ROUND 1 INTERVIEW January 19, 2023

DARREN CLARKE (-7)



Q. Seven-under-par start here at Hualalai, what was the key for you today, Darren?

DARREN CLARKE: You know, I hit four or five shots that I really didn't like as well, early season, but I worked really hard in the offseason. Disappointed with a few of them, but overall, 7 under par, I'm delighted to start my year off with that.

Q. Specifically in the offseason what were you working hard on?

DARREN CLARKE: Just trying to rotate a lot more and get through the golf ball a little bit better. I had a little bit too much curve on it right to left a few times. Going to go to the range now and try and figure that out and hopefully be a little bit better tomorrow.

Q. Seemed like you were pounding that new driver you have.

DARREN CLARKE: Yeah, that new TaylorMade, a couple of times I got it out there, it was good. I missed a few as well. Just I hit a lot of good ones and a couple ones that needs work.

Q. Overall pleased?

DARREN CLARKE: Oh, most definitely. Anytime you shoot 7 under at any golf course you're pleased, but obviously first tournament of the year you want to get off to a good start and I managed to have a good round today. There's always that one you're looking forward to getting going again and it's nice to shoot a good score today. Obviously I like the golf course, I won here a couple years ago. Hopefully go out and have a couple of better rounds the next two days.