

U.S. Amateur

Tuesday, Aug. 13, 2024
Hazeltine National Golf Club
Chaska Town Course

**Bryan Kim,
Brookeville, Md.**

5-under 65 (second round, stroke play)



Q. Talk a little bit about playing Hazeltine first and then coming out to Chaska [Town Course]?

Kim: Hazeltine's definitely playing a few shots harder, so it was nice to get that out of the way. Played a decent round, finished up at even, and then knew I could tackle the course out here today. Playing soft and not a lot of wind this morning. Just knew I could take advantage of it.

Q. You eagled the par-4 third. Could you walk me through it?

Kim: I hit 7-wood to like 10 yards short of the green and then chipped in. My caddie said it was 'chip-innable,' and I just did it.

Q. How far was the chip?

Kim: It was about 15 or 20 yards.

Q. How much do you think winning the Junior Amateur last year has helped in terms of confidence and as you prepared for another USGA match play championship?

Kim: Yeah, I definitely have some good experience with match play. I'm just going to try keeping the same mindset that I did then, and hopefully it'll work out for me.

Q. Any particular thoughts that helped you last year that you might apply this year?

Kim: Just playing my game and knowing that I'm a pretty tough competitor to beat when I'm playing well. So, just keeping that mindset and playing aggressive. It'll be hard to beat, just have to take care of business.

Q. Are there any holes or anything in particular at Hazeltine you feel suit your game and could be an advantage going into match play?

Kim: I played the par 3's pretty well yesterday. I think I played them in 2-under, so, just keep hitting good approaches into those, and yeah, it'll be good.