## Sony Open in Hawaii

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#### Chan Kim

**Quick Quotes** 



#### Q. All right, Chan, so awesome 64in the second round. What were you able to do to flip the switch and play such a good second round?

CHAN KIM: Yeah, we had some tough conditions yesterday. A lot of wind, a lot of gusts that you really couldn't predict, and some rain.

Yeah, it played tough yesterday. Just had to grind it out. Then obviously with a 64 today, you know, just puts me into a good mindset for next week.

I would've loved to have made that eagle on 18. Just kind of wait around and see. Never going to go in if you leave it short, right?

Yeah, like I said, I'm in a very good mindset for next week now. I know that I can score out here. Excited to see what next week brings.

#### Q. You had that just break yesterday on the par-3. What was the reaction to that when that happened?

CHAN KIM: Just golf. You know, what else can you do? Hit a good shot, hit my target, hit my number. I think in the video I said, be right, or something.

It sure was. It's just an unlucky break. You'll get some of those out here for sure.

## Q. Bogey on 10. Was that the only trouble today or did you have to scramble?

CHAN KIM: Yeah, there were a few that I got up and down really well to make par. One on 2 and 12 I believe. Caught a flier and that was on 13 tee box and got that up and down.

10 felt like I hit a good drive. Took the wind and leaked a little right into the rough. The second shot I thought I hit it perfect and just hit into the upslope and came up short.



Really hit a good putt, but just didn't break. There is just nothing I can do except do the best I can.

#### Q. Going into your final hole did you try to play that one more aggressively knowing what you needed it get to get to the cut line?

CHAN KIM: Yeah, I kind of saw -- Ryo was 2-under and tied 49th after 16. Got a chance to make the cut.

So we had a good number into 18. Hit a good shot. That putt was just a little bit slower than I anticipated. Yeah, came up a bit short.

Overall, like I said, played a really good round and I'm happy about it.

# Q. Can you just sum up your emotions over the last 48 hours, being a full time PGA TOUR pro for the first week of your life and at 33 coming out here in your home state here?

CHAN KIM: Yeah, very excited for sure. Very nervous as well. Hometown crowd, and yesterday I was just praying I don't finish dead last, to be honest. I was 1-over making the turn and then I started bogey, par, and made a string of bogeys. I'm just like, oh, my gosh, please try not to finish dead last.

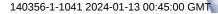
Yeah, what an incredible experience and incredible TOUR, and I'm proud to be a member of the PGA TOUR. Definitely looking forward to the next couple events.

## Q. You referenced next week. Cut missed here, but that's the beauty of it, you just get another opportunity.

CHAN KIM: Yeah, some kinks I have to work out in my game. Nothing too major. Obviously worked out today. Yeah, all really just came down to really trusting my instincts and what kind of shot I want to hit.

You know, if I can keep in that mentality next week I think I'll be okay.

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#### Q. What's it mean just touching on that, being from Hawai'i and being an inspiration to kids?

CHAN KIM: Yeah, I hope I'm an inspiration. We'll see. Yeah, I got to do the interview at Ala Wai, so that brought back a lot of memories.

Like I said, seeing a whole bunch my friends out here and family friends that came out to watch, definitely helped me settle down a little bit. Definitely helped me today in keeping calm, just trying to do the best I could to try and make the cut for them.

Came pretty close, so like I said I'm proud of how I handled myself and just got to move on.

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