

ROUND 3 INTERVIEW
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PAUL CASEY (-5)

Q. So, Paul, when we spoke to you earlier in the week, you were telling us about the science and the tech behind how you work out, how the altitude affects the ball. I was starting to doubt you, I'm a believer again. How was that today?

PAUL CASEY: You have to remember it's not me, I'm just hitting it. It's all up to Johnny. Yeah, we've got a really good handle on it. I was disappointed with the first two days. I'm going to put it down to fatigue after AT&T and then Genesis, the last two weeks have been a lot of early mornings. I love this golf course, and just to not play is well is frustrating. Today you saw we made some birdies, we had a great group with Westwood and Koepka, a lot of action. Yeah, finally moving up that leaderboard.

Q. When you're playing in a group like that, does it add something special to it in terms of bringing out the most in you?

PAUL CASEY: I think so. I mean, I get along great with both those guys and I get something different from every player. Certainly Brooks, he's the carefree attitude. It's just brilliant the way he walks around the golf course and the reactions to no matter what the shot is always the same. He's really easy to play with and you kind of feed off that. Plus, he's hitting it 380, 390, 400 yards around this golf course and it's very impressive to watch. It does help, good pairings help. No question we fed off each other today.

Q. On the golf course as it's moved through the week, it seems to be some greens firming up. How is the course changing as we progress?

PAUL CASEY: It's been a course so far that guys in the afternoon have struggled, or the late groups should we say have struggled just because the way poa greens react to this much traffic. But you're right, it's firming up. I think putts are staying a little truer than they have in the first two rounds. The bounce seems to be a little bit more consistent on the greens, you know, avoiding kind of the soft areas, it's more consistent.

I don't know, I'm too busy trying how to shoot a really low number because right now everybody's gotten away from me, but it's a joy to play. The crowds are amazing. I think everybody can safely say they love this championship down here in Mexico.