ROUND 1 QUICK QUOTES November 16, 2023

**DAVIS THOMPSON (-6)** 



# Q. I'm guessing any other week if the weather was like this out here, you would just stay home?

**DAVIS THOMPSON:** Yeah, probably just stay home, probably call it a day. Yeah, it was a long day today.

#### Q. So is this the worst you've played this in then?

**DAVIS THOMPSON:** I wouldn't say worse. I feel like usually it's colder this time of year, so the fact that it wasn't that cold, but yeah, it's tough to judge out there with the wind. Obviously with how soft it is, you can't really land it by the hole, it's just going to rip back, spin back, so you gotta really dial in your numbers.

## Q. Does it feel like a tournament or does it feel like home? How was it like just playing in a place you know so well?

**DAVIS THOMPSON:** Yeah, definitely feels like a tournament. We don't really play it in this condition out there throughout the year. Usually when we play, the weather's great and just go out and make a lot of birdies. You know, the greens are faster, the fairways are cut tighter, so it's definitely more of a challenge than when we just come out and play.

#### Q. What were a couple of the shots that you were most proud of from today?

**DAVIS THOMPSON:** Yeah, I feel like iron shot I hit on 4 was a good one. If you land it short, it's just going to spin back off the green. If you hit it too long, you're dead in the bunker. So hit one up there to about seven feet, made the putt and had a great finish. Hit two really good iron shots at 16 and 17, hit a great chip shot on 18.

## Q. Changing topics, can I get your thoughts on Georgia-Alabama in a couple weeks?

**DAVIS THOMPSON:** Alabama's playing really well. We are, too. Seems like both teams are just steadily progressing. Not going to give a prediction.

## Q. Not going to give a prediction? Do you feel like it's a jinx?

DAVIS THOMPSON: I don't want any bad karma.

#### Q. What's the key, the one thing that Georgia's got to do right?

**DAVIS THOMPSON:** They've got to stop the run. They run the ball really well. I feel like our DBs are really good, but if we can't stop the run, it's just going to be a long day for us.

# Q. Do you feel better or worse about that game now than maybe when Alabama was potentially going to lose to USF?

**DAVIS THOMPSON:** Man, it's just speaks to how good Coach Saban was. Like I said, they're just progressing throughout the year, he's doing a great job of coaching them. Yeah, I think everybody kind of, when they were about to lose that game, but yeah, they turned it around. Should be a great game in a couple weeks.

# Q. I think I saw that now that's it's official, the open spread on that was Georgia minus 3, I think, what. Two months ago? Double that now, do you think? What do you think?

**DAVIS THOMPSON:** Yeah, two months ago, I mean, I'd probably say it would be closer to anywhere from 7 to 10, but I think it will be pretty even once again.

# **Q.** Last we heard that Uga was supposed to make an appearance today and he had to cancel and you may have been disappointed about that?

**DAVIS THOMPSON:** Yeah, I was disappointed. I didn't know that. I knew he was coming down, I didn't know he had to cancel. Yeah, I was over on Plantation, I wouldn't have seen him anyway. Wish he could be here this weekend, but I know he's got to be up in Knoxville.