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Jeeno Thitikul

Press Conference

THE MODERATOR: Very pleased to be joined by world number one, Jeeno Thitikul. Jeeno, back-to-back runner-up finishes here at Maybank Championship. What is it about this course or this event that you're able to maybe do so well at?

JEENO THITIKUL: Yeah, I think I had really good memories here. Were in the playoff with Celine for nine holes, and then last year I had a really good finish. Came in second, but hats off to Ronni what she have done last year.

To me, I think the course really good condition as always. I think it just kind of feel like comfortable to play here. The course, the weather, and like also the fans seem like second home to me. I feel like it's seem like a mini Thailand.

So that's why I just really comfortable and, you know, kind of always looking forward to come here.

Q. And then coming off your second win of the season, getting to play at the International Crown as well, how good does your golf game feel coming into this week?

JEENO THITIKUL: I had really good like ball striking like the past few month, but also, you know, like golf, which is mean we always and always have something to work on. It's just not a games that, oh, one day you got 100% out there. I don't feel that. I never feel that.

Like I think coming week to week, like this week, okay, you got driver really well. But you need to get something that you're not comfortable or confident with. That's what my experience like with golf.

And then I just think like just not having like a good 100% confident, which is good to me, because sometime you have too much confident and expecting the things to be good. If you see the thing not going right or going as you expected, you be sad or angry so easy.



Q. Only a few tournaments left before the end of the season. What are some of the goals you have left for the season?

JEENO THITIKUL: Be able to play enjoyable golf, be able to show them what I have in each tournament that I have left in this year.

I think that's it. That's really goal.

Q. We had a couple sponsor invites in here before you, a lot of young players, some from Thailand. They were singing your praises. How cool with you at such a young age as well, is it be an inspiration for these young players growing up in Thailand?

JEENO THITIKUL: I think it's just really means a lot to them. I think like, you know, be able to see me and then all the Thais players out there on the Tour, which I definitely think it's kind of inspiring them to want to be on this point and want to be on top of the world for sure.

And then I just really happy to see Thai players this week. You know, maybe one the top of the field we had bubble of Thai. And also be able to see my old friend. It's really nice it kind of chatting back again.

And reunion with my Thai national like golf that I had -- we have been playing together. And, yeah, I think that's part of my job, that I'm not going to be on Tour for that long, I mean be rest of my life, so we need some of new generations to come up, and hope that they can do better than me for sure.

Q. As world number one, how do you keep enjoying yourself?

JEENO THITIKUL: I think that question is -- I think it's just not how is the world number one keep improving myself, but I think it's Jeeno always has to keep improving myself on and off the course.

It doesn't mean, okay, I've been in world number one and then oh, what's next? I think I have been thinking like that like every single day, with golf, definitely a bunch of thing that I have to improve.



And then outside of golf, definitely I want to be a better person. Inside golf, like golf course, to show them what motivating next generation is and show them what I have. Then off the course definitely I want to be a better person.

Q. Second question is: How do you approach playing from now from when you started golf or started playing on Tour?

JEENO THITIKUL: I think it's been a really long run for me. I mean, like I know I haven't been on Tour for that long as like somebody else; this is my fourth year on Tour, on the LPGA Tour. Maybe six as a professional.

It's not every single day, that easy at all. I think it's like challenging and hard life and job we have every day. Definitely we are human and then we have to fight with like the things that we think in our head like every day.

So I think I have been doing a really good job approaching like as a pro, but golf taught me a lot. Golf taught me to be like humble. Golf taught me to like, you know, don't be -- it doesn't mean like you going to have a good day like every day, so you have to accept the bad as well.

Yeah, that's why like we play golf here. That's why I fall in love with it still. And, yeah, still lots of work ahead and lots of things I have (indiscernible.)

Q. You've shown maturity beyond your years on the course. How do you keep yourself grounded knowing that the expectations keep mounting as one of Asia and the world's best?

JEENO THITIKUL: I think it's different like on how you accept the things on each day. Definitely you -- and then I'm not pleasing anyone. Like I'm not pleasing anyone result that have put it to me. I think I'm pleasing to myself how I really accept that, okay, I can do this today. Like I can do 70% today.

Then, okay, we move on and do it again tomorrow. It doesn't mean like I going to have 100% every day result-wise. It's not going to be 100% every day for sure. I just accept it like, oh, today I can do 70. Tomorrow I trying to be 80. Whatever. The result show 60, then accept it and go forward.

That's what I told myself. Because, you know, even golf, we can't know everything. I think even life, too. You can't like force yourself to do 100% every day and then it's -- I think it's just too much to be pressure on yourself.

Q. We've also seen a lot of success in terms of

women's golf from Thailand. What do you think attributes to this success?

JEENO THITIKUL: I have been talking with this topic a lot of, having a lot of people asking how you get success so fast. I ask them what is success for you? I think success for everyone is different. For someone success for them can be like just be on the Tour. That's their success. Someone, oh, maybe getting Top 5, like five events a year, that's mean success.

So I think it can be, you know, like define and meaning your success by yourself, like not others like define you by that word.

Because I think success doesn't has to be (indiscernible) or world number one.

Q. So sorry, last question: So you came close I think last year. Does that give you somewhat of motivation for you this year? Thank you.

JEENO THITIKUL: Definitely when I trying to get the win for sure. I mean, this one is one of my like favorite events to be. And then, yeah, definitely all the fans cheering. I'm so impressed how much the fans cheering from last year and the first year as well.

But I try, but I don't know the result because I think I'm not comparing the result to last year, but I comparing the process from this year and last year.

Q. I've got a very important question.

JEENO THITIKUL: Very important.

Q. Yeah, very important. What is your go-to...

JEENO THITIKUL: Like Jasmine tea. Yeah, the Jasmine one. That's really important.

Q. Just like to know what aspects of your game are you looking for this week? Are you changing anything in your game or what is it that you're doing?

JEENO THITIKUL: I expect to hold the putt more than last week. That's it.

THE MODERATOR: Thank you so much, Jeeno. Good luck this week.

JEENO THITIKUL: Thank you.

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