

DAVIS LOVE III (+5)

DAVIS LOVE III: Well, they like to play together and they like to hang out together, so that's -- I told my wife last night, I said it's been a great week this week no matter what. Dinner with Tony Finau and Zach Johnson last night and a couple other guys the night before, playing a practice round with Will and got to play with -- I didn't know Cam at all, so it was a good week.

Q. A potential pairing now?

DAVIS LOVE III: Well, if they made the team, they're a natural. It's like Xander and Patrick, they're like peas in a pod. The only thing I asked them, you know, we've had guys before that hang out together all the time and do everything together but they don't really want to play together. I said, Do you want to play together or -- no, no, no, we do everything together.

Q. So they do want to play together?

DAVIS LOVE III: Yeah, they say they play 75 percent of their practice rounds together. Yeah, that's casual talk out there playing, but they seem to get along great. You can see it when after I hit and they take off running down the fairway, they're chitchatting the whole day, comfortable with each other and giving each other a hard time.

Q. And Cameron was very flustered playing in front of the captain obviously.

DAVIS LOVE III: Yeah.

Q. You could see it in his score.

DAVIS LOVE III: Yeah, it made both of them nervous. It made me more nervous than them, I hope they understood that. I'm trying to play, too, and it's hard when guys you know are going to bomb it and birdie every hole.

Q. With Cam, how much is he on the radar with how he's playing?

DAVIS LOVE III: Well, we have about 25 on the radar because the Playoffs, like the Billy Horschel year when he wasn't really on the radar and Ryan Moore had a good run through the Playoffs. So you never know. You want guys that are hot. All the way back to 2010, like Rickie Fowler had a hot finish and his putter was hot and Corey Pavin picked him. So everybody's kind of still on the radar. It's not like it's narrowed down. We have six picks so it's still kind of wide open.



But yeah, definitely Cameron is trending up. He has been all the way. Obviously got to finish this weekend, but his game just looks so solid right now.

Q. Does his game remind you of anyone?

DAVIS LOVE III: Nobody jumps out at me, no. It's just his swing, it's not the same swing but kind of the same -- maybe the same loading up as Morikawa. Like it's just the ball-striking is just so pure, it's like it just, you can just see it just gathering it up and then you're going to pound it. But they all hit it long and he's just maybe a little bit longer than most of the guys we're watching right now. It's impressive power, too. He only hit, I mean, maybe two or three bad tee shots in two days.

Q. Can you remember having six picks? That seems like a lot.

DAVIS LOVE III: Well, Stricker had six and we only did that because of COVID. Then when we had to make the decision for Presidents Cup, we still had COVID hanging over our heads and uncertainty. Thankfully, now with uncertainty every day and what's going on in golf, it's nice to have six picks again. It worked out well. We debated it and I said, you know what, it worked last year for Steve, it will work this year. And what we can do, obviously the top-10 guys are in, we'll try to pick two, but it's nice to have that flexibility.

Q. What do you make of this current young crop of American golfers? Seems to be definitely on the rise.

DAVIS LOVE III: Yeah, it's on the rise. I've heard so many times from the Europeans, they're coming and the rest of the world's coming and American golf's, we don't have any superstars anymore. And they keep coming, it's unbelievable. Go back to Jordan Spieth, nobody heard of him and next thing you know in one year he's on the Presidents Cup team.

And Cam's headed that way, too. No one ever heard of him on the Korn Ferry and here he is, he almost won a major. It's great it's coming that way. Happy for me and happy for Zach and our teams in the future.

Q. Do you like making the captain's picks?

DAVIS LOVE III: I hate it. I like picking six guys.

Q. But the telling people no?

DAVIS LOVE III: Yeah, there's two or three guys that are going to be -- that could play just as easily. And we've done that a few times just for pairings. We skip a guy that's obvious. Like last year Sam Burns could have just as easily played on the team as anybody else. It's hard to leave that guy off. That's what I keep saying, our first 12 is really good and our second 12 is really good and our third 12 is really good, so it could come from anywhere.



Heck, we picked Mickelson from, I don't know, way in the 20s in points one year just because he was trending up and we needed a veteran.

Q. Have you ever played with Sahith Theegala?

DAVIS LOVE III: No.

Q. He's another young --

DAVIS LOVE III: He reminds me of Cameron, I haven't played with him.

