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## **Emma Raducanu**

**Press Conference** 

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6-3, 3-6, 6-2

THE MODERATOR: Emma, a tough match today. Talk us through your thoughts on how you played and how your opponent played.

EMMA RADUCANU: Yeah, I think it was always going to be a tough match. Both of us, we both won a slam, like, we're both good players. It was always going to be a difficult matchup.

But, yeah, I think there were definitely patches of some pretty good tennis in there, yeah.

THE MODERATOR: Questions, please.

Q. It sounded like you were saying to the team at the side of the court that your wrist was bothering you a bit during the match. Was that the case?

EMMA RADUCANU: It's something I've been managing for some time. And, yeah, I just need to review after this tournament really and figure out what my next steps are.

Q. I thought the second set was high-quality tennis, especially the 3-4 game. Did you feel that would carry you on in momentum? Where was the letdown in the third set?

EMMA RADUCANU: I think that in the third obviously I went Love-40 first game on her serve. She played a few good service points. I missed one second-serve return, which I went for against the wind. Then I think that I was going for my shots early third set, but I was just missing. I remember a service game at 2-All, yeah, I just missed. I was going for it, but I missed.

I'm happy I went for my shot rather than pushing it in. But, yes, live and die by my stroke really.

Q. (No microphone.)

EMMA RADUCANU: Yeah, I think I had a lot of break



points. I played the deuce points very well. I stayed aggressive. Definitely felt, yeah, pretty good. I felt like I was actually playing the right way.

Q. When you said you're going to review it, does that mean you might go and see somebody different about it or get some alternative advice on it?

EMMA RADUCANU: Yeah, because we have been managing it, keeping on top of it. I'm able to play in the short-term. But the current solutions aren't very viable long-term.

Q. You put a higher-than-average percentage of first serves in. Have you been working with your coach on first serve?

EMMA RADUCANU: I think I've been working on going for more. I think I could even go for more on my first serve because my second serve win percentage is really high.

Yeah, I'm working on it.

Q. How would you kind of sum up where you are? This is almost like a natural break in the season in a way after this for everyone. Where would you sum up where you are after three months compared to last year?

EMMA RADUCANU: I think that I'm doing the right things day to day, which brings me confidence. I feel like this year has been difficult in the sense that I have been managing a few existing injuries. Yeah, that has been annoying and frustrating because I've been working as best as I can.

I feel like I'm enjoying the competition. Yeah, just really, really happy to be on the match court.

Q. Can you give us your view on your scheduling for April? Obviously you're playing Stuttgart, as I understand it, but you're not playing Coventry. How did you come to that decision?

EMMA RADUCANU: Well, I think because of my existing injuries, the best medical advice was to not switch surfaces

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at such short notice. So that's what I've been told.

Q. On the Billie Jean King Cup, our understanding is you need to play one more time in the cycle to be eligible for Paris. Has that been something you've been thinking about? How big a deal would it be to play in Paris for you?

EMMA RADUCANU: Yeah, of course I would love to play the Billie Jean King Cup. It's just this scenario is not the best for my body. I really need to look after myself and do what's best for me on the match court.

## Q. How big would the Olympics be?

EMMA RADUCANU: Of course, I would love to play the Olympics.

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