

PAUL CASEY (-7)

Q. How would you assess your round today?

PAUL CASEY: I mean, the number's okay. If you stood close, you would have heard me chunking a few out there, the ball-striking was off. Yeah, messed up a few sort of the easier holes, but not unhappy with the number I posted. Just feel like I left a few out there.

Q. Confidence carrying over from last week, you obviously posted a good number for two rounds here. Do you feel good going into the weekend just like last week?

PAUL CASEY: Yeah, I feel like I've got a lot to work on. In fairness, I just said to Doug, in this scenario I'd probably head to the range and go work on some stuff because it wasn't that good, but I'm actually going to skip it just because I'm low on energy. This is my fifth in a row, which I don't think I've ever played five in a row my entire my professional career, and I've got three after this. Hopefully, got another three after this.

I didn't put any expectations on myself this week after a good performance last week and I'm kind of -- I'm pretty fatigued mentally and physically, so I'm just trying to get around this golf course with sort of expelling the least amount of energy possible. You know, which is why days like today when they weren't particularly good, I'm happy because I didn't expel too much energy instead of sort of try to grind it out. I wasn't hard on myself, which is probably the best way of, yeah, not getting too worn out.

Q. When you have low expectations and maybe some low energy, can that sometimes just free you up a little bit?

PAUL CASEY: It can, yeah. Yeah, without question. It would be real easy to stand on the first tee yesterday and expect, you know, brilliant golf like I played on Sunday or all week last week. Then if you don't play it, then you're putting yourself between a rock and a hard place.

Yeah, no question. Just expectations is always the best way to be, but it's hard. I made a really good jump up the FedExCup last week and I want to keep that going. I've been like five years in a row or something to Atlanta, which is a pretty good streak, so I would like to keep that going. Whatever I am right now, 54th in FedExCup, yeah, I want to make it to East Lake because I feel like -- well, if you want to win it, you've got to be there.

Q. I was going to ask that question. Was that a relief last week making that big of a jump from where you are or, as you said, now I'm in, I'm in probably the first two, but I'm putting a little more pressure on yourself to get there?

PAUL CASEY: No, it was relief. Just missing -- it just shows how productive I have usually been in that four-month stretch that we all missed. Springtime and beginning of summer is clearly when I played a lot of good golf looking at my record, so to take that chunk out of there, which was the same for everybody obviously, and then come out of the blocks and not play particularly great golf, yeah, I was on the back foot.

So last week just takes a bunch of pressure off, to be honest. It means this week I can freewheel, and with the multiplier in points starting next week, I know TPC Boston well, it's a good place to kind of capitalize on the momentum. But yeah, I feel zero pressure. I would feel pressure if I was 121st still, but the current position, I feel pretty good.