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Nataliya Guseva

Quick Quotes

Q. All right, here with Nataliya Guseva. Went out with quite a good shot there on the last hole. Walk us through that hole-out on 18.

NATALIYA GUSEVA: I mean, honestly, the whole day, you know, it wasn't kind of -- I wasn't kind of in my momentum, so it was definitely nice to get that hole-out.

But I hit it firstly in the bunker and had to hit it out, and then after that had a good number for my 50-degrees wedge. Just tried to kind of dialed in, and when I saw the ball kind of rolling and people were starting to scream, that was probably one the best feelings.

The whole year I've been so close to like making a hole-out or hole-in-one, so even Jeff was kind of joking that maybe today I'm going to win the car, something like that.

But it was nice to finish the tournament like this, so, yeah.

Q. What was the yardage on that shot?

NATALIYA GUSEVA: It was 98 meters.

Q. For you to finish like that, obviously back was against the wall this week; needed to something special. Projected into CME next week. How does that feel?

NATALIYA GUSEVA: It feels amazing. Coming into this week I didn't really expect anything, just shot by shot, hole by hole and kind of had that animal mentality. Just was trying to go for every pin and give myself all the chances that I could give myself.

So, yeah, and then made it.

Q. Starting out everyone has a chance, and it seemed like Linn and Jennifer separated and then Linn come off. What was it like? Was it deflating in a way to see Linn go 53 holes without a bogey?



NATALIYA GUSEVA: Yeah, for sure. It was one of the best probably play I've ever seen her play out here.

It was just nice to see great golf from her and from Jennifer as well. They're both like really good, experienced players. Both of them Solheim Cup players. It's just nice to walk the fairways with them and being in the last group.

Q. You mentioned that you didn't have any expectations about getting to next week, but at what point do you look at the leaderboard or the projected standings and say, you know what, I do have a chance?

NATALIYA GUSEVA: Oh, yes. Honestly it was even from the beginning. Just every week I'm trying to win the tournament. I'm not just coming out here to make the cut or you know get into top 10 or something like that.

So to me it's always like I have that mentality to win the tournament. Even today, you know, like coming for the first few holes like I was doing my best but I understood that Linn had the best round that she could, the last one, so just was kind of still like hoping to make it.

Q. Linn really didn't leave an opening for anybody, did she?

NATALIYA GUSEVA: For sure. For sure. Really happy for her. Great win.

Q. Anyone can win \$4 million next week.

NATALIYA GUSEVA: Exactly. Probably it's a better place to win it, better tournament. I would rather win next one than this one. (Laughter.) I mean, money-wise.

But, yeah, just will try to enjoy the next week and do my best.

Q. Do you like that idea, that it's just one player up for grabs, the whole...

NATALIYA GUSEVA: Yeah. I mean, yeah, it's kind of

. . . when all is said, we're done.

cool, you know, to have that big check in the end of the year. No one knows who it's going to be. No. 1 can win it but also No. 60 can win it. It's a nice thing that gives a chance to all the girls to win \$4 million.

Q. For you be really nice if 57 wins it, right?

NATALIYA GUSEVA: Yeah, exactly.

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