't know how much you know her, but when you think about what she accomplished today, what are your thoughts on that?

BROOKE HENDERSON: Yeah, that's really cool. She has been playing well all summer, so it's pretty cool to see, especially on a big stage like this. Yeah, just keep it going and ride the momentum for the weekend.

Q. Here with Brooke Henderson. Brooke, excellent finish to your rounds out there today. First round CPKC Women's Open. How would you sum up your day overall?

BROOKE HENDERSON: Yeah, wasn't the start I was looking for but I feel like Brit and I stayed gritty and grinded it out when we needed to which was really a lot of physios take away from that. Really proud of that. Was able to finish strong, so happy to get it back to even par.

Feel like it's a clean slate for tomorrow morning. Get out early and hopefully just really capitalize on the early morning conditions.

Q. It seemed like it was actually the putter today. Would you agree with that?

BROOKE HENDERSON: Yeah, at times it was really feeling nice. I feel like I made a couple up and downs that really saved my round.

Always trying to improve a little bit more, and I'm hoping just over the next couple days to give myself more birdie opportunities and hit more greens, get inside that 15, 20 feet and roll in some putts.

Q. Knowing the way you finished so well, the fact that you do have that quick turnaround in the morning, how does that make you feel to try to capitalize on the momentum?

BROOKE HENDERSON: Yeah, definitely. I feel like we have a little momentum rolling right now, really nice finish. So, yeah, just going to be really short night; tee off really early tomorrow. So just get a nice dinner, nice rest, and then hopefully get like you said, come out and try to make some early birdies.

Q. The classic thing that happens every year CPKC Women's Open, a lot of fan support to out there for you. When things aren't going maybe as well, does that help to really lift you up?

BROOKE HENDERSON: Yeah, everyone was really trying to give me a lot of support out there, especially in that tough stretch there. They were really supportive. It's just so cool to walk the fairways and just hear my name and, go, Canada and see all the red and white. It's just so meaningful to play here in Canada.

Every time I have the opportunity to do it it's so special, so hopefully I'll give them some more things to cheer about tomorrow.

Q. How would you sum up the day?

BROOKE HENDERSON: Yeah, definitely happy with how I finished the round. It was an unfortunate start, but feel like we stayed pretty gritty and tried to grind it out as much as we could. Didn't hit a lot of greens today. Something to improve on that for tomorrow, and just giving myself some more birdie opportunities. Feel like I scrambled around a little bit today.

I'm proud of that but just need to be a little bit better tomorrow.

Q. You seem to get the windiest part of the day. Did that affect hitting greens?

BROOKE HENDERSON: Definitely, yeah, it was pretty windy there at times. When you kind of got into trouble it was hard to trust it sometimes. But I feel like tomorrow should be pretty nice conditions. Early morning should be a little bit softer and hopefully get off (indiscernible.)

Q. Was there any sense that -- you were talking before about the stuff between the ears. Any sense of an improvement there?

BROOKE HENDERSON: Yeah, definitely at times today I was in a better spot, which is really nice. A lot of positives to take away from that. So hopefully just continue on.

And I think making a few early birdies tomorrow will definitely help me get settled in.

Q. Does it every get old to be cheered on by the Brooke Brigade?

BROOKE HENDERSON: It's so awesome, yeah. Hopefully I can give them something more to cheer for. Their support is so meaningful to me and so special to be



able to play at home and in front of everybody. Just a lot of, go, Brooks out there, go Canadas, a lot of red and white. It's a lot of fun to see.

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