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CHAN KIM (-14)



Q. You told me you were dreaming in there. I guess what's the premise behind that?

CHAN KIM: Yeah, obviously getting my first win last week and then coming back out and being tied for the lead again, yeah, I mean, I told myself like I need to hit a reset button, just try to focus on this week, it's a brand new week and just go out there and give it my all. Yeah, it's really nice to be in this situation.

Q. Is it still just putter and confidence like last week?

CHAN KIM: Yeah, definitely kind of sticking to my routine, sticking to the game plan mostly. Being aggressive when I need to and staying confident with the putter. Yeah, everything seems to be working again.

Q. Did you switch putters or putting technique at any point?

CHAN KIM: So I switched putters the week of Salt Lake. I had ordered that putter that I got, and it had come in as I got to the golf course, so that was pretty cool. I've used a blade for a long time and switched to a mallet a little bit trying to find something different, then went back to it and I'm rolling it great.

Q. When did you order the putter?

CHAN KIM: Probably took about a month. I don't know exactly when I did, I think it was one of the off-weeks that I went back and I ordered it. Yeah, I'm happy to see it now obviously.

Q. Were you like anxiously awaiting, like man, is this thing going to get here?

CHAN KIM: Not really. I was rolling the mallet fine, I had a good feel for it. I kind of wanted this blade as a backup in case something started to not look right. I switched to it and I started rolling it great and kind of saw my line a little bit better. Yeah, just decided to go with it.

Q. You talk about last week how like confidence was such a big thing, you were finally playing with confidence. You won a ton of times before, so how did you not have confidence in yourself coming into --



CHAN KIM: Yeah, obviously missing three cuts and then finishing T-66 in Omaha. Wasn't really swinging well, wasn't hitting it well, almost to the point where I felt like I didn't know where the ball was going to go. I felt like I could make good swings, I didn't know where the ball was going to go. My speed with my putting was a bit off.

You know, that's golf. There's so many ups and downs in this game and no two days are the same. You'd love it to be, but one thing could work one week and something could work the other week. I just told myself I've just got to trust my swing and know that I could hit it where I want to and stay confident with it.

Q. Do you remember another major point in your career where you felt that loss and sort of came out of it?

CHAN KIM: Gosh, must have been probably like 2016 I would say, somewhere in there. I had lost my Japan Tour card, had to go back to Q-School. I was kind of struggling that whole year, didn't really make too many cuts, didn't really have many good finishes. Besides that, you know, it was kind of like the first time I've been in a slump since then. It's good to get out of it.

