

ROUND 2 QUICK QUOTES
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DENNY McCARTHY (-10)



Q. Denny, good playing, finishing up this morning on the Plantation course and then the 3-under round on Seaside. What was working well for you today?

DENNY McCARTHY: Driving. I drove the ball really, really well. It made a lot of the shots after that less stressful. I played stress-free golf for the most part, which I wasn't really expecting. I didn't really have much expectations coming into this week. Obviously game felt good. I had some nice downtime and got back into it the last few weeks and felt good, but you never really know after a layoff. I think I've just been in a really good mood. I needed some downtime. It's just been kind of fun to come out and play a few rounds of golf.

Q. What was the most interesting thing you did during the downtime and when was the last time that you had that much time off?

DENNY McCARTHY: We went to Jackson Hole to 6,000 feet and we did a hike up to 10,000 feet, so that was pretty interesting. Bachelor party in Bakers Bay, which was obviously a lot of fun. Back and forth to Maryland a few times. It's been good. There was a period of time there, month and a half, where I didn't even think about touching a golf club, which is nice. Like I said, I haven't really had a break in a long time, seven or eight years playing professional golf, so it's nice to kind of just put the clubs down and do other things. Excited to get back into golf this week.

Q. I know you like coming to play this tournament, but what are you looking to accomplish in your first start since BMW?

DENNY McCARTHY: Just kind of get some reps. You know, we have some family friends here, and like you've mentioned, this is an event that I always like coming to with some friends. And my parents usually come. My dad's here, my mom and sisters and my fiancée are coming tonight so, it will be a fun weekend.

I'm a free agent club-wise, so there's a couple things I wanted to test out and no better way to do that than having all the trucks here Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday. So we got some things to mess around with the next month and a half, in the next downtime that I have. All kind of added up, combination of being a fun week, getting some equipment to mess around with in the offseason and just wanting to get some reps and see where the game was. All three of those kind of factored into me playing this week.

Q. The mini driver that you put in the bag that you were talking about on the radio, could you provide some detail on that?



DENNY McCARTHY: Yeah, it's basically just a really strong 3-wood. It's a bigger face than a 3-wood. I wasn't hitting my 3-wood particularly great and I had a hybrid too that was a little inconsistent. I added a 5-wood that goes a little higher, a little farther than the hybrid I was using.

And then the mini driver is just a great club. I got it at the end of last season and have messed around it the last two or three weeks. I called my caddie pretty giddy about it a couple different times, like this club's amazing, we have to put this in the bag. We're obviously going to have to change a few things setup-wise, but this club needs to go in the bag. It's been great, so I feel super free swinging it and it's kind of just been point and shoot, it's been going where I've been looking. We like that.

