**2022 U.S. Junior Amateur Championship**

**Tuesday, July 26, Second Round, Stroke Play,**

**Bandon Dunes Golf Resort (Bandon Dunes course & Bandon Trails course)**

**Joshua Koo, Cerritos, Calif. – (69-68—137, 6-under)**

(on his 68 today)

“I knew I was 2-under going into the round so I was just trying to hit greens; aim at the middle of the green and not get into any trouble. That was the main thing for me today. I did that and some birdies fell, and it led me to 4-under. It was a pretty casual round.”

(on the strength of his round)

“I was hitting it really well. Putting was okay, but it was mostly my hitting.”

(on the key putt from the round)

“One finally dropped. I was like ‘one has to drop’ and then it did on hole five. I fist pumped and everything.”

(on making match play after missing the cut in 2021)

“Going into this event I was feeling pretty confident. I was playing really well recently. I was pretty confident that I could make match play this year. Well last year I was confident too, but I missed it, but this year I had a feeling, and it worked out. I’m just glad I was able to avenge myself from last year.”

(on how his game has improved since last year)

“My hitting has always been good, but I feel like it’s gone up a level, and my putting definitely [has improved.] I was averaging around 36 putts at one point last year. It was not good. But my putting definitely improved.”

(on his experience with match play)

“Only as much as I’ve played with friends. Nothing else outside of that. I played some matches with friends leading up to this tournament and I played pretty well, so that gave me some confidence going into here. I’m looking forward to it.”

Notes:

Hole #5 – Made a 45-foot birdie putt