

SEAMUS POWER (-6)

Q. Seamus, good playing today. If you could just walk us through some of the highlights of your round.

SEAMUS POWER: Most of the highlights were at the end there. It was a good finish. I made a bit of a mess on No. 4, the par 5, and made a good par putt to save. Then, yeah, I was able to pick ones up there on 7, 8 and 9 to really kind of turn a solid round into a good one. So overall, very pleased.

Q. You played well at this tournament last year through three rounds, probably wasn't the finish you were looking for. Is this a course that fits your eye well?

SEAMUS POWER: It is. I think it's a super layout and it's just I like the look of some of the tee shots. I seem to have a good feel on the greens. It's a good combination. It's playing differently than last year, so hopefully it will dry out a little bit here if we get some of that good weather and get some of that fire that I had last year. But yeah, it's a course I like and hopefully I can keep it up.

Q. Just quickly, do you like shootouts where you're going to shoot, 5, 6, 7 under or have that chance every day, or would you rather it got a little tougher?

SEAMUS POWER: I've played well doing both, but probably -- I probably prefer it to play a little bit tougher. I played well in Dallas earlier this year, it was my best finish of the year. That was kind of a shootout. A bit of both. I feel like I have pretty good course management in general, so hopefully you can manage your way around if it gets harder. If it stays soft and you've got to stay aggressive, hopefully I can keep doing that.

Q. Seamus, what have you found in your game? You're on a heater.

SEAMUS POWER: Yeah, I've been playing better recently. It's been a funny season. I've actually been playing pretty well for a while, but I had to get like surgery at the end of the fall so the fall was really a struggle, I couldn't really practice the way I wanted to, and even early in January, February I couldn't really hit balls. So since then it's been pretty steady and it's been kind of a positive progression. I was able to find some things in the swing. My iron play's been very good, driver's getting there, made a grip change on the putter. It's just kind of coming together. Long ways to go, lot of improvements to make, but it's definitely some moves in the right direction.

Q. What was the surgery?

SEAMUS POWER: Left elbow.

Q. And change with the putter grip?

SEAMUS POWER: Yeah, I went -- first time in my life I went to kind of a claw grip thing there starting after I think February time. Just kind of felt comfortable. Some of it's probably just freshen it up since I wasn't playing great. Yeah, that's been a nice little change of pace, too. Yeah, see if we can keep it up.

Q. I think you mentioned a swing change, too?

SEAMUS POWER: Not much. Just kind of simplifying, figure out what I was doing that was probably the thing I struggled with the last few years. Just kind of knowing a bit about it but not quite knowing what I did well at that point. So I tried to kind of simplify it, work on things that I know I can do and try to keep it nice and simple.

Q. When you say simplify, how do you simplify it? How does that look?

SEAMUS POWER: You know, it's the world -- you have access to so much information now with the technology on the driving ranges and with all the coaches. You just go on and on. You go on any social media and it's some swing, someone's breaking down a swing. It's like everyone swings it differently, so just kind of trying to figure out what you do and what you do well and focus on that instead of kind of what other guys are doing or what other guys have been advised to do. That's what I've tried to do.

Q. What do you feel you do well?

SEAMUS POWER: At the moment I'm hitting my irons really nicely, which is good. I was for a while trying to hit both shapes and do all this stuff, but now I'm just trying to hit my irons pretty straight, just kind of suits my eyes a lot better, I kind of see things in straight lines in terms of golf. So I'm just trying to -- again, even something simple like that, just kind of makes -- what makes sense to other people, I don't know, but in my head it makes a bit more sense just to pick a line and try to hit it straight at that spot.