

# Genesis Scottish Open

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The Renaissance Club

## Tom Kim

### Quick Quotes

**Q. That's a pretty solid moving day, still in contention as we head into Sunday. What's your reflections after 54 holes?**

TOM KIM: Yeah it was a pretty tough moving day for me. Off the tee, wasn't really in the right spot. But I think that's probably as good as I could have played. I hung in there and left myself a lot of tough shots but I had some nice up-and-downs to at least give myself a chance to have a good one tomorrow.

**Q. How crucial were some of those par saves you made out there?**

TOM KIM: Huge. I feel like with where I was, it was so easy to just shoot even par. But to not just shoot under par but be bogey-free, and having this round today gives me a chance tomorrow, so I'm pleased.

**Q. Heading into tomorrow, looks like conditions will be totally different. Good 'ole Scottish hospitality with the wind. What will be your mindset with the wind?**

TOM KIM: I think it's great. Obviously last year was really tough obviously with the wind. So kind of curious how hard it's going to be. But I feel like when the wind blows, you've got to have a lot of patience and be mentally tough. Tomorrow is really a round where whoever really wants it the most, and I'm definitely looking forward to the challenge.

**Q. Before we get into the day, let's talk about the par at the last. The lie was horrible; you get it up the left side, Dennis Paulson, our analyst on our broadcast said, I don't know about this angle and I don't know if he can get it up to the hole. A gem of a third. I saw the fist-pump on the putt. How big was that for you?**

TOM KIM: I think more than thinking it was how hard I battled today. That's what meant the most for me. I felt like that putt was the cherry on top because I fought so hard just to get everything out of that round.



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To be able to walk off with a par is definitely going to make my lunch taste a lot better. That was huge, obviously, with momentum and everything. Puts me in a good spot to have a chance tomorrow.

**Q. Safe to say your putter was the best weapon today? Lag putts from 101 feet, 80 feet. but more importantly ---quality lag putting, yes, but you made everything you needed to from that ten-foot-and-inside range.**

TOM KIM: Yeah, I don't think I missed a lot inside that range. I just had a lot of tough situations but obviously with the wind everything and, just got to trust and I did. Pretty fortunate to walk off with a bogey-free round today.

**Q. What needs to change to hang in there and grab this title?**

TOM KIM: I'm kind of looking forward to it. It's going to be tough. I think it's going to be tough for everyone. So you've got to be mentally there more than anything. You've got to be patient. I think it's going to play a lot different than the last three days, so I look forward to the challenge.

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