

ROUND 2 QUICK QUOTES
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PETER KUEST (-9)

Q. Through two days the stats looks like you're hitting the ball really well. Has that just kind of been the key to these two rounds so far?

PETER KUEST: Yeah, some good ball-striking, keeping it in the short stuff and giving ourselves good looks at birdie and try to capitalize on as many opportunities as we can.

Q. What was the goal for this week? Did you have anything in mind? Obviously play as well as possible, but do you look at what you need to do and that sort of stuff?

PETER KUEST: No, I didn't really have a goal coming in. I mean, I just wanted to keep doing what I was doing. I knew I was working on the right things and doing the right things to put myself in positions like this, so just trusting that and just letting it go. Not really worrying about the outcome, just going through the process and sticking to it and whatever happens, happens.

Q. What's been the key to the good play on the PGA TOUR this year?

PETER KUEST: Just a lot of hard work. I mean, every guy out here's really good and a lot of guys, almost everyone works really hard at it. It's just sticking to your process and not getting caught up on what everyone else is doing, just trying to do the best I can.

Q. What are the keys to your process?

PETER KUEST: It always comes down to working on the short game, keeping that tight. I strike the ball really well. Anytime I have a good ball-striking week I feel like I have a good chance to put up some low numbers.

Q. Did anyone tell you what you need to do this week to make -- to get your card?

PETER KUEST: Oh, I have no idea. I don't know. I mean, whatever happens, happens. I'm just looking to play well and whatever happens after Sunday, happens after Sunday.

Q. Bogey-free through 36. Had there been some close calls, and how often have you been able to play that well two days in a row?

PETER KUEST: Haven't really been many close calls with making bogeys out there. Couple like two and a half, three-footers you knock in. I mean, a bogey's probably going to happen, I'm not real worried about it happening or trying to avoid keeping the bogey-free thing going. Just stick to the process and whatever happens, happens.



Q. How hard is it to do what you've been doing this season without the status?

PETER KUEST: It's been pretty tough. You're behind the eight-ball, so there's a lot of uncertainties. I feel like if I go out and play well, the sky's the limit, anything can happen. I mean, just a mindset of, all right, I can do it, so let's go do it.

Q. How much more comfortable do you feel now than you did at the beginning of the season playing out here?

PETER KUEST: I've always felt pretty comfortable because I got six starts back in 2020, so I got a little taste of kind of what it was like out here. I'm good friends with Tony and Zach out of Utah, so I see those guys quite a bit. Yeah, at the end of the day it's just golf. These guys are just really good.

Q. Is there a difference in your game physically or approach mentally this year compared to years past that's allowed you to have this good season?

PETER KUEST: Not really. It's just been like continuous progress and getting better and fine tuning some things. Just kind of letting it fly and not trying to steer the golf ball, just letting it go.

Q. Is this happening for you at the pace you thought it would or have you exceeded your own expectations?

PETER KUEST: Oh, I've no idea. I mean, everyone's timeline's different. It's just -- I just go with the flow and try to do my best. Whether it be this year or next year, whatever, I'm just going to -- I'm still going to go back and work hard at my game after this week. It doesn't matter the results, you know.

Q. What's the best shot you hit today?

PETER KUEST: The 3-iron I hit on, what was it, 12, the par 3, I think. Kind of back into that wind. I made par, but it was still a good shot. It was a tough par 3 into that wind with the bunker right. Hit it I think 30 feet below the hole, so that felt like that was my best shot.

