

**ROUND 2 INTERVIEW**  
**March 31, 2023**

**MICHAEL THOMPSON (-7)**



**Q. Four birdies in a row to close. You birdied 15, 16, just barely missed at 17, but still a great finish.**

**MICHAEL THOMPSON:** It's funny, whenever I'm playing well, I always go back to my Bama days. Our physical trainer, Rocky, he would always preach strong legs on the finish. So those last few holes, that's what I was trying to think of. Hit some really great shots. Anytime you birdie three out of the last four or just a couple birdies coming in, it's good.

**Q. Yeah, I mean, 68 is solid here, this is a tough golf course. It's yielding some birdies today for whatever reason, but still you have to be very happy.**

**MICHAEL THOMPSON:** Yeah, absolutely. The wind out here makes this golf course very, very difficult. It's tight off the tee, greens are pretty narrow so you've got to be on with your distance and your direction. I think the one thing that's kind of allowing the scores to be a little bit lower than normal is the greens are fairly receptive and a little bit slower than we've seen in the past, but I'm not complaining.

**Q. You're still the only PGA TOUR player who's an Eagle Scout. I know you're proud of that.**

**MICHAEL THOMPSON:** Really, still?

**Q. I think so. Are you still giving out the hats and the balls when you talk to the Boy Scouts?**

**MICHAEL THOMPSON:** No, I haven't in a while, I need to do that again. My son is 6 years old, so I'm looking forward to him getting involved in scouting because I've got a lot of great memories.

**Q. Scouting, but you've got to get him into golf, too.**

**MICHAEL THOMPSON:** He loves -- he doesn't like watching it, but he loves going to the golf course and hitting that ball as far as he can.

