

ROUND 1 INTERVIEW
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J.T. POSTON (-7)



Q. First round under your belt, 7 under for the clubhouse. Tell me how your day went.

J.T. POSTON: It was good. This golf course, you can make a lot of birdies. Aaron did a good job of sort of telling me to stay patient because I started off with a bunch of pars, not really doing anything. It's easy to kind of try and press a little bit, but he kind of reminded me it's a 72-hole tournament. Started to make a few putts and, yeah, just tried to keep the momentum going.

Q. What will it take going forward for the next three rounds?

J.T. POSTON: Probably a lot of the same. I mean, it's hard to predict what a winning score's going to be, but the greens are soft, it's hot, the ball's going a long ways and you've got four very reachable par 5s for everybody in the field. So I think, you know, just try and keep shooting numbers like I did today and hopefully got a chance with the back nine on Sunday.

Q. How would you describe the golf partnership with Aaron? How do you two work?

J.T. POSTON: Yeah, it's been great. We've been friends for a little while now and it's just nice having a buddy or a friend that you've got a lot in common with on the bag and just keeps it pretty laid back. We have a lot of fun, especially this week. This is like his home event. We'll probably hear a little more Aaron Flener cheers than cheers for me. It's totally fine.

Q. Do you get tired of his U.K. talk?

J.T. POSTON: No, not at all. I'm a Tar Heel fan and when it comes to basketball, we butt heads, but other than that, I'll pull for whoever he's pulling for.

Q. You said you guys have a lot in common. What do you have in common?

J.T. POSTON: Obviously golf, but just a lot of the same interests. We'll hang out off the golf course watching games, football, basketball, baseball, whatever it is. We just get along really well and we would be friends whether we were or were not working together.

Q. How would you get along when Kentucky plays North Carolina?

J.T. POSTON: I'll be pulling for those Tar Heels. We might have some sort of wager. I'll be pulling against him then, but that's about the only time.