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Second-round tournament quotes:

AN INTERVIEW WITH PAULA CREAMER

(Interview by tape.)

Q. I know you said yesterday it was kind of bumpy a little bit putting going out in the morning, did that make a big difference, did that make a big difference?

PAULA CREAMER: Yes, it did. You know, I hit the ball the same as I did yesterday. I just made some more putts early on. I made a good up and down on 1.

Then I birdied 2 and 3. And I kind of got a momentum, and I just gave myself a lot of chances. I think I only missed one green or two greens today.

Q. Did you feel like you putted well enough yesterday that you could have made some birdies but you didn't because you got bad breaks?

PAULA CREAMER: Oh, yes. I hit the ball just as good as I did today. Like I said, I couldn't really make anything. I was short constantly yesterday. I think I only got passed the hole once or twice. Today I really worked on my speed and the ball went in.

Q. I know Lorena still has a lot of holes to play, but at least you played your way back into the tournament now, don't you feel that way?

PAULA CREAMER: I do. I could only give myself chances. Yesterday I got a bad break playing in the afternoon. I think it's harder to play in the afternoon than it is morning, the first day, because you can set the standards of the golf course.

And so I had to fight my way back and hopefully the wind picks up a little bit more.

But if not, I'm sure I'm going to have to go low tomorrow to win as well.

Q. Can you talk about that stretch from 9 to 13, it seemed like you really got on a roll there and birdied four birdies in 5 holes?

PAULA CREAMER: Well, I birdied the par-5. I shouldn't have, I two putted. I missed a six or 7-footer on 10. I birdied 11, I hit it within a foot. 12, I hit it within a foot. 13, I made like a 7-footer. I mean 11 and 12, I hit really good wedges.

Q. So, I guess, you really didn't have to worry about rolling the ball too much?
PAULA CREAMER: No.

Q. Do you have any chances that you feel like you left out there?

PAULA CREAMER: Oh, there were. On 10, I'm at the par-5, and I had 30 yards into that green, and I missed a 7-footer. I couldn't get up and down. There was several putts out there that could have gone in. You can go low on this golf course.

So, tomorrow, you know, it's going be a premium hitting fairways and greens to give yourself some chances.

Q. Would you rather the weather be good or bad, to bring some people back?

PAULA CREAMER: I don't understand. If it's windy that's great. It makes the golf course more difficult, scores higher, and you got to think harder. Just whatever happens, happens. You can't really say it's going to be the same for everybody, because you don't really know.

Q. How are the conditions different yesterday versus today?

PAULA CREAMER: In the afternoon yesterday it wasn't real windy but it was swirling near the end of it. It made it more difficult. The most things with the greens, you get out there early, they roll pretty true. They are good greens. By the time everybody walks around on them, it's difficult to make par.

Q. Can we go over your scorecard?

PAULA CREAMER: 2, I went driver, 9-iron. I made a 20-footer. No, 15 feet.
3, I hit a 7-iron to about eight feet.
6, I got up and down. I hit a 3-wood into the green, and I chipped it to like two feet.

9, driver, 5-iron, about 35 feet.

Q. Four was a pitching wedge to a foot. I'm sorry, 11.

PAULA CREAMER: 11, I had 80 yards. I used my 54 degree wedge.

12, I hit a pitching wedge, like 110 yards to a foot.

13, I had like 105 yards. I hit a 50 degree wedge to like eight feet.

17, I hit an 8-iron to about 12 feet.

Q. Thank you very much.

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