U.S. Girls' Junior

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Atlanta Athletic Club

Madison Messimer

Q. Close match today, can you talk me through it?

Messimer: Yeah we were close the whole time, we kind of went back and forth. We both played really well, both hit the ball well. I did not putt well, so I need to go work on that now, but I just really tried to get up on the back, and it was close the hole way, neither of us were 2 up at any point.

Q. With it being that close, was there any moment in particular where you felt like you had to bring your game to another level? Kick it up a notch, do something different?

Messimer: Yeah, hole No. 13, it's that short par 4. I tried to go for the green and ended up making birdie, but so did she, so after that I was like, 'Just got to keep pushing, keep making more birdies.'

Q. What are your thoughts on the course? Anything that changes your plans that you're seeing over these last few days?

Messimer: This course is really nice. I think the only thing that's going to trick people up are the greens and the pin locations, because I, personally, think the greens are hard to read out here, so I'm going to practice after this, take our time on the putts and try to make as many as I can.

Q. You mentioned your putting being a little off today, did you feel you were leaning on your driver and irons out there? What was your strong suit?

Messimer: Definitely off the tee, I hit almost every fairway, so that really helped me. That was the best part of my game today.

Q. What's your gameplan as you advance to tomorrow?

Messimer: I think just putt a little better, start strong, finish strong, try to make as many putts as I can.

Q. You're competing in a Girls' Junior, competing against some of your friends, can you talk about the atmosphere this week?

Messimer: It's always the best event. The USGA always makes it so fun, and it's a lot more fun when you have your friends out here too. Not as much when you're competing against them, but they make it really fun.

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