The Amundi Evian Championship

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Brooke Henderson

Quick Quotes

Q. Really want to go through this front nine here. Just a 29 on the first nine holes. To have a start like that, what was it like for you?

BROOKE HENDERSON: Yeah, the front nine was a lot of fun. I was really enjoying myself out there. Felt like I was doing everything properly. I was hitting a lot of fairways, greens, giving myself good looks.

Then I made a couple really long putts which was really a bonus. Yeah, the front nine was really great.

Unfortunate to drop a few shots on the back nine, but I guess that's what makes it a major championship. This course can jump up at any time so you have to stay patient.

It was nice to get a birdie on 15 to get one shot back. That was nice.

Q. Thinking of the start you had, you said the game is close, that you have been working through the up and down stretch. To have a start like that how satisfying does it feel when all the pieces are clicking?

BROOKE HENDERSON: Yeah, exactly. It felt, everything is clicking, this is great. Things are starting to pay off. Not only close, but I'm actually putting it into action. So that was a lot of confidence right there.

Hopefully just go out tomorrow and do something similar.

Q. How much was 15 just a reset to start over and just walk away from the last couple holes?

BROOKE HENDERSON: Yeah, 15 was really nice, and especially not even really having to putt. It was just a couple inches to tap-in. Was great to get the birdie, one shot back.

I was trying to get another birdie to make it feel a little bit better today, climb the leaderboard a little bit more; just have to birdie one or two tomorrow.

Q. You did kind of something similar last year in the



final round. You kind of reset after a certain point. What is it about this golf course where you have that ability, where you can have a couple rough holes and you can kind of grind it out and get yourself back on track?

BROOKE HENDERSON: This golf course is really unique, because there are lots of birdie opportunities if you're hitting it really well.

If you're not hitting it well it's a grind and you're making bogeys. So it's kind of when things are going well you can really capitalize and move up. When things are not going well, you really just got to be gritty and kind of be tough and try to get shots back later on in the round.

Q. How have you learned to be able to do that? I feel like that's something younger Brooke may not have done as well. Now you have that poise where you can go, okay, double birdie, whatever, we'll make a birdie, get things back on track?

BROOKE HENDERSON: Well thanks. Yeah, I feel like that's what every golf is kind of working towards, trying to figure that out. Some days it's much easier than others.

I think today, doubles are going to happen. It's major, it's Saturday, people are trying to push. That makes mistakes.

This golf course is just hard sometimes. So doubles, bogeys they're going to happen. You just got to shake it off the best you can and make some birdies.

Q. You're a player that likes to chase. Heading into tomorrow with past history here, what's that going to be like chasing for you? Are you just going to attack, go for it, nothing to lose?

BROOKE HENDERSON: Yeah, I'm really excited for tomorrow because I feel like my ball striking is in a really good spot, so I feel like I can give myself a lot of good birdie looks hopefully and hopefully capitalize on a few of them.

If I could get the start I had today that would be amazing. So try that and be stronger on the back nine.

Q. You made 17 birdies since the beginning of the

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

week. What will be your strategy tomorrow?

BROOKE HENDERSON: You know, yeah, making a bunch of birdies, that's great. I think as I mentioned, just being aggressive where we can and being smart sometimes. Some pins out here -- I'm interested to see where the pins are tomorrow and how they'll move the tees around a little bit, because sometimes the best you can do is 30 feet on these greens, and other times you can knock it in and try to make birdies.

Just try to stick to the game plan and go through the strategy with Brit later tonight, and just see if we can get some good things to happen tomorrow.

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