

TYLER McCUMBER

Q. Pretty good season, you've only missed two cuts. Just some thoughts on the season so far? You're coming off of two pretty good finishes.

TYLER McCUMBER: Yeah, definitely working in the right direction momentum-wise. It was a long year last year with the wraparound, you know, and so just been -- I keep referring to that word "momentum," just trying to get some good momentum going. I feel like I have been doing that the last couple weeks.

So worked with my coach the last three days down in Miami, with Rick Smith, and we real finely tuned and focused on the things we're working on. I feel pretty good about it. So definitely working in the right direction.

Q. What are some of the things you're most happy with and some of the things that you feel like need the most work right now?

TYLER McCUMBER: I'm really happy with sort of being in -- I've been in contention quite a few times out of the handful of tournaments I've played on Tour. Three of them I could have won with a good round on Sunday and I would say five or six were solid rounds for being in the top-10. So I'm right where I want to be on Sunday, and need to be to have good tournaments. So I'm pretty happy with that, obviously making lots of cuts and doing a lot of good things.

Just really the thing I've been working on is trying to get four rounds together in one tournament. I think the stuff I've been working on will allow me to do that.

Q. How fun, nerve wracking, et cetera, was playing with Tiger?

TYLER McCUMBER: It was awesome. It's such a unique experience to play in front of, what was it, some 20,000 people out there watching him that day. Just to see the people, I've never quite experienced that.

Q. Was that Saturday at Farmers?

TYLER McCUMBER: Saturday, yeah. It was a great experience.

Q. And then lastly, just your dad's involvement. I know you've been asked a million times. How much of a big help has he been, an inspiration, that kind of thing?

TYLER McCUMBER: It's been insurmountable. I mean, his intel from a player's

perspective is very helpful. All the little things that you might take years to learn, he can sort of -- you still have to learn them on your own but he can kind of preface it and let you know, hey, you're going to be learning this and this is going to be important, you might not know this. Little things, little tips on where to stay, how to conserve energy, things that when you're finely tuning your professional game that you need to pay attention to.

Q. How much of the course have you seen so far?

TYLER McCUMBER: The back nine.

Q. Thoughts on the course here?

TYLER McCUMBER: It's great. I feel the grass is Paspalum, does that sound right? At least it feels like it, and it's what I grew up on. We actually had a chipping green in our backyard in Ponte Vedre. So in the backyard we built a bunker, we had a little green that we kept and maintained with a greens mower and a riding mower, we had up to like 40 yards of pitching. So I'm really used to this turf and feel comfortable on it, putting, chipping and all. Obviously the wind is the defense here is what it seems like. I feel like that's another one of my strengths, so overall I feel pretty comfortable out there.