# ROUND 3 QUOTES February 3, 2024

### JASON DAY (-13)



## Q. How did that last putt not go in to tie the course record?

**JASON DAY:** I've been really struggling with my speed of the putts, especially from that distance. Even if it went in, I don't think I'd get the course record anyway with how Wyndham's playing. He's playing some tremendous golf, which is nice to see. I played with him the first two rounds, I was just saying earlier that he looked like he was really struggling with his patience the first day and then found himself on Pebble here yesterday, played some really good golf and then obviously is keeping that going.

Just the way that the conditions were today, the way that the course setup was, if you had -- if you're hitting your drives down the middle and you've got really good spin control, especially coming to the greens, you definitely have a good opportunity of shooting a really low one.

Everyone knows that they're going to be bumpy poa annua greens, a lot of footprints and all that stuff, so you're going to need some good breaks, bad breaks. But yeah, I think today was one of those days where you had to be a little bit more aggressive, especially myself, try to get back in the tournament.

#### Q. What did you hit into 11 there?

**JASON DAY:** 9-iron, because I hit a little 3-wood down there. Once again, like it was OK if it missed the fairway. I mean, I want to hit the fairway, but like I'm not too worried. It was kind of one of those days where you're sitting there, if it's in the rough it's fine because I'm like not having to hit an 8-iron from the same distance.

Yeah, it was a nice little 9-iron. To be honest, it's one of those shots you don't expect to go in, you're just trying to get it somewhere around the hole, give yourself an opportunity.

# Q. With the forecast, did you have any sense at all that this might be the final round?

**JASON DAY:** I keep hearing that. Like I'm hoping not. If I was Wyndham, he would be probably most likely hoping yes.

Yeah, I think that's just, you know, part of being at Pebble. I think we've had some 54-hole events, I remember Dustin Johnson winning a 54-hole event here one year. Obviously we have some of that weather. It would be nice to be able to go out there and just try and give myself an opportunity at winning, but with how the weather looks, it looks pretty average tomorrow. Yeah, I mean, we'll see.



# Q. But did it affect your mentality at all today?

**JASON DAY:** I didn't even know. Honestly, I'm hearing it for the first time right now. Like to be honest, I was pretty like angry with myself of how I played yesterday and I was like first, second group off No. 1 today so we were like middle of the pack, I'm just going out there just trying to shoot somewhere in the 60s and I got off to a hot start and things kind of rolled.

In the back of my mind, to be honest, I thought we were still going to play 72 holes. I'm hoping we play 72 holes, that would be nice, especially because it's a Signature event and you want to kind of finish the tournament.

Yeah, it would be disappointing to play 54 holes.

#### Q. Are they not thinking about a Monday finish?

**JASON DAY:** Well, we can, but I don't think you can start -- I don't think you can finish -- the way that Montana explained it to me -- please don't ask me that, I'm going to mess it up. It's something about like not being able to finish on a Monday, they won't do that, but I could be wrong so you have to do your homework.

- Q. So what they're saying is --
- Q. They don't want to start on Monday if we're not going to finish. If it gets past the point of (inaudible) if we have to go into Tuesday, we may not start.
- Q. We've had Tuesday finishes.

**JASON DAY:** Yeah, we have. Thank you for that. Do you want to come up here and say it?

Q. What else did you do well today? It was probably a nice day --

**JASON DAY:** I didn't drive it that dramatically well, it was kind of average off the tee box. Crucial tee shots at times where they needed to hit the fairway. Like 18, you've got driver in your hand, I know that it's a million miles wide, but like there's out-of-bounds right and there's, you know, re-tee if you hit it left.

I hit a lot of good like quality tee shots at the right time, had really good spin control with my irons when I had the opportunities and putted really nice.

Q. Do you ever let yourself think about where you are in your career, that maybe you're closer to the end than the beginning?

**JASON DAY:** Yeah, all the time. That's a really good question. Just because, you know, I still feel like I'm in my 20s but I'm obviously past my mid 30s now. Yeah, like obviously to sit



there -- I remember joke -- not joking. There was a good time there where I was like, you know what, once I get to 40 I'm like thinking about retiring. I think at the time I was like dealing with some injuries and whatnot and I wasn't feeling that great.

To be in like the second half of my career, like it's surprising because this is my 17th season on the Tour and all the guys, it's like I'm getting older and the guys that come out every single year, the new faces are getting younger, you know what I mean?

With that being said, I think watching these young guys play knowing that they're hitting it further and they're full of confidence and they're big and strong, I feel like I've got the experience on my side to be able to handle certain situations, pressure situations. I just have to make sure that I do everything I possibly can to make sure that I'm healthy, I don't lose any speed and I mentally want to. If I can do those few things, I should have a decent second half of my career.

