

**ROUND 1 QUICK QUOTES**  
**September 13, 2023**

**K.J. CHOI (-8)**



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**Q. K.J., thank you for joining us. You tied the course record today with a 62. Early bogey and then a bunch of birdies. What was the key to your round today?**

**K.J. CHOI:** Yeah, No. 3, very long course today, so just (indiscernible.) I looked and very up and down. It's 30-foot and leave it short in the top. It's a wrong read and then missing six foot, and three-putt.

Keep patient, so par-5 coming, No. 4, so good high cut driver, so a little bit (indiscernible) rough in the first cut, and I hit it close in the bunker in the greenside. I miss the bunker, so inside three foot is make it birdie, so a little bit more better, you know, confidence, and then putting stat is I'm last four, five events is very high.

So that's why the feeling is more coming. I'm playing very well today. So far every year come is very enjoyable and good scoring.

**Q. Was there an adjustment in your putting that you made?**

**K.J. CHOI:** No. I'm more focus this week in iron play and more keep in the greens and the more make the putt. Today inside of 25 foot it's many make putts and the (indiscernible) greens and the chipping in and the putting, inside 150 yards, so inside the five foot and the more closer. That's why more control in iron play.

**Q. What is it you like about in golf course?**

**K.J. CHOI:** I lovely, because hilly. You know, uphill, and then Korea is many mountainside and (indiscernible) hole. It looks like it's very comfortable. People lovely welcome and I love in the pro-am yesterday very enjoyable people, wonderful. That's why the trees hilly and the green is my eyes more -- brown greens a little difficult read, but in Korean it's more better, and my country always the greens are bent grass and greens, the colors, more looking for second shot and the feel all the time and see the ball. So that's why I like it.

**Q. You're currently tied for the lead. What's your mindset for tomorrow?**

**K.J. CHOI:** This week starting before some more my iron play is coming to my feel in my body. I still low back a little tight. Actually it's a little hurting so I understanding my body is hurt, but stretching and more flexible and hitting well. Tomorrow same routine and more putting focus, and then second shot -- the tee shot not much issue, but second shot very important. Tomorrow is more (indiscernible) in the pins, and I'll look in the pin positions tomorrow. A little bit practicing and then enjoy my wife and enjoy this week coming, so I happy.