## ROUND 3 QUICK QUOTES February 24, 2024

#### MARK HENSBY (-7)



### Q. Mark, you finished up at 7 under. Can you just talk us through what today was like and then overall how the week's been?

**MARK HENSBY:** Yeah, played well today. Actually made a couple -- a bad swing on 9, probably cost -- stopped the momentum. I made and eagle on 8. Just kind of in between clubs and just tried to hit something a bit softer and hit it in the water.

The course was a little bit softer today obviously with the rain overnight. Probably knew it was going to be kind of 9 or 10 under to have a chance.

You know, this is a tough golf course. I mean, tee to green it's probably as good as we play all year, but the greens are just insane. You hit it in the wrong spots, it's just hard to make par or birdie. Today I kept hitting it too far away. You need to get it a little closer. And the course, it's just tough, it's really tough.

# Q. And then coming off of a top-5 finish at Chubb, that's back-to-back now, what does that give you going into the future here?

**MARK HENSBY:** Yeah, the more and more you get under pressure and in the mix, it definitely helps you confidence wise, especially if you start to hit some good shots when you need to, which I did down the stretch I felt. It's just a building block, I guess. As I said, I have some good goals that I want to accomplish and these are just kind of jumping points.

I didn't really expect to be playing this well this early. In saying that, I'm not hitting it great, as good as I can, but I'm working my way around a golf course nicely. Putting's improved a lot. Not making everything, but putting better than I did last year, that's for sure.

Looking forward to the rest of the season.

# Q. Do you feel like last year's runner-up finish here helped you kind of propel into what the season was, which saw you win your first time out here?

**MARK HENSBY:** Yeah. Then it was weird because I won -- I finished third in Tucson and won not long after and then I really had a lull. I don't know why, I was working as hard. I didn't feel like I was taking it for granted that I was exempt, but yeah, just nothing ever seemed to get going after that. Hopefully this year it's a little more consistent and, you know, like to get another win eventually.

