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PETER KUEST

MARK WILLIAMS: We would like to welcome Peter Kuest to the interview room here at the Barbasol Championship.

Peter, you're making your 12th start on Tour this week coming off a nice little stretch there, obviously T-4 at the Rocket Mortgage and then last week at John Deere securing your special temporary membership, which I understand you've accepted now.

Just talk about that run and how special it is to now be in a position where you can continue to try and secure a PGA TOUR card.

PETER KUEST: Yeah, it's awesome. We get to play multiple weeks in a row and don't really have to do the Monday qualifier grind. So it's always nice getting to come to a course and take Monday off, just kind of rest a little bit. It's just I'm really grateful for the opportunity to play and keep it rolling.

MARK WILLIAMS: You said you took Monday off obviously traveling here. Have you gotten to see the golf course here at the Barbasol Championship this week?

PETER KUEST: Yeah, so we saw nine holes this morning and then we've got another thing to do and we'll go see nine later this evening. Go work on the tan some more.

MARK WILLIAMS: How was the nine that you played? Did it sort of fit your eye? What stood out to you about the golf course?

PETER KUEST: Yeah, it's a good course. The fairways are firm so the ball's gonna be bouncing if we don't get any rain. I think they're calling for rain maybe Thursday, Friday, Saturday. And the greens are soft so you can get after it a little bit. And they're rolling good, so putts are going to be going.

MARK WILLIAMS: Last week you ended the final round I think in the top-5 and played in one of the last few groups. What was that experience like? I know you shot even par on Sunday, but what was that experience like? How different did it feel to you compared to the other events that you've been playing this year?

PETER KUEST: Not a whole lot different. I mean, it kind of felt the same as Rocket Mortgage, we were kind of in a similar position there. We just couldn't really get anything going, got off to a rocky start, but we battled back and managed to shoot even. We had some really good chances on the back nine to get some things going and take a top-10. Some putts didn't go in is what it is.



Q. Peter, just with four or five weeks left in the season, are you reaching out to tournaments or have you heard from any other tournaments in terms of a schedule coming forward?

PETER KUEST: Not really. I think hopefully we'll hear something about next week, Barracuda, and hopefully get in. Hopefully we should go out and top-10 it again and get in that way. I'll just let my game do what it needs to do and take care of itself.

Q. This little run that you're having, how much fun are you having right now?

PETER KUEST: It's a ton of fun. I've gotten so much support even just from Rocket Mortgage to last week, a lot of people calling out my name, rooting for me. It's been really cool to see.

Q. Hearing from a lot of your buddies you grew up with these last few weeks?

PETER KUEST: Yeah, definitely. Yeah, a lot of my friends reached out to me and stuff like that, so it's been really cool. Everyone in Fresno, I don't get to see them a whole lot, but my mom lets me know kind of who she's talking to and stuff like that. A lot of people from Utah and BYU have reached out and it's been really cool.

MARK WILLIAMS: Peter, last week you opened up a little bit in an interview with Doug Milne at the PGA TOUR.com site and I know you did an interview with Amanda Balionis on CBS.

What's that been like, letting people into your world and knowing about your background?

PETER KUEST: Yeah, it's definitely different, but I guess it comes with playing well. Got to get used to it. I guess when you're in front of the camera it means you're playing well, so just got to embrace it and just try to tell my story the best I can.

MARK WILLIAMS: It's a good story. Thinking ahead to this week, do you have any sort of goals set in mind about what you want to achieve here? Obviously you're here to win tournaments, but what do you look forward to the most when you come to this event now that you're a special temporary member?

PETER KUEST: I just always look forward to competing and trying to get out and just do my best and put myself in positions to win. Obviously we came here to win and we want to do that, but we just want to keep playing well and keep it rolling and just see what happens.

MARK WILLIAMS: Appreciate your time.

PETER KUEST: Thank you.

