

ROUND 1 INTERVIEW: ANNA NORDQVIST
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Q. Got to feel pretty good about that round, took longer than you wanted obviously.

ANNA NORDQVIST: Yeah, it's been a long day for sure. Had my alarm set at 5:00 a.m. this morning and teed off at 8:30 and it's what, about 5:30 now? I'll get some rest tomorrow, but bogey free I'll take any day. Feeling good about my game. Solid tee to green today and this course you can be aggressive at and you can attack, you have a lot of wedges in, so I tried to take advantage of that.

Q. How were you able to refocus after all the delays, two different delays you have to go back out there?

ANNA NORDQVIST: Yeah, we actually already heard on No. 6 that there was a delay coming but we made it all the way to 11 green before they actually called it. I was just sitting talking to some friends, texting some friends back home, not really worrying about it too much. Seems like this is the place where we have a lot of delays over the years unfortunately. Then we got back out again and it was just, you know, you just try to finish but we made it to 17 green, so it was kind of annoying with the second delay there. I had a pretty good 7-iron in there and then came back out and saw a lot of the spectators were still there and I was so happy to make that putt. Reminds me a lot of Solheim Cup so it definitely got me in a pretty good mood there and finishing with a pretty good par on 18 so I'm excited.

Q. Is there anything like that crowd on 17 anywhere else on tour? It's pretty unique.

ANNA NORDQVIST: No, I was surprised. It's so much fun playing the hole. I was looking forward to the putt and I really wanted to make it bad, so when it dropped I was so excited. The guys were screaming so loud. I could compare it to a Solheim Cup and that's kind of the spirit it reminds me of. We get to experience that once every other year, so it definitely brought back some good memories and just can't wait for Germany and it gives me some extra motivation to make the team and play there.

Q. Stacy said that moving it up adds more excitement to the hole because before it was so long that it was tough to make birdie there sometimes.

ANNA NORDQVIST: Yeah, it was definitely one of the tougher holes out here. I think we had 155 to the back pin right there. I played a 7-iron there whereas before you would hit a 5-iron so it would make it a lot trickier hole. People want to see birdies. Now that they've tried to make it the loudest hole in golf, I think it's a great move and can't wait to play it over the weekend.

Q. What did you throw up there?

ANNA NORDQVIST: I throw up some JLab headphones. Yeah, it's a company I work with and hopefully some guys can rock out some good music out of those headphones. I've got some more headphones for the weekend so I'm excited.

Q. What's clicked in your game the last month?

ANNA NORDQVIST: You know, I'm just focusing on consistency. I feel like a lot of the things are coming together in my game so it's just been solid. Like winning in Atlantic City obviously gets you a little bit more confidence, makes you relax a little bit more I think just knowing that you belong up there and you can compete and can win out here, so definitely relaxed a little bit more. I'm just trying to be happy. Had my brother in town for the last two weeks, and his girlfriend, so we had a blast just hanging out in Orlando last week. All I'm trying to do is be happy because if I'm happy off the course, it seems to translate to the course, too.

Q. Is your brother here this week? I know your mom was in Atlantic City. Is that the family good luck charm?

ANNA NORDQVIST: No, I'm by myself this week, I don't know what to do with myself. No, my mom's been out, my brother was able to make it out for a couple weeks. I just love having the support from home since I'm not able to go home as much as I would like, but I'm all on my own this week.

Q. Was he at KPMG?

ANNA NORDQVIST: Yeah, he was, so it was exciting. And then we got to spend some time in Orlando last week. It was very hot but it's nice to take a little bit of a break and recharge the batteries.

Q. Are they going to make it to the Solheim Cup for you?

ANNA NORDQVIST: Definitely, I have my whole family and a lot of friends coming if I make the team.

Q. If you make the team.

ANNA NORDQVIST: Yeah. No, they're all going to come and I am excited that we're playing in Germany, it's close to home and just know that a lot of my friends and family make the effort to come down to watch me means a lot to me and that's why I want to play good. So I want to continue the grind and continue the hard work and hopefully we can put on a good show in Germany.

Q. Have you ever had as much fun as you do at the Solheim Cup on the golf course?

ANNA NORDQVIST: No, no. Solheim Cup brings out the best in me. I've had the

opportunity to play with Suzann and Caroline Hedwall and some great players over the years in those matches and there's nothing like it. You can't really describe the feeling, you can't really get that feeling anywhere else. That's why we're all so excited.

Q. You talked about how happy you've been on the course. What contributes to that, what's got you feeling so great these days?

ANNA NORDQVIST: Well, overall I'm just trying to find happiness. It's easier said than done, but I figure I need to surround myself with great people, I need to be surrounded by my family. Try to make the effort. They made an effort to come out to see me just to, you know, keep me in a good mood. So it's a process, taking it one day, like day by day and I'm trying to wake up with a smile on my face every day. Sometimes it's easier said than done. Had a couple rough weeks coming into Atlantic City, but just got to continue to put your best foot forward every day and that's kind of been my motto and that's what I'm trying to do.