## ROUND 2 QUOTES February 2, 2024

#### THOMAS DETRY (-11)



**THOMAS DETRY:** I would say mainly yesterday shooting 9 under obviously helps. It's not easy out there, it's very wet. The greens are a little bit bumpy obviously with all the amateurs and all the players playing. Spinny greens as well, so it's not easy to get it close especially with all those back flags, the ball tends to spin back a lot.

Overall very pleased with the way I managed to control my ball flight. Obviously hit a lot of fairways and I putted the ball really well the last two days, which was nice.

# Q. Curious how many times you've played these two courses before this week, because they're very difficult for first-timers.

**THOMAS DETRY:** Yeah, I only played it -- last year actually was my first time playing a round here. I really enjoyed it. It's funny because usually the rotation, Spyglass tends to be the tougher course. Obviously all the lower scores were on Spyglass yesterday. Maybe it was because the wind I think may have affected it a little bit.

Yeah, you definitely need experience especially on a course like Spyglass, which was nice having played it last year and know my way around and know where to miss it and know where to hit it, that was definitely a bonus. Yeah, looking forward to play another two rounds at Pebble.

# Q. Can you explain how it's going to be like the next two days, especially Sunday? Like are you an all-weather guy, that's no problem?

**THOMAS DETRY:** I've played in Europe for six years and I feel like we pretty much play every single week in a tornado. I'm fine with it, I embrace it. Looks like this week is a short field as well, so looks like everybody's going to have kind of the similar draw, not like someone's going to tee up in the morning and someone else in the afternoon. It will be the same for everyone. Got to keep focus, grind it out.

#### Q. What do you think has held you back from winning on this tour so far?

**THOMAS DETRY:** What's holding me back? That's a good question. What's holding me back from winning on the DP Tour? It's something I've wondered.

I tend to maybe question myself a little bit too much, I tend to have a lot of thoughts rushing through my brain sometimes on Sundays. I've been trying to work really hard with some people to improve that, to be more focused and to be more -- to stay more in the present. Sounds a bit cliche, but that's what you have to do, you have to stay in the present.



I know my game is really solid, I've been playing some really good golf now for the last couple years, so all I have to do is really trust it and keep building on all these good rounds that I've done under pressure. Last week I played great on Friday, played great yesterday. It's an elevated event. I feel more and more comfortable out there.

## Q. You mentioned last week, I'm just curious, like what happened on the weekend that you were able to turn it around clearly these first two days here?

**THOMAS DETRY:** It was not easy, to be honest. It was very frustrating because I felt like my game was really up there and a great chance to win the tournament. I got a bit unlucky on Friday, I hit a sprinkler head once and I spun it back into the water on 18, that was very frustrating.

I guess Saturday, the last round was frustrating as well because I had it going. I was three off the lead and I made three bogeys in a row.

I feel like having one extra day, obviously it was a Saturday finish last week, having one extra day of being able to rest and spend time with the family kind of makes you forget a little bit about that weekend. My game is, as I said, in good shape so all I had to do is play my game on Thursday out here and it paid off.

