## ROUND 3 INTERVIEW July 23, 2022



## **DOUG GHIM ( - 13)**

## Q. Doug, how happy are you to be in after that long day with a 6-under 65?

**DOUG GHIM:** Yeah, had no idea how long of a day it was going to be. Was expecting to play more than 18 tomorrow, so more than anything just pleased to get 18 in today. Obviously to shoot what I did today is just a little bonus.

Q. It must feel good to get in contention and have a chance. Who knows how many you'll be back depending on what Scott does coming in, but at least you're in the mix and maybe in the last group, last couple groups. Looking forward to tomorrow?

**DOUG GHIM:** Yeah. It seems as late I've been in that position a little bit more often. The Scottish Open was a close one as well. It's exciting to be in this position with that amount of frequency and I'm feeling pretty good about my game and just excited for tomorrow.

Q. How would you sort of assess your season? A lot of us saw you at THE PLAYERS contending and being in the mix there. How would you kind of assess your season given that performance there and what you've done since?

**DOUG GHIM:** It's been a frustrating one a lot because I feel like a lot of the improvements I made as a player haven't really been reflected obviously in the FedEx and statistically and whatnot. But yeah, I know where my game is trending and I've been knocking on the door and just maybe one bad round or a couple of bad holes away and just been trying to be really patient. It's a pretty good time of year to start finding the groove and starting to put my name in the hat coming down the stretch. I know that this is what I was capable of all year, but it's fun to finally be in stride at this time of year.

Q. You pretty much said it, this time of the year playing well heading into the playoffs is important. That must give you a lot of confidence?

**DOUG GHIM:** Yeah. Obviously last year I played really well at the beginning of the year and didn't really have to worry about anything coming down the stretch, but if I do really well coming down the stretch this year, I could probably be in a better position than I was going into the playoffs last year. Always knew that that was a possibility. My game is in a better spot at this time of year than it was last year at this tournament as I missed cut. So peeking at the right time and with the big events coming up, I'm excited to be a part of it.

Q. And lastly on today's round, what did you do exceptionally well and was there one particular shot that you kind of remember about this round?

**DOUG GHIM:** Yeah, obviously today everyone is just trying to be patient. There was a second there where it felt like it was going to be just as windy as the first day when we came back out, and in the wind I hit a 9-iron on 10 to tap-in range. And it definitely helps to come out of a rain delay for, we were out for five hours or something like that, it's always nice to birdie your first hole back. That kind of settled some of like, you know, just a little nerves because it's hard to get into a rhythm coming out of a delay like that. Just kind of set the tone for the rest of the evening.