

Women's Olympic Golf Competition

Wednesday, 4 August 2021

Saitama City, Saitama, Japan

Kasumigaseki Country Club

Nelly Korda

Quick Quotes

Q. Is any single part of the game more tricky when it it's this hot?

NELLY KORDA: No, I think just everything in general. I think the mental aspect of it is probably the hardest just because you have to keep yourself, you have to keep yourself hydrated and you kind of lose it a little out there. Like when I was teeing up some balls I definitely felt a little light headed. But kept myself in it, made sure I drank a lot of electrolytes too.

Q. Do you have a like a specific thing in mind in terms of rehydrating like every two holes, every three holes, what do you do?

NELLY KORDA: I drink a couple ties a hole definitely out here. We were talking, probably drinking a water bottle a hole would probably be sufficient, but you get so sick of water. After I'm like, I don't want to see water, give me some juice.

Q. Brandel said at the Evian you drove it statistically better than you ever have in your life. Do you agree with that and if so why?

NELLY KORDA: Yeah, I drove it really well at Evian, I've always kind of struggled there on greens. I was hitting it to 5, 10 feet, whatever, whatnot, and I just couldn't make anything. I still haven't figured out the greens out there. But I'm hitting it solid and if I'm giving myself looks at birdie, I'm eventually going to make a few.

Q. You looked in total control down there, especially down the back nine. Did it feel like that?

NELLY KORDA: Yeah, I mean I'm hoping I'm in total control, it's golf at the end of the day. I kind of sprayed some shots out to the right on my last two holes with my irons, but you're going to have that, you're going to lose a little bit of concentration, but I'm going to go to the range after, after I cool off inside for a bit and then try and work



on it.

Q. Some people were saying that the course feels long. Does it feel long to you?

NELLY KORDA: It's definitely firmed up. It's really hot out so it's flying further. I mean, I'm pretty sure the carry on that bunker today on 18 was like 250 or 240-something and I flew it just easily. So it's flying far, but the greens have definitely firmed up from the men. I remember JT was saying and Patrick they were saying how soft it was. And you can kind of see it on the color of the greens, they're kind of getting a little browner and there's just some spots that just like ricochet.

Q. When you look at the top 14 in the world for the women showed up here this week, why does it seem to be a little bit more of a priority for the women than the men?

NELLY KORDA: I don't know that question or that answer. I mean, I'm pretty sure Rory answered it this week too. Honestly, it's just such a hard part in our schedule too this year. Especially with COVID. But Rory even said, you know, once you actually get to compete in the Olympics you want to come back. So it's a huge honor to represent your country and to be an Olympian and the fact that Jess and I qualified together was an easy yes.

Q. Any word from your dad on competing in something like this, any input from him?

NELLY KORDA: No, but the first thing was to work on my putting. The speed of my putts. That's the first thing he said to me. I mean, I kind of think like by now this is my fifth year on Tour that I would hopefully kind of know how to handle these situations. You learn the most from your own experience, it's really easy for someone else to tell you how it's going to be or how you should handle situations, but everyone else handles situations differently, so the best is learning from experiences. But they definitely are a big part of our team. They have a big voice and super grateful for them. And especially now because I'm going to go putt too.

