

ROUND 2 QUICK QUOTES
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LUDVIG ÅBERG (-11)



Q. What was the carry distance on 5?

LUDVIG ÅBERG: 295 meters.

Q. I'll look it up. Do you know the math in yards?

LUDVIG ÅBERG: Just under 330, I think.

Q. Did you have to do anything extra or did the wind do it for you?

LUDVIG ÅBERG: I think the wind did it for me. To be honest, I kind of pushed it a little bit. I was just trying to aim for the left edge, but obviously it was nice that it stayed on but it was a good swing.

Q. You talked about learning from tendencies. Curious, weekends since you've turned pro, what are some things you've learned from those weekends when you've been in contention that you can apply during this time?

LUDVIG ÅBERG: I think you've still got to respect the golf course and the game and that's what I try to do.

Q. You said in your press conference the other day something about maybe sitting down on Monday and planning out what you're going to do for this year. I presume you're going to start in Kapalua because you can, but you may not. Are you going to start in the Middle East?

LUDVIG ÅBERG: My intention is to stay and play here in America, to play on the PGA TOUR. Like I said before, I think we'll sit down on Monday and kind of talk it over. My intention is the PGA TOUR, that's where I want to play, and I guess we're just going to have to see where that ends up.

Q. Did you expect to do as well as you have done?

LUDVIG ÅBERG: I think both yes and no. I think I know my capabilities and I know my -- I know my strengths. But also, to be able to do it this quickly, probably not. I mean, it's been so much fun. I still pinch myself in the morning whenever I wake up that I actually get to do this for a living, but it's really cool and I'm looking forward to a bunch of years ahead of me.

Q. So happy surprise?



LUDVIG ÅBERG: A little bit, pleasant surprise, yeah.

Q. Bogey-free so far. How hard has that been to do? Have you had almost hiccups?

LUDVIG ÅBERG: I feel like I've been striking the ball quite well, which obviously is nice in the wind, which is quite tricky to kind of maneuver. I made a few par putts today, I made some 10-footer-ish for par on 1 and then it's nice to get those momentum putts and to keep the round going a little bit. But there's no guarantees, but if I keep doing what I'm doing today, I like my chances.

Q. Kind of a shorter course for the Tour. Do you scale it back, hit a few drivers, or do you still just be aggressive?

LUDVIG ÅBERG: I like to see myself as an aggressive player, but I'll just play the course and if it makes sense to hit driver, I'll do it, if not, I'll just lay back a little bit.

Q. What did it feel like the first time you were in contention on the Tour?

LUDVIG ÅBERG: Obviously there's a lot of -- it's nervous, it's nerve wracking, but it's something that you want to do and something that I've been wanting to do for a very long time. You know, fortunate for me I've had a few of those experiences now and hopefully I'll be able to keep doing that and kind of learn from them and see where that takes me.

Q. Do you feel comfortable being in the lead?

LUDVIG ÅBERG: I mean, I think I've been in the lead a few times, and every time you do it, it gets easier. Kind of understand what's going on with your body and your emotions and your mind and try to keep that intact. That's all I can do. Looking forward to a nice couple of days.

Q. Speaking of being in the lead, a lot of people get there or they're trying to win and for some reason maybe they have a similar skill set to yours but they can't get over the hump. You seem to be one of those kinds of players that doesn't have any kind of fear about -- there can be a fear of winning just like there can be a fear of losing. How do you develop that?

LUDVIG ÅBERG: I think I'm a competitor like every other guy out here. We like to compete and winning tournaments is what you want to do. I consider myself very, very fortunate to be in this position and I view it as a privilege to be able to feel that kind of pressure and tension and nervousness. It's not something that I want to back down from. I want to keep doing what I'm doing and hit good golf shots and make putts.

