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Old Chatham Golf Club

Athena Singh

Quick Quotes

Q. Congratulations on another win today. Can you talk me through your last match, what was working and kind of how it went?

ATHENA SINGH: I feel like both of us were a little on the struggle bus. There were some holes where we both played really well and some where we were just trying to make up-and-down.

I feel like my up-and-down game was pretty strong, like I had some short-sided chips that I ended up just having a tap-in for, so that really helped. Then I made a few long putts. Those birdie putts, I think, really helped me stay in the game because she was making a few long putts as well.

Q. What was your longest birdie putt? Which hole?

ATHENA SINGH: I think it might have been the par-3. I had about 12 to 15 feet downhill. That was probably -- and then I had one from the fringe like off -- I think it was 13. It was off the fringe. That one went in. It was definitely going too far, but it went in thankfully.

Q. When you're in a match that's so back and forth, 1 up, 1 down, how do you deal with the pressure and the moment that comes with that?

ATHENA SINGH: I really try to think that neither of us are on the top of our game right now, so anything could happen. Then I just try to stay as consistent as possible, like even though I might not be hitting it great.

Q. You've played in a lot of USGA Championships already. You were obviously the runner-up at the Four-Ball a couple of years ago. How have you used that experience leading up into this week?

ATHENA SINGH: I think seeing a big event like this, you kind of come in with some nerves. I think after playing so many, the nerves have kind of settled down a little. I think that helps.



Also, the types of courses they have us play are always pretty challenging. Playing the longer distances, just getting those long irons dialed in, I think that experience helped a lot.

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