## CLUB CAR CHAMPIONSHIP at The Landings Golf & Athletic Club

## ROUND 2 INTERVIEW March 24, 2023

#### **PLAYER**



## Q. Shad, just take us a little bit through the round and then the save there on 9 to finish up.

**SHAD TUTEN:** Yeah, the round was great, I hit the ball way better than I did yesterday. I actually missed a few kind of key putts today like kind of in my first nine holes, but I made a great putt on 18. It was really tough, really quick down the hill. But that kind of got me jump started and it got really tough in the afternoon, it got really gusty, but it was kind of switching like throughout the trees, which is pretty typical for Savannah. It played really tough, so I'm happy to make that putt on 9 and kind of finish off the day.

## Q. What does it mean to be tied for the lead at a place that's so special to you, you have so many great memories in Savannah?

**SHAD TUTEN:** It is, it means the world. Like I said yesterday, this is at the top of my list to just be in contention really. I may not be in the lead after the day, but I'm playing like I want to and playing this golf course like I think it should be played. If I'm right there at the end of the week, then that's what I'm working for.

# Q. What would you say your like favorite part of maybe the course, the city is? Like give us kind of the favorites list.

**SHAD TUTEN:** Oh, gosh, I could write a book. I mean, the course, I've just grown to love it because I've seen it, this is my fourth year playing it and it's just evolved through the years, it's just gotten better and better. Cheyenne does an unbelievable job here and I think that she deserves the praise.

But especially with Savannah, like I said, it's a second home, it's a home away from home. My wife and I always come back and visit whenever we can, of course. It's just I love the marsh, I love the area, I love the sulfuric smells. Like it's just one of those places that I'll just never forget and it's nice to be able to play well here.

### Q. How was it out at the cove today and what do you think it will look like out there tomorrow?

**SHAD TUTEN:** Oh, gosh, it's the best drivable par 4 in the world in my opinion, but it was awesome, it was really fun. Probably going to get more rowdy tomorrow, which I fully expect.



Hopefully I hit a couple good shots there and give them something to cheer for.

### Q. Looks like you picked up some fans here that were kind of following you today.

**SHAD TUTEN:** Yeah. Honestly, it's mostly family, which is -- we don't really get that too often. I'm very fortunate to have a lot of people here supporting me. Even with Savannah, I'll walk in between holes and everybody's like Shad, and I'm like, oh, my gosh, I haven't seen you in 10 years. So it's amazing, I love the support and it's just super fun.

### Q. Shad, what's for dinner after a Friday 67?

**SHAD TUTEN:** Oh, my gosh, so my caddie and I were talking about it. We were originally going to go to one of the clubhouses here, but he was like, what's the best hidden gem around here. I said you've got to go to Seasons of Japan. My good friend Toshi, he owns it and it's just a little hole in the wall like Japanese place, it's like takeout. It's one of my core memories here and that's where I'm going.

### Q. What are you most excited about going into this week?

**SHAD TUTEN:** You know, just really just being where I'm at. Irregardless of where I end up at the end of the day, obviously there's a lot of golfers coming in, but I'm just proud of myself for putting myself in contention again and ready to do my best and excited.

