



**KEN TANIGAWA ( -5)**

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**Q. So 67, you have to be happy about that?**

**KEN TANIGAWA:** Very happy with it, yeah.

**Q. What was your mindset going into today?**

**KEN TANIGAWA:** I really didn't have one particular mindset one way or the other. I just love being here, it's one of my favorite spots to play golf. Regardless, just being here to play Pebble, right?

**Q. At what point did your game kind of like change? Was it the like the eagle?**

**KEN TANIGAWA:** That always helps. From the beginning it was okay, I was hitting a lot of greens and just trying to stay patient. If you can do that here, the greens are small, right, so you always have something to look at it, so knock in, right? It felt okay from the beginning.

**Q. How was it balancing with the junior, giving her tips versus just focusing on your game?**

**KEN TANIGAWA:** I had fun. I had no problem with it at all. I was helping her out a lot. And the two AM guys I've known, Tim Knapp plays at my club and Paul I played junior golf with. It was great, I had no problem with it at all. She was a really good player and it was fun.

**Q. So tomorrow you go over to the other course, that's obviously totally different?**

**KEN TANIGAWA:** Right.

**Q. What's your mindset for that?**

**KEN TANIGAWA:** For Poppy? It was firm when played it, so just the bouncy conditions. It's obviously not Pebble, but it will be fun either way, right?

**Q. Does this kind of tournament test a player because it's usually on one course obviously, you know.**

**KEN TANIGAWA:** Yeah, I think it's always easier on one course, right? Just the logistics of playing. Luckily I've played Pebble a lot. Poppy not as much, so that kind of helps. But yeah, I don't know if it's any harder or easier, just different. Everybody's got to play it.

**Q. Can you just take us through your eagle on the 11th hole?**

**KEN TANIGAWA:** I hit a drive that went left and hit it in the fairway bunker. Hit a 4-iron out to around 15 feet, which is, you know, that's pretty good for me, and then I made the putt, which is good, too. So that was it.

I was kind of unhappy with my tee shot because you hit it in the fairway, you can get home pretty easy. So I had a good lie in the bunker and I was far enough back so it wasn't an issue getting it up over the lip of the tree there and it just worked out.