

**ROUND 1 QUICK QUOTES**  
September 14, 2023

**JOEL DAHMEN (-3)**



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**Q. Joel, bogey-free 3-under 69, if we can get some comments on your round.**

**JOEL DAHMEN:** I'm a little surprised. I mean, I've played awful golf this calendar year, didn't really do much the last five weeks since Wyndham. Played a couple times at home with buddies, but I didn't have any expectations. Played kind of nice today actually, I made a lot of good putts. If I drive it a little bit better the next couple days, I think I'm going to kind of be around.

**Q. What were the conditions like? Did they seem pretty good?**

**JOEL DAHMEN:** They were unbelievable, yeah. Sometimes it's really cold in the mornings here. It was great, just had a light sweater on. I've never seen the golf course in this good of shape. I think this is my sixth time playing here probably. This is unbelievable, the greens are rolling great. I felt like it was really scorable out there. Looking at the scoreboard, it definitely played a littler harder than I thought it did.

**Q. Have you been working on anything over the last few weeks getting ready for this week?**

**JOEL DAHMEN:** No, I just really enjoyed family time. I got to spend a lot of time with my kiddo. Daddy duty's been really fun for me, so golf was the furthest thing from my mind. Coming up here is just kind of fun. We enjoy food and some wine and golf is a little bit secondary, so it was nice to get off to a good start.

**Q. It was a nice round, it was fun round. What did you like about it?**

**JOEL DAHMEN:** I had a good pairing, obviously it's fun playing with Max. He's one of the best players in the world now, just kind of feeding off him a little bit and just kind of hanging out. I hadn't seen Geno in five weeks, either, so just fun to kind of catch up with him, chat, hang out and play a little golf.

**Q. I don't know where he's setting you up on this, he said to ask about your tee shot on 16. I haven't watched any golf today, so I don't --**

**JOEL DAHMEN:** Sixteen, what hole is 16? That was three holes ago. The new routing screws me up. Sixteen a par-3, I hit it on the green.

**Q. (No microphone.)**



**JOEL DAHMEN:** Oh, yeah. That was not a good one.

**Q. I don't know if he was setting me up. Was that the best shot the day?**

**JOEL DAHMEN:** It was the worst one. It's just kind of a simple one. You hit like a 3-wood or driver down there and just have a wedge to the green. I somehow hit this low, smother hook and had 200 yards left instead of a wedge, but escaped with a par, though. But thanks, Geno, for bringing up the worst drive of the day.