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Rolex Rankings No. 1 Nelly Korda

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Korda on the uniqueness of Maketewah Country Club

“That's very accurate. It's definitely going to take a lot of creativity I would say, especially with trusting your lines. More of also trusting that your carries, too. There are some holes where if you don't carry it 230, 235 with no wind, then you could have -- instead of pitching wedge you could have a 6-iron in, because it'll come all the way down the slope. It's definitely a very unique golf course, but it's also fun to sometimes switch it up and play something you normally don't.”

Rolex Rankings No. 6 Charley Hull

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Hull on the two finish par-3s on Nos. 9 and 18

“I kind of like it because when you come up 17 you're kind of thinking, oh, I'm basically there. I've not got a long hole to walk. Walk to the 18th hole -- 18th green and it's just a par-3 and I'm in the clubhouse and can chill. But it's quite interesting, because obviously you haven't got to worry about a drive, a nerve-wracking drive. It's a pretty simple par-3. You just got get the club right.”

Rolex Rankings No. 9 Lydia Ko

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Ko on what her preparation is like when the Tour goes to a new course

“Yeah, I just obviously have to play the best I can with how they do set it up. There are a few holes where if you don't hit your driver to a certain point the hole can be very different. You know, you could go from literally hitting a flick wedge into the green or having a mid-iron or even a long iron. So I'm not really sure how the rules officials are going to play that out. But, yeah, just because there are a lot of tee box options, and with the contourings of the whole golf course, I think they can really make it exciting. So hopefully that will be the case going forward. But as much as there are hard holes I do believe there are some birdie opportunities. It's unique that there is only two par-5s and it's a par 70. Maybe it's not as easy as some other golf courses. But the golf course is not like super long to start off with anyway, so I do think there are birdie opportunities outside of the two par-5s.”

Rolex Rankings No. 286 Jessica Porvasnik

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Porvasnik on her impressions of the course

“So far I've played nine holes; I'll play nine after this. But I played the front nine and it's a really good track. The greens are going to be kind of the key out there this week. I think hitting lots of greens, putting yourself in the right spot. They definitely have a lot of undulation to them or like slopes, so kind of staying -- trying to stay under the hole when you can I think will be really important.”

Rolex Rankings No. 725 Emma McMyler

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McMyler on getting to return to her home course as a former Xavier women's golf team member

“Yeah, it's kind of a cool feel where I get to come back to a course that I'm familiar with. It's awesome to be back in Cincinnati, and I'm excited to feel the hometown crowd in a way. So it's cool to be back here and have this event at a course that I'm so familiar with.”

Sponsor Invite Alexandra Swayne

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Swayne on representing Maketewah as an honorary member

“Yeah, I think they're all extra excited that I'm here and I know a lot of them are going to come out and watch. But I'm an honorary member here. Proud to represent Maketewah. Happy to be here and representing the golf course.”

Sponsor Invite and Cincinnati Bearcat Ellise Rymer

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Rymer on getting to tee it up alongside the LPGA Tour players this week

“Yeah, it's super cool. It's amazing being able to see the world's best out here, taking advice from them and just watching them. The golf course is super nice. I've played it twice already this week. The front nine

yesterday with Lottie Woad, and then the back nine the day before. So it's nice to be out here and be among the best players in the world.”

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