ROUND 3 QUICK QUOTE July 29, 2023

J.T. POSTON (-15)



- Q. J.T., another solid round, you're the only one in between the leader here. Just kind of how did the round go today?
- **J.T. POSTON:** It was solid. I really hit the ball good today and feel like I had a lot of control of my golf ball, which is always nice. Another bogey-free round, so again, it's just been really solid. For tomorrow I'll try and do the same thing and hopefully get more putts to drop because I think I'm gonna need a low one.
- Q. How do you approach it when you're four shots back but still in the final group?
- **J.T. POSTON:** Yeah, it's kind of a funny place to be. Lee's playing some great golf, I would expect him to do the same tomorrow. I know he's chasing his first win and it's probably only a matter of time till he gets it done out here. For me to get it done I'm going to probably have to shoot something lower than I have this week.
- Q. Even with how consistent you've been, three straight 66s is really talented, how do you chase something even lower than that? Is it maybe just be a little bit more aggressive?
- **J.T. POSTON:** Like I said, I've got good control of the golf ball and I've hit a lot of good quality shots. The first day I putted it really well and made a lot of good putts, but it was playing really tough that day. I think with the easier conditions, if I can putt it like I did that first day and hit it like I have been, then I could probably steal a few more and shoot seven, eight, maybe nine under par. I don't think I'll change anything. I'm hitting it good, I'm hitting a lot of greens and that's all I'm really asking is try and get the putter hot.
- Q. How big or small is a five-shot lead out on this course?
- **J.T. POSTON:** I mean, I don't know that the course has anything to do with it. I think a five-shot lead's a five-shot lead. He's played really well the first few days obviously and it's never easy to win, but it's nice to have a little bit of a cushion, I guess.

Yeah, I mean, this golf course yields some birdies, so my goal is to try and put some pressure early and see where we end up at the end of the day.

- Q. What's your mindset on the 16th tee when they move it up like 100 yards, you know that everyone's going to have a chance to go for it there?
- J.T. POSTON: Yeah, it's definitely a birdie hole. It already feels like it's a birdie hole if you



can get one in the fairway, but when they make it drivable like that, you're just trying to position yourself where you can make an easy three, easy birdie, because if you make par there or worse, you really feel like you're losing a shot to the field.

Q. Does it feel like a long par 3?

- **J.T. POSTON:** Pretty much, yeah. With that wind today down off the right, too, made it easier than it could have been with a different wind. You still have to hit good shots, you're still hitting driver, so it's still a hard par 3 if you're hitting driver.
- Q. You've been in these positions before around the lead, at the lead after three rounds. What is Lee dealing with over the next 24 hours as he sleeps on a lead?
- **J.T. POSTON:** It's not easy. My last win on the John Deere I slept on the lead a few days in a row. It's an uncomfortable feeling, but it's exciting at the same time. This is why we play, this is why we're out here, this is all of our goals is to win. Lee's no different. He's won at other levels, so I'm sure he'll be drawing off of that and trying to get it done tomorrow, too.
- Q. Have you been paired with Lee previously on Tour, and if so, do you recall the last time that happened?
- **J.T. POSTON:** I don't know, I feel like we definitely have been paired together out here. I feel like it's been a while. But he's a good buddy, we play some practice rounds together and I know him really well. He's a good friend. So if I can't get it done tomorrow, I'll be pulling for him.

