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Quick Quotes

Q. Solid round out there today. Walk me through your day. Playing with Natalie Gulbis, kind of an LPGA legend. How was that?

ADITI ASHOK: Yeah, that was pretty cool. I remember I was like 10, 11 years old when I first saw her at Evian. I had gone for a junior tournament, so it was really cool to play with her in an LPGA event. It was a fun group. We played pretty quick, so the pace was good, too.

Yeah, the round was -- it started off kind of slow. I was just hitting a lot of greens, didn't hole anything, but I think back nine it really picked up. I hit it close on a couple and I holed a couple putts, which was good.

Q. That four-hole stretch you made four birdies in a row, and I just realized you were bogey free. What did you see out there that was working so well?

ADITI ASHOK: Yeah, I think my putting was a lot better than the last three weeks and much more like my usual self. I think the last three weeks, I couldn't lean on my putting as much, and I just changed putters this week, and it's kind of working good. Yeah, bogey free is always the bogey for me, especially on a course like this. I think it's kind of tricky, so if you do bogey free, I think you're doing good around this place.

Q. Do you remember what the putter was and what you changed to?

ADITI ASHOK: Yeah, it's a similar blade. It's just much lighter. It was too heavy for me, and I ended up leaving a bunch of them short. I have a lighter one at home, but it's in India, so I had to go to Callaway and they made me the same Odyssey putter that I had, just lighter, so that's the only difference.

Q. How were you able to see the lines out there?

ADITI ASHOK: Yeah, I think I let go of any expectations because when you're around the hole, especially inside 10 feet, you want to make every single one, but sometimes it



just doesn't happen on these greens and you just have to accept that. That was my mentality going into the week, as well, that I'm hitting the ball good, so just continue doing that, and if the putts drop, it's great, otherwise at least I'm in position to not really drop shots.

Q. 66s are always nice; what will you take with you from today as you look ahead?

ADITI ASHOK: Yeah, just definitely trying to do more of the same stuff tomorrow. I feel like the driving could have been better for me, but the approach shots were pretty good, so try and do the same stuff, hitting into the greens, try and stay in position, and we'll work on some drives today.

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