ROUND 1 QUOTES January 24, 2024

COLLIN MORIKAWA (-5)



COLLIN MORIKAWA: Been tweaking a few things, kind of seeing how the game's going to prepare and this is a big stretch of golf right now. It's one of my favorite golf courses that we play on tour. The North Course is where you're going to make more birdies, so it was nice to just kind of put it in the fairway, give myself some opportunities and hopefully we can bring that on over to the South Course the next few days.

Q. A lot of rain here this week at Torrey Pines. How did that change things going into today?

COLLIN MORIKAWA: You can be a little bit more aggressive. Even with a 6-iron you're not going to be worried about balls rolling off the greens or kind of running off. Can be a little bit more aggressive. We were able to hit some pretty good iron shots today and convert a few.

Q. Just talking to Patrick about the California trio you guys had going today. What's that like when you get to play in your home state with such --

COLLIN MORIKAWA: Yeah, I love California. California has some of the best golf courses that we play on our Tour and it's just nice to have a couple of events out here. I guess my next few events will all be in California, so very exciting.

Q. As you look to tomorrow and beyond, any big goals, things you're going to work on heading into the South Course?

COLLIN MORIKAWA: I think if I can keep hitting the way I did today, I'll be very happy for the week, and we'll just get a few more putts and kind of around the greens, time that up a little bit, but other than that I was very happy with today. You've really got to play out of the fairway out here.

