ROUND 1 INTERVIEW November 3, 2022

HARRIS ENGLISH (-7)



Q. Nice 7 under opening round. I asked you before your round today, I said, how's your swing? You said, it's close. I think it arrived here today. What was working so well for you out there, especially in that run of five straight birdies?

HARRIS ENGLISH: The name of the game out here is getting it in play off the tee. It's not an overly long golf course, but you've got to keep it between the mangroves. I did a good job of that today, just plotted myself around. And once I get on the greens out here, I feel really good with the putter. Made a lot of 10-, 12-footers you've got to make out here. These greens are relatively flat, so you have a lot of inside right edge, left edge putts that you've just got to trust it and knock them in. Kind of had everything going.

Q. We talked about the injury that you've overcome with your hip over the last few months. Where do you feel like your body and your game is right now?

HARRIS ENGLISH: Yeah, it's definitely getting better. Obviously went through a lot of rehab, and your expectations for coming back are so much higher than they probably should be. Coming back at Memorial last year, a really tough golf course and I felt like I'm so competitive and I want to be in the mix so bad, you've got to give yourself time to heal and time to get your game back because losing three, four, five months of competitive golf is a lot and it took me a while to get back. But obviously have some good vibes at this place, won back in 2013, had some really good finishes here and just love it. Love the atmosphere, love the resort here, so I'm excited about the next few days.

Q. Let's talk about another love of yours and that is Georgia football. You're a product of University of Georgia, big game I guess with Tennessee on Saturday. You probably will be on the golf course. Do you want updates? Is it important for you to get the score while you're playing here in competition?

HARRIS ENGLISH: It is, it is, I love to know the score. Teeing off when the game's on like that, I don't like not knowing what the score is, so my caddie always has the score on the ready for me to ask him. We've done a good job of that. Saturdays and Sundays are fun out here knowing some of the scores, Sundays knowing some of the NFL scores. Obviously the Georgia-Tennessee game I'm going to be really in tune to, I wish I could be there and we'll see what happens.

Q. Is it distracting at all?

HARRIS ENGLISH: I actually like it. It gets my mind off of golf. Because we can be so into what we're doing on the course and almost too into it, so I like having the distraction a little



bit. I feel like I play a little better. I've had some really good Saturdays and Sundays this fall and I think it might be partly because some football games are going on.

