TOTO Japan Classic

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Omitama, Ibaraki, Japan

Taihelyo Club Minori Course

Shuri Sakuma

Press Conference

THE MODERATOR: Joining us after the 2026 TOTO Japan Classic is our champion, Shura Sakuma. Shura, you had an incredible round today. Can you just talk about what was going through your head especially during the stretch of five birdies?

SHURI SAKUMA: Actually I wasn't thinking about winning because the theme of today, my goal was to get 5-under, so I was just focused on my play during the day.

THE MODERATOR: You have had four wins prior to this this year. How did those wins prepare you for this tournament?

SHURI SAKUMA: Actually I could win at the beginning of the season, but it took a while to get a second win. Actually that second win was the biggest win for me in my season this year, and that win actually gave my confidence and that led me to win this tournament on U.S. LPGA Tour.

THE MODERATOR: What does it mean to win an LPGA Tour event in your home country?

SHURI SAKUMA: Actually at the beginning of the year I wanted to play in this tournament but I couldn't. My goal was to play, and actually this year I managed to win, so it's kind of special win for me.

THE MODERATOR: Questions.

(Q & A in Japanese.)

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