



AUSTIN COOK (-14)

Q. Bogey free for the week, a lot of wind out there. What was the key for you?

AUSTIN COOK: We've just been able to hit the ball really well. A couple of the putts, speed on greens has been really good and getting up and down has been great. I've been able to hit it pretty close to the hole to make some pretty stress-free putts. But the couple putts that I have had of some length for par, I've been able to roll them in and everything's going well.

Q. You're four for four for cuts now on the PGA TOUR as a rookie. Now, I know you've dipped your toe in the water before, you Monday qualified a little bit. What's been the key for you so far this year?

AUSTIN COOK: Yeah, I really think that a couple years ago, the experience that I have had, I think I've played maybe 10 events, nine events before this season. I think being in contention a few times and making cuts, having my card has really prepared me for this.

Q. You've got veteran caddie Kip Henley on the bag, he's caddied for PGA TOUR winners before, caddied for Vijay Singh for a while. How did that relationship come about?

AUSTIN COOK: One of the club pros in my hometown actually worked underneath Kip when Kip was a head pro at a golf course and he said, hey, I think Kip's open. I said, Who's that? He said, A buddy. I said, Okay, whatever, give him a call. Kip came out to the Web Finals and we missed our first cut in Columbus, but then after that, three top 10s, I think, so it's been going well.

Q. What is he able to help you with?

AUSTIN COOK: I think just getting comfortable over a shot. With him being out here so long, he knows everybody, so it's not like I'm completely the new kid on the block. He knows and he's introduced me to a lot of people so it's just making me feel comfortable out here. He knows his way around these golf courses, we're working really well together.

Q. We're joined by Austin Cook, second round 62 to move into the lead, but what's more impressive, that 62 or the fact that you've gone 36 holes without a bogey?

AUSTIN COOK: I think the 62 today. The wind was a lot heavier today, I guess you would say. Especially on that golf course, you feel it a lot more, a lot more exposure than on the Plantation. I think it was just good ball striking and I was just glad to carry it over into today.

Q. You're four for four in cuts made so far this season, your rookie season on the PGA TOUR. What have you learned in the very short amount of time you've been playing out here?

AUSTIN COOK: That I have the ability and the capability to play with these guys. I think it's really easy to get ahead of yourself or really get down on yourself with just one shot, but over the past few years, with some of the PGA experience that I've gotten, I've been able to learn just keep level headed and one shot, you know, don't throw the whole round away for one shot.

Q. Putting yourself in contention, what's the mindset going into the weekend?

AUSTIN COOK: The same stuff that we've been doing, just fairways and greens and trying to hit good putts.