

JASON DAY (-1)

Q. Jason, how would you assess your round today, first round here in 10 years?

JASON DAY: It was much better than what was the score was. Obviously I had a couple bad swings on 16 and 17, which ultimately cost me three shots. I actually felt like I played pretty decent the whole day. From tee to green was okay. I need to hit a few more fairways tomorrow, that would be nice, but I think overall it was a pretty good solid start. I was 4 under through 15, kind of cruising. I thought that maybe I could get one or two coming in, get it to five or six. Unfortunately, it went the other way, a double and a bogey. If I can just minimize that over the next three days, that would be nice.

Q. How was it to finally get on the course after yesterday?

JASON DAY: Yeah, it was a long day yesterday. I'm actually quite happy that we got through the day with minimal rain. I don't think the course could have taken any more. Unfortunately, we didn't get out yesterday, but I think if we can -- we've got good weather starting tomorrow, obviously today but starting tomorrow. Should start to firm things out a little bit.

Q. Now with the whole team in place, caddie and everything, as you described in your press conference, how did the back hold up and how would you say everything went?

JASON DAY: It was great. Working on the body takes time. That was the biggest thing for me is I'm trying to focus on my body now. I'm not so young anymore. My main goal is to try and be healthy for next season. If I can be healthy for next season, I'm not giving anyone an advantage. So I'm really working hard to try and stay on top of it and I feel pretty good about it.

Q. Jason, how would you assess your round? You had some trouble at the end of it.

JASON DAY: Yes. Like I said, I had two bad swings unfortunately on 16 and 17, which cost me three shots, but I feel good about how I'm playing. I gave myself a lot of opportunities even though I didn't get on the fairways as much as I'd like to. I feel like the putts just -- they'll end up going in sooner or later, I've just got to be patient.

Q. Ten years apart, difference in the course?

JASON DAY: Ten years apart, difference in the course? It's a lot softer than I remember obviously because of the rain. There's a few changes, but overall the course conditions are great. I think the superintendent and the course staff have done a wonderful job, especially

with how much rain we've had. I got here Sunday and we've pretty much had rain every single day and the course is looking pretty good, so hats off to those guys who have done a tremendous job this week.

I'm looking forward to the next couple days. I think it's going to play a lot firmer, which is kind of nice, and we'll be able to lengthen the golf course out a little bit more. The tees were up a lot today, some were up 50 to 55 yards just due to the fact it was soft conditions and balls were plugging. So hopefully we can lengthen the course out a little bit, make it a little bit tougher.