

**JHONATTAN VEGAS**

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**JHONATTAN VEGAS:** Yeah, obviously a great day of golf. I knew that I had to go out and try to post a really good number. I think the great thing I had is that last year on Sunday I shot 10 under on this course (inaudible).

I had a great start. I shot 5 under on the front nine, which it was exactly what I needed to do. And I birdied 10 and 12, which it was absolutely perfect. To be honest, I wasn't really expecting that, but it was pretty solid. But overall solid day. I really wish I would have played the last four holes a little bit better. I wasn't as disappointed with the bogey on 14 as I was with not birdieing 15, 16, or 17. And that's what it is. But overall, a solid week. Especially coming into a slow year, it's kind of good to get the juices flowing again.

**Q. Showed some emotion on the putt at 12. What was it like to be in the hunt, being in that mix again?**

**JHONATTAN VEGAS:** Well, it was good. It's been a while, to be honest. It's almost been like two years since the '19 Players when I finished third and had a chance to win there. It's been a couple long years for me. So it was good to kind of get back in the hunt and feeling like winning on Tour again. This is a definite experience that you need to kind of keep pushing, keep building confidence. So hopefully another week it will happen soon.

**Q. You birdied the last, but why do you think birdies are hard coming in?**

**JHONATTAN VEGAS:** Well, I mean, it's hard with this wind. I mean, with this wind, obviously sounds easy to judge distance and putt and all of that stuff, but it's not that easy. And obviously at the end of the day, I mean, the last few groups it's always harder to -- the last few holes because of the pressure of winning the golf tournament. So obviously I wasn't able to do it. I had the chances. But it's golf.

**Q. Were you watching Brenden's bunker shot at 17?**

**JHONATTAN VEGAS:** I wasn't, no. I was actually playing 18 when he made it. But I saw the leaderboard on 1 when he went from 16 to 18. And I knew that had a chance having an eagle putt on 18, and but -- hat's off to him. He played a great round of golf, too.

**Q. Were you guys teammates on the Presidents Cup?**

**JHONATTAN VEGAS:** We were, we were, we were. He's a great guy. I mean, I love him to death. We always have a good time together, so I couldn't be happier for him.

**Q. (Inaudible) champion. Give him a great run?**

**JHONATTAN VEGAS:** I did, I did. I mean, obviously, like I said, it's hard to win on Latin soil, right? I felt like I had a great chance today, but you just got to keep playing and hopefully it will happen soon.