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### **Cheyenne Knight**

**Quick Quotes** 

# Q. I was talking to Mr. Ashok, he said he felt like you weren't missing anything out there when you were over the ball. Did you feel similarly? That was a really solid round out there today.

CHEYENNE KNIGHT: Yeah, I played solid. I just kind of felt calm out there and confident I would say. I just tried to do everything right and visualize my shot well, and then just let it go and trust my swing. Just kind of free-wheel it out there.

#### Q. Take me through your round. You obviously had an eagle on the card, a great finish. What was working so well the back nine?

CHEYENNE KNIGHT: Yeah, a little slow start I would say. I made a good par save like 20-footer on No. 5, and yeah, kind of made two par saves on 11 and 12, and I was 1-under at the time, and then the eagle on 13, and a nice birdie on 17. Had a few good -- really an opportunity kind of every hole coming in, which is all I can ask for.

Just trying to hit fairways and greens. Just trying to enjoy it, and just kind of trust all the work I've been putting in and trusting my swing and just kind of let it go out there.

#### Q. Tell me about the eagle specifically.

CHEYENNE KNIGHT: Yeah, they moved the tee up on the par-5, so hit driver and I had 197 to the front, and I hit a 5-wood up there, and it landed just short of the green and kind of took the slope, and I had about 20 feet, a left-to-right putt, and made it, which was nice.

## Q. 33 has special significance for you, came in the house with a 33. Any good mojo you might be taking from that going into tomorrow?

CHEYENNE KNIGHT: Oh, that's great. It's always special. I have someone up there watching me always. Yeah, he's always with me, so it's nice.

#### Q. 54-hole lead; how will you sleep tonight? Are you



## comfortable? Will you be nervous tomorrow? What's the routine going to be like for you?

CHEYENNE KNIGHT: Yeah, I think nerves are normal. Like I know I'm going to be nervous, and I think just kind of embracing the nerves. I think I'll be fine. In the morning I'll be nervous, and I know I will. If you're not nervous, it doesn't mean anything to you.

But I'm just trying to embrace the nerves. This is why I practice. I want to be in these positions. I want to give myself a chance on Sunday.

I'm looking forward to it.

## Q. Your bio said that you're a foodie. Have you gone out here the last couple days and found some good food?

CHEYENNE KNIGHT: Yeah, I have a great host family, so we went to Larchmont a few times, we went to a good Italian place last night and Great White and Jeni's ice cream, so we stay over there. I have a great host family, so we have a lot of fun.

## Q. Has Easton been following you this week? How nice is that?

CHEYENNE KNIGHT: Oh, yeah, it's great, just to have his support. He gets it. He plays a sport, so just having the mentality and just having someone to talk to about it. The first event he came out to was Arizona, so he's been getting his fair share of LPGA the last few weeks before he has to go back to work and do his thing.

Yeah, I love to watch him play and all the work that he puts in motivates me, so it's nice to have him here.

## Q. Does LA have a special place for you since this is where you guys met last year?

CHEYENNE KNIGHT: Oh, yeah, it's great. I love my host family, too. I would just say them and Jenna out here watching is super nice. Like I spend a lot of time here now visiting Easton, a little bit more south, Orange County area.

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But I've been to SoFi a few times watching him play, so yeah, it feels like my second home.

#### Q. What kind of give and take conversation do you guys have as each pro athlete supporting each other? What kinds of things do you guys help each other with?

CHEYENNE KNIGHT: I think it's just the mindset. He gets nervous before games, and I get nervous, as well. So just kind of sharing how we deal with that.

Professional sports, they're hard. I think just someone to share that with and just someone to respect how hard it is, from the outside looking in, it looks like a very nice life, but a lot of work and time and travel goes into it. Just leaning on each other in that way.

Q. You've got the experience of winning on Tour before, obviously playing in the final pairing. When you look at your career and how you're building it and all these experiences, I guess, how would you say these things have kind of helped you, especially a top 20 last week at the major, et cetera?

CHEYENNE KNIGHT: Yeah, I think you always learn anytime you're out on the golf course when you face adversity or just nerves or anything. I played well last year all season, just solid, and I was kind of close on Sunday a few times, but never in that last pairing or in the lead or one shot back. I was always a couple.

Yeah, and I've done it before, but I think whatever happens tomorrow, I just want to learn from it and be the best that I can and just keep sticking to my process, and that's all I can do.

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