

ALBERTSONS BOISE OPEN

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ROUND 3 INTERVIEW

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TAYLOR MONTGOMERY (-18)

Q. Taylor, 8 under today. Can you take us through your round, what was working best for you?

TAYLOR MONTGOMERY: Everything really. Putted pretty well at the start. The greens were definitely softer early on and then the last like five, six, seven holes, the greens started to get a little firmer and give us a little preview for what's in store tomorrow because this place can get really tough to hit it close when it starts getting firm.

Q. So regardless of where Knowles finishes today, this will be the third straight tournament for you in the top 3 heading into the final round. Is your golf game right now kind of at the top tier level?

TAYLOR MONTGOMERY: Yeah, I've been playing solid, hitting it good, chipping it good, putting it good. When you do that, you're probably going to be up there. It can come and go at any moment, this game's a brutal game, but excited to be there tomorrow.

Q. The front nine a lot of people are going pretty low on. How much of a confidence boost is it getting off to a good start at the front end of your round?

TAYLOR MONTGOMERY: I think it's that way just because of the conditions where they got, I don't know, maybe some pin locations as well, but it definitely helps. It's a lot nicer going into the back nine under par than it is over par.

Q. You wrapped up your card last week in Omaha. Do you approach this week any different than any other regular event?

TAYLOR MONTGOMERY: I would say like off the golf course, locking up your card like even during the season is, it's not really on your mind. Like it feels great, but on the golf course you still want to play well and like the same thoughts come up -- oh, there's water there, there's a tree here. Kind of the golf doesn't change, but outside of it at your hotel and stuff you aren't thinking about it, which is really nice.

Q. What are you watching now?

TAYLOR MONTGOMERY: I haven't been watching anything lately, but it was Breaking Bad for a while. Walter White's the man.

Q. Tell me about that putter. I noticed (inaudible.)

TAYLOR MONTGOMERY: Oh, yeah, everybody makes fun of me for it. I keep trying to repaint the thing, but it just keeps on getting chipped. Even like the white part of the putter keeps getting chipped, so I constantly am repainting it. I don't know if I'll ever get rid of it.

Q. It looks like it's got stories to tell?

TAYLOR MONTGOMERY: Oh, yeah.

Q. How different is kind of the atmosphere or the feel playing in the Finals compared to regular season KFT events?

TAYLOR MONTGOMERY: I'd say there's probably, we have the Tour guys coming down, so it's cool to play golf with them, and the crowds are pretty cool. I'd say out here Boise's a pretty small town and it's nice that they come out and support the tournament.

Q. You're in a pretty good place to get to No. 1 on the 25. How does that make you feel? What's your thought process on that?

TAYLOR MONTGOMERY: That would be nice, I'd like to get into the U.S. Open and THE PLAYERS Championship would be sweet.