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Lindy Duncan

Quick Quotes

Q. All right, here with Lindy Duncan after a 6-under round. One of the best rounds of this tournament today. Describe how it felt out there for you.

LINDY DUNCAN: It was an awesome day. Got off to a great start. Made probably a 45-footer on my 11th hole, second hole.

Next hole I stuck it to like three feet so kind of got the ball rolling nicely. Had a couple nice par saves. Had a couple bogeys. Kind of an unfortunate bounce here and there, but recovered really well and finished with three birdies.

Q. What was going through your mind with those two bogeys and what made you push through and get the three birdies?

LINDY DUNCAN: Yeah, those holes were playing tough and I just hit my tee shots too far right. I was in the rough, out of position; from there, I didn't have much of a shot for the greens.

I was trying to place it in a spot where I could get up and down and both spots were pretty tough. I just kind of shook it off and kept going. Figured I had an opportunity on the par-5.

And then, yeah, snuck in a couple extra birdies on top of that.

Q. One last one from me: Played really well at Ford, too. What's been going well for you lately?

LINDY DUNCAN: I think I've been hitting the ball well; then I'll have a round where I putt well and I have a good feel on the greens, and that really helped me today. I just dropped a couple long ones and kept the momentum going with the short ones as well.

Q. How much does a strong finish like that at Ford free you up in a way as you go about the rest of the season?



LINDY DUNCAN: Yeah, I was thinking about that. It was nice for about a day and then I was like, I got a lot of work to do to get ready for this course and all the other courses we have coming up.

So keeping your game sharp on tough courses like this just requires a lot of effort and time -- that I love putting in. You just never really know how it's going to go.

So I took a few days off after Ford, got back to work, and struggled a little bit last week.

I've kind of made a couple changes and just feel pretty good.

Q. What have you learned about major championship golf over the years?

LINDY DUNCAN: I just think pars are good a lot of times and just trying to -- if you get out of position, try to get back in the fairway, give yourself a chance for par.

If you can drop some of those par saves, that momentum is huge.

Q. Does it help to play with Sarah who also had it rolling? Does that help?

LINDY DUNCAN: I think so. I mean, she was playing so well and so solid. A lot of times I don't think we're necessarily exactly paying attention to what the other player's score is, but she was just hitting a lot of solid shots and a lot of good up and downs as well.

So her momentum was I definitely think kind of keeping me in it.

Q. You finished runner-up in an LPGA event in Texas in 2018. Talk about playing in this state and maybe more specifically this golf course.

LINDY DUNCAN: Yeah, it's really hot so it's kind of like home for me. Very humid. The course is playing long. We had some rain, so there are some soft spots out there for sure.



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

But, yeah, the greens are rolling great and I'm kind of familiar with this type of like environment with it being so hot and humid.

Q. Did you move recently, Jupiter to Plantation, or no?

LINDY DUNCAN: No. Plantation is my hometown. My mom lives in the West Palm Beach area.

Q. Which holes did you feel like you could play aggressively and how do you fair on those holes today?

LINDY DUNCAN: Yeah, first one that comes to mind is 8. It's a downwind par-5. I hit driver 4-iron to the front, so good look for eagle there.

Nothing else is really standing out. A lot of holes on the front nine you're just trying to fairway-green it. If you have a look, then great. The back nine, 18 was sort of an okay pin position. A lot of the pins were tough today.

Q. When you look back at the course of your journey and players like Lauren Coughlin who started to win and get their footing in their early 30s, how much does a day like today or some of the performances you've had over the past couple season really just validate the effort you put in for all this time?

LINDY DUNCAN: Yeah, totally. It's been a long journey. It's been a fun ride. Just continuing to try to get better, but for sure there is up and downs to it. The downs feel really down, but you just got to keep fighting your way through it. That's what the -- the point of it is that's kind of my purpose, so that's what I enjoy the most.

Q. They were talking on the broadcast about how hard you work on your game, how much time you put in. Do you consider yourself a range rat?

LINDY DUNCAN: Not necessarily. I practice at Lake Nona and there is a lot of other pros out there. I wouldn't consider myself to be the hardest working out of our group that practice there.

Leona grinds; Lydia, obviously hardest working person I think I've ever been around. So I have been trying to work smarter and not necessarily longer.

Q. They said you also like training aids and gadgets. Do you have a favorite?

LINDY DUNCAN: Yeah, I would say right now it's just a simple mirror to check my shoulder alignment on putting.

I've really toned down my gadget use.

Q. You talked about great round for you today. What does it mean to you to see players like Lexi Thompson out here, played so many events and still playing well. What does that tell you about golf that you can play good for a really long time?

LINDY DUNCAN: Yeah, that's a very interesting point about golf. If you stay healthy and you practice and you enjoy the game, you can play for a really long time.

That's something that's definitely given me motivation in the second half of my career.

Q. Is that cool to see someone that maybe you watched? When you were first coming out she was still here.

LINDY DUNCAN: Definitely. Absolutely. It's encouraging. Means if she can do it I can do it.

Q. You said you made a few tweaks from last week. What were those?

LINDY DUNCAN: Yeah, my club face was a little bit open with my drive, so I was kind of blocking it right. So I had to kind of just change my visuals. I changed my driver head, too, so I think that helped.

Q. Different brand or --

LINDY DUNCAN: Same brand. Just went from my second backup to my backup.

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