



April 29, 2019 – Isabella Rawl, 15, of Lexington, SC and Karlee Vardas, Lexington, SC

Q. So you guys are just coming in from the longest playoff match in U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball history.

VARDAS: Oh, really?

RAWL: Really?

Q. Yeah. How do you feel about that?

VARDAS: Tired.

RAWL: Stressful.

VARDAS: Yeah, it's really stressful.

Q. Tell me a little bit about the match.

RAWL: Well, they were 2-up through what?

VARDAS: Through 15?

RAWL: 15. Karlee made a clutch putt on 16; I made a clutch putt on 17, and 18 and then on the last hole.

VARDAS: She drained the birdie.

RAWL: Yeah, it was fun. We didn't want to go to school tomorrow.

VARDAS: Yeah, we didn't want to go to school.

RAWL: It was a bit nerve wracking.

Q. What was it like playing with your competitors? They've got quite a bit of experience.

VARDAS: Yeah, definitely made it a challenge.

RAWL: We kind of got -- we were 2-up through what, like nine?

VARDAS: Through the turn.

RAWL: We didn't play good on the back nine. We just kind of lost it.

VARDAS: And then we were 2-down and we just realized, we woke up and were like, We need to get it together.



RAWL: You could tell that they were experienced. They knew how to handle the pressure.

VARDAS: They were really good.

RAWL: They never played bad golf.

VARDAS: Uh-uh. Never had a stall.

RAWL: They were solid pretty much.

VARDAS: Very solid.

Q. So when you guys saw that you were going through a few bumps in the road, did you have a conversation or just looked at each other and knew it was time to switch it up?

VARDAS: You told me to like stay calm.

RAWL: Yeah. My thoughts were like staying calm. I live for these moments. Like I love them. I've never really had that type of feeling -- not as big, but I think it's just cool like coming up 18 knowing you have to birdie it and then playing those, what, four holes?

VARDAS: The adrenaline is up.

RAWL: Yeah, your adrenaline. I just love it.

Q. So how did today differ from playing yesterday?

RAWL: Oh, it's way different because you're playing against somebody.

VARDAS: Way different, yeah.

RAWL: Yesterday and the day before we could just go out there and go as low as we could.

VARDAS: Make pars, make birdies, but today we had to like really win the hole.

IRAWL: Yeah, you're competing against people and it's just way different. I love it.

VARDAS: Because we had to save birdies. If they birdied we had to save birdie, so it wasn't like we can go under. It was just save the hole, you know?

Q. Absolutely. So what's the game plan now? What are you going to do to prep for tomorrow?

ISABELLA RAWL: I need some sleep.

KARLEE VARDAS: Yeah, definitely tired. Practice a little bit.



ISABELLA RAWL: Yeah, go out to dinner. See what our tee times are.