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TREY WINSTEAD (-18)



Q. Trey, another really good round today. It's kind of been the story all week? What's just been working well for you this week?

TREY WINSTEAD: Pretty much everything. Off the tee's been -- I mean, you have to drive it pretty good out here just to get in the fairway so you control your approaches into the green. Have been fortunate enough to get some pretty good looks and convert some of them.

Q. Specifically today, two eagles. Just what was that like out there? That's kind of rare.

TREY WINSTEAD: Yeah, I don't know if I've ever had a round like that before. Just hit some great 5-woods onto the green and then made a couple bombs, which was nice.

Q. Throughout the day today did you find yourself just getting yourself close or making a lot of putts? I know you made that one on 18 there to close out strong, but what was going on?

TREY WINSTEAD: Yeah, I guess kind of the combination. I'd say I definitely probably holed a few more putts today. I mean, specifically like the eagle putts on 3 and 14, I think. Definitely made some really good putts today.

Q. What's kind of been the start of this season like for you? Six events in as a member of the Korn Ferry Tour, what's this been like for you?

TREY WINSTEAD: It's been awesome. From last year playing APTs and some Mondays and just to have the opportunity out here has just been -- I'm very fortunate for this opportunity. Just trying to get a little better every day and enjoy each opportunity.

Q. What did finishing tied for fifth down in Panama kind of early in the season, did that do anything for you, for your confidence or anything?

TREY WINSTEAD: Yeah, definitely built up my confidence just to know that like you always aspire to be on the top level and just to kind of see those guys, and I feel like a lot of these guys that I've played with for a long time whether it's junior golf, college golf, amateur golf, and so just I guess to have that confidence that I do belong out here and just focus on



getting better each day.

Q. Are there any guys out here that you kind of turn to for advice or kind of practice with or anything like that to kind of improve your game?

TREY WINSTEAD: Not necessarily yet. In Panama I think on the Tuesday practice round I was fortunate enough to pair up and played with Mark Wilson and Tag Ridings. Just to be able to learn from a couple veterans and stuff has been really, really cool. They've given me some invaluable advice.

Q. Taking the lead into tomorrow, kind of what's the thoughts there?

TREY WINSTEAD: Just would love to say don't make it bigger than it is, but that's not necessarily realistic.

Just to know that, I mean, try and get as focused on my process and just kind of dive in on that and know that God's in control and His will be done.

Q. Getting the guaranteed starts this year, did you have any goals coming into the season? Obviously end of the year PGA TOUR card, but was there anything else, maybe smaller goals you're aiming for coming into this year?

TREY WINSTEAD: Everyone's going to say that they want to be on the PGA TOUR in the next year. I'd say like if I could get myself into contention a few times. I'd say keeping status, keeping status, getting in contention as often as possible however many times that is and just try and get a little bit better every day. Eventually, if you're getting better every day, then the results will come.

Q. Trey, I mean, like you said, you've been playing so well this week. What do you credit it to? Is it something off the golf course? I mean, what's going on?

TREY WINSTEAD: I guess there's probably two people I probably need to say. One, I had a conversation with my girlfriend's dad and he just kind of said like just relax and just know that there's a lot of people that care about me, love me, support me. It's always kind of refreshing to kind of get that, to not be so caught up in the results and just enjoy every day.

And then Mr. David, I know he's going to want a shout-out, my sixth grade Sunday schoolteacher. Got to make sure I get that out there.

And then obviously my girlfriend, parents, brother, family, so supportive of me.

Q. Mr. David, what's he been like in your journey?

TREY WINSTEAD: Mr. David, he's the best putter I know. He's never had a putt that he didn't think he was going to make. Whether or not it happened, that's another story, but he's



very confident in his putting capabilities.

Q. So you're going to step out there with that confidence tomorrow?

TREY WINSTEAD: I'm going to try. Can't do it as good as him, though.

Q. Talk about your caddie a little bit. You guys are having a blast out there, every time I look around, you're fist pumping each other. He's got the biggest smile on him. Is he a local caddie?

TREY WINSTEAD: Yeah, he's a local caddie. We got linked up through the tournament and he's just such a good dude and we've been having a blast together. Looking forward to keeping that up tomorrow.

