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A Post-Match Interview With:

CAROLINE WOZNIACKI

**Caroline Wozniacki defeats Anastasia Rodionova
6-3, 6-3
Third Round**

Q. Obviously a long day, two matches in very different conditions, it seems, so can you just talk through just how your day was?

CAROLINE WOZNIACKI: Yeah. It was tough conditions to play in this wind, a little chilly tonight as well and then playing someone who doesn't give you any rhythm. Obviously she plays a lot of doubles, so she was coming in, doing drop shots and hitting the ball hard and then slow. She was definitely trying to break my rhythm up, and it was difficult. But I managed to pull through.

Q. What adjustments did you make there? Looked like you were running away with it to start the match, and then she started to come through. Was that more her or maybe a loss of focus on your part?

CAROLINE WOZNIACKI: I think she started playing a little bit better, and then I missed a few opportunities to kind of break her or hold serve, and then it got a little bit closer than it should have been.

Q. I know obviously nobody likes playing in wind, but when there are acclimate weather conditions like this, do you kind of think it plays into your hands a little bit in terms of what you can do on the court?

CAROLINE WOZNIACKI: Yeah. I think when it's windy like this, it definitely evens out the playing field a little bit, so the better player doesn't have as much of an advantage. But at the same time I grew up in Denmark and we had windy conditions there as well, so you kind of learn to deal with it a little bit, and I just played with bigger margins and try to figure out which way the wind is blowing and use it for my advantage.

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Q. Caroline, obviously not a lot of time to prepare for tomorrow, and you played two matches today. What do you kind of do tonight? How do you get your body back before you got turn around and play a third match within a 26-hour span?

CAROLINE WOZNIACKI: I think I'm well prepared for tomorrow. I got some clay tennis in today and feel like I'm just going to go out there and have fun and do my best and see how it goes.

Q. Caroline, where are you right now with your fuel tank? How is it feeling?

CAROLINE WOZNIACKI: I don't want to think about it too much because I think once I start thinking about it, I'm going to mentally get really tired and drained. So right now I just keep pushing through, and I know I'm going to have a break after this, so that's nice to think about. So I'm just going to give it all I have for this tournament, try and go all the way, and then I can take a well-deserved break after.

Q. Does this feel like a bit of a sprint to the finish line for you with the break that's impending?

CAROLINE WOZNIACKI: Definitely, yes. I mean it's always nice to think I've had a great month, great few weeks, and hopefully I can finish it off well here and then take a little bit of time off and enjoy it. So I want to do well here so I can relax feeling good about it.

Q. Have you talked to your dad or to Sascha after -- I know that the turnaround was obviously very quick because you were in the final in Miami, but about any adjustments to make on clay or are you just kind of playing and then we'll figure it out later?

CAROLINE WOZNIACKI: Honestly, I'm just playing right now. I had one practice session before the tournament started for me, and that was it. I just kind of run on experience and try and figure it out out there.

And yeah, it was difficult today with the wind, so it's not like you really get a great feel for the clay, but at least I got some sliding in, and especially since last year I didn't play any clay at all, it was kind of nice for me just to feel comfortable with the footing and feel comfortable sliding again.

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