



INTERVIEW TRANSCRIPT: NA YEON CHOI
Saturday, May 21, 2011 (Quarterfinal)

MODERATOR: We would like to welcome Na Yeon Choi into the interview room. Congratulations on your 2-up victory today. Can you just talk a little bit about the match and how it was out there today?

NA YEON CHOI: Yeah, I think I had another tense match today, you know. I just -- I played well. Then actually my body, right now my body is really tired and I'm very hungry, too. You know, I came here 7:00 in the morning today and then right now I think over 7:00 p.m. I spent time here, like more than 12 hours. I'm very tired. And then I don't know, I was just calm and then I was good, stay in the moment, and then I just played one shot at a time.

MODERATOR: You said earlier last year when you lost in the first round, that was your only experience in match play prior to this event again this year. How nice is it for you to make it to Sunday and to be able to get all of this experience in match play?

NA YEON CHOI: Well, every morning I was very excited to play this match game, this format. I don't know, I just -- I don't have any plan. I don't have any, you know, strategy, just play -- just hit fairway and then hit the greens, just make some putts. Sometimes be safe, sometimes be aggressive. I think just play my game.

MODERATOR: Questions?

Q. You're the top seed, but yet you kind of -- there hasn't been a lot of talk -- talk about Paula Creamer, Cristie Kerr. You've kind of gone on. Do you feel kind of unnoticed this week or underappreciated this week?

NA YEON CHOI: No, I don't think so. I don't -- I don't think I have a chance like play until Sunday. I don't know. I think just I play and I think after first day I had confidence with this format, so that's why I can keep playing well until today.

Q. (Inaudible.) Suzann as a player as a competitor. Is she fiery, I guess?

NA YEON CHOI: Yeah, I think so, yeah. She hit it pretty far and then I think this course is good for her because, you know, the course is very wet so we have to hit long. And then I don't know, I'm very excited to play with her and I'm just looking forward to play with her. It would be a great match, I think.

Q. Can you talk about the season so far and what your expectations were coming into this tournament?

NA YEON CHOI: I think I'm doing good so far. I went to Japan last two weeks and I played two tournaments in Japan that was in -- wasn't very good because I -- I think I had too much expectations by myself, so I had a little bit disappoint myself. But I came here, I feel a lot better playing here. I feel like, you know, I playing home.

Q. Are expectations are different over here than they are in Japan?

NA YEON CHOI: I think so. When I play in Korea or when I play in Asia, like Japan, I thought maybe I expect too much about winning, so I think that was wrong last two weeks.

MODERATOR: All right? Thank you, Na Yeon.

NA YEON CHOI: Thank you.