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Kuala Lumpur Golf and Country Club

Maja Stark

Quick Quotes

Q. All right, here with Maja Stark after the accepted round the Maybank Championship. Really solid round today to move into the lead. Talk about how it went out there from your perspective.

MAJA STARK: It went very well. I think I was pretty solid off the tee. Had a lot of short irons. Then it was -- I've been struggling a bit with my putting this whole year, but I feel like I really had an easier time seeing the lines here than I usually do.

Q. Do you think it's anything with the greens that you're seeing the lines a little bit better?

MAJA STARK: Yeah, I think now with it being so grainy I think it gets a little bit brighter and then I think I commit to lines more; whereas last week in Korea I didn't really see anything and I struggled a lot.

Yeah, it's way easier this week.

Q. What's it like to see these two good rounds back to back after struggling last week?

MAJA STARK: It's really nice. I feel like I'm trusting myself more and not really thinking about technique. I'm just thinking about how far the shots are going to go and where I'm aiming.

Then I just, yeah, let go of the control.

Q. And this is your second start at the Maybank Championship. What do you remember most from last year?

MAJA STARK: The rain. I think just the -- yeah. All the rain and how hot it was. It's hard to remember anything else.

Q. And then this is your third week in the fall Asia Swing. What have you enjoyed most about playing in Asia on the LPGA Tour?



MAJA STARK: It's really nice to get to leave the U.S. for a little bit. I enjoy the European Swing as well, and it's nice to see more different cultures and the countries are so beautiful here.

I've been enjoying it a lot.

Q. And last question from me: You've been in this position before holding a lead. What are you going to take from the last experiences you had?

MAJA STARK: I think I'm going to try to not freak out if other people are passing me and keep doing what I'm doing. I mean, there is so much more golf to be played and anything can happen. It's definitely not a big gap to anyone behind.

So, yeah, I'm just going to keep doing what I'm doing.

Q. Have you played in such conditions before, very hot and suddenly windy, then it's raining?

MAJA STARK: I was here last year.

Q. Wasn't so (indiscernible) last year, was it?

MAJA STARK: I think it was, yeah.

Q. How do you handle such a condition? Is it okay for you?

MAJA STARK: Just drink more, try to eat more. But I have been struggling, so I'm just trying to save some energy.

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