

Jamie Farr Owens Corning Classic Presented by Kroger
Highland Meadows Country Club
Sylvania, Ohio
July 9, 2008

Pre-round quotes

AN INTERVIEW WITH SE RI PAK

MIKE SCANLAN: Se Ri, thank you so much for coming in. Welcome back to Toledo. This is kind of home for you now. You've won here five times at the Jamie Farr and now you are going for the 6th Pak.

If you would just talk about being here in Toledo and going for No. 6.

SE RI PAK: Well every year, as soon as I get into Toledo, I always feel really comfortable, and then I don't know, it feels very exciting to be here. I was here yesterday and played 18 basically just to see the golf course. A couple holes are changing. The tees are back.

But the condition of the golf course is so great. I think this is the best ever being in this condition. It feels great. I don't think there is much change. They moved the tee a little bit, but it's still the same. It still feels great, and I am very excited to be here.

MIKE SCANLAN: Questions?

Q. What is it about this course that makes you so comfortable playing here?

SE RI PAK: I guess because I won a lot, I guess. But at the same time play well, too. I don't know why that makes me play always well, but I always score low too for the last 10 years. Just ask me why. I don't know what the reason is. But I think the golf course fits my game, I guess. More forgiving of the green, too. I make a lot of putts here. And I know a lot of fans out here are rooting for me. So it gives me a lot of energy at the same time. So that's why I think I play always better.

Q. Do you play with an extra amount of confidence too?

SE RI PAK: It is. You always play well here, 10 people, they say the same thing, you play well here. That makes me feel comfortable, too. I feel a lot of positive things of the golf course. Positive thinking about the tournament. That helps a lot, too.

Q. Can you talk about what this year has been for you 2008?

SE RI PAK: Well, actually, I didn't play much this year, some things. So far, I just get back to my game, I always come back here and feel great about it. It wasn't really a happy season yet. But I think starting this week it will change. That's why I am here. I think that's why I go back home last week and worked on stuff with my coach and make sure I'm the same person I'm used to here. I'm pretty much ready to go.

Q. Se Ri, you were three shots behind Morgan when she dropped that ace on you, did you feel like it is go-time from there?

SE RI PAK: I wouldn't say it was go-time, but I always feel like maybe it's not really my tournament this year. I always feel that way. As soon as she got the ace, well, maybe, this is the one that she would just like to win it. The game is totally changing, suddenly on No. 6.

And at the same time, as soon as I saw that, I say, well we, still got many holes to go, not even finished halfway yet. I try to do the best as I could. I know I do really well with this golf course, and I just try to work on my own game and suddenly it turned out better the last three holes so that actually helps a lot, too.

Q. You are the first south Korean to be inducted in the LPGA Hall of Fame; what does that mean to you?

SE RI PAK: It means a lot. It's one of my biggest dreams about it. And as soon as I started playing golf I set my goal, to get into the Hall of Fame. So this means everything to me.

The first time I touch my golf club, I say, I'm going to play golf with the world's best golfer and setting my goal. This is it. Basically, I think I am a pretty lucky person. Not many people set a goal and reach for it. Actually I did it, and I just got it last year, and I feel great and, of course, I still have a lot more things to do, but I think this is part of my life, so that's pretty good.

Q. Se Ri, what does it mean to you to see so many other Korean golfers who come after you having so much success?

SE RI PAK: Back where it started, given the Futures actually, they set the goal trying to be the best golfers in the world. They set the goal, they look at me at the same time.

And then two weeks ago at the U.S. Open, the winner, Inbee Park, it's kind of interesting, I heard about it. She said 10 years ago, '98, she started playing, decided to play golf because she see me at The Open, winning the U.S. Open, and she started playing golf because it made her dream come true at the same time.

So that's amazing. I never ever thought about someone to play golf like I did and make their individual dreams come true. This is amazing. I feel proud of it and proud of everybody here. The Korean Tour players, they have been really great, and I am really happy to see that.

Q. Talk about how much this would mean to you to win this tournament a 6th time?

SE RI PAK: I guess for my success, it would make great history. I'm very excited. I can't wait and, hopefully, I do it this year. I have a lot of pressure because people talk last year about five times. Now they talk about six times.

As I said, this is kind of giving me pressure, too. But I think I feel like I'm very positive. I have a chance. I'm going to go out and fight for it and hopefully Sunday I'm going to get another trophy out here.

Q. Se Ri, how many times (Inaudible)?

SE RI PAK: Last year 5. Now they say 6. Since today I hear a lot, starting today and then til Sunday.

Q. Se Ri, you said there is still more to do as far as your career goes after making the Hall of Fame,

what do you want to accomplish before it's all done?

SE RI PAK: Actually, not really big goals because I already finish the biggest goal. I don't think I ever had a chance to win Player of the Year for the last 10 years, because it's been Annika, Karrie. I was second place many times. So I think one of the goals is trying to get Player of the Year. And then getting the Grand Slam myself. I'm still waiting for one more major. I waited 10 years. It's not happening yet. I am trying to do the best golf in my career, too. I don't think I have yet my best golf, but hopefully it's going to be soon. So I wish to try to have the best golf in the season.

Q. Is there a lot that you went over with your Coach when you met with him?

SE RI PAK: Not too much going on. We work 10 to 11 years now. So it really doesn't make things work. We are always working the same stuff and trying to make as simple as possible. So probably the same thing, same routine. We always do.

Q. How differently will you play No. 5 with the new tee?

SE RI PAK: It actually looks like more different course, but club-wise you can hit lot more club there. The second shot is pretty much the same. No. 5, long hitter, I don't think is pretty good, critical for that hole. So I kind of hit a 3-wood, mid-irons. For me, I don't think there is many differences. It looks like a more comfortable setting, the course. But it doesn't matter this golf course. Everything is comfortable. It doesn't bother me at all.

Q. Se Ri, you have had success here, what is fondest memory at Jamie Farr?

SE RI PAK: Six player playoff happened a couple of years ago. And five times, got best low score in my career. Just so many exciting things here.

You really can go low scores here too. It's kind of exciting. This golf course, I don't think the golf course is set easy. It will be fun. You have to use a lot of different kind of shots and giving a lot of great golf course management at the same time. This golf course will be tons of different things out here.

Q. Did you deal with an injury this year, is there a problem with anything this year?

SE RI PAK: No, I don't have any injuries or anything yet.

Q. You got a perfect playoff record of 5-0, what do you contribute that success to?

SE RI PAK: Well, I just make it simple. You win or lose. You get to a playoff, you fight for the winning. As soon as you get going you play more aggressive instead of safe. I mean, I'm always trying, especially playoff, of course, I don't want to lose it. But at the same time, you try to go aggressive play at the same time. So I think I push for it.

MIKE SCANLAN: Se Ri, before we go, we have a presentation from Owens Corning for you.

OWENS CORNING REP: Congratulations on five victories.

Our Korean team made this for you.

SE RI PAK: Thank you.

Q. What does it say at the bottom?

SE RI PAK: All the best from the Korean players. This is Korean players. Good luck. Thank you.

MIKE SCANLAN: Se Ri, thanks a lot.
