

Mathilda Cappeliez Quotes

You were 1 down on the 18th green. What were you thinking on that hole? I thought I was done. I didn't putt well today. On 17, I three-putted. I thought, you are so stupid.

On 18, I took the wrong club and she was in the middle of the green. I thought I was done. I took off my hat and then she missed it and I thought, "Oh my God, we have to play another hole. You can do it."

I made a 15-foot putt on 18. That was pretty good.

On the 19th hole (No. 10), you were in the right bunker and she was in the left bunker. What were your thoughts?

I was pretty confident in my bunker shot. All week, I had been pretty good in the bunker.

After that putt on the extra hole, it was just with my mind. I did it! I have pretty good mental. I just tried to be confident in myself. I made it. I couldn't believe it.

How long was your par putt that won your match?

That was like 180 meters, maybe five feet? It was left to right. Back on 17, I missed kind of the same putt. I felt stress, but then I said, "It's just good stress. Just make it!"

You have to be happy with your performance.

It's always a pleasure to play in the United States. I played in the U.S Women's Amateur two years ago, so I have great memories. I just try to have pleasure and to enjoy myself on the golf course.

I don't have any expectations. Just take some pleasure. I want to win every single match, but it's just about you, in your head.

How does your dad help you? Is he your coach, too?

No, he's not my coach. He's just my caddie on the golf course. I have my own trainer. But my daddy knows me better than anyone else. He's caddied for me since junior golf. He always has good words to say to me and we're laughing, even when I'm not going good.

You said you aren't happy with your putting but have you been pleased, otherwise?

Yes. My bad putting was just today. The other days, my putting was so good. Today, even though my putting was not here, my long game was pretty good. This year, I didn't play a lot of tournaments because I had school and graduation (from high school), so I'm just enjoying myself.

When do start college at Wake Forest?

In August.

Are you going home to play at Evian?

No, I'm not. I'm going to play the Women's World Amateur Team Championship in September and represent France. It's in Mexico. I didn't get an invite to Evian because I didn't play any of the tournaments. I didn't play a lot, but the three girls who will play are all better than me.

Does anything change going into the semifinal?

No, I should just focus on myself. We're all tired because it's going to be the sixth day in a row. I just have to make good shots, pars and not be so aggressive. If my opponent is better than me, she's better. I have to play my own game, play good golf and be proud of me. I don't have any regrets.

Catherine Lacoste got things going for the French players a long time ago, winning this tournament. How much would you like to be a French player to win again?

Any woman golf player from France knows about her. She won in Europe, but winning in the U.S. is definitely representing something special. I think I will just trust in myself and do my best. We'll see.