

Utah Championship
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ROUND 2 QUICK QUOTE
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CHRISTOPHER PETEFISH (-14)

Q. All right, Chris, bogey free through 36 holes, 9 under today, just how's everything feeling?

CHRISTOPHER PETEFISH: It feels good. Like I feel like I've been playing pretty well, I just haven't been scoring. Missed a few cuts coming in. My game didn't feel too far off and, you know, just one of these tournaments it was bound to kind of click. Thankfully, it's clicked the last 36.

Q. When you say it's clicked, just what is it exactly? Is your whole game kind of coming together?

CHRISTOPHER PETEFISH: Mostly the putter, yeah. Had a lot of putts like burn the edge the last few weeks. Seemed to start falling today and yesterday, so that felt pretty good.

Q. Looking at, I mean, your starts this season, I notice that whenever you make the cut, you're in contention, like you're up there, you're in the mix.

CHRISTOPHER PETEFISH: Yeah.

Q. So is it kind of like once you make the cut, like your -- walk me through like how does that line up?

CHRISTOPHER PETEFISH: Honestly, I couldn't tell you, I don't know. I haven't made that many cuts this year, but once I have, like my worst finish was around 35th or so. I just seem to take advantage if I'm playing well or I just miss the cut entirely.

Q. So how is it this week? Now you're putting yourself in good position going into the weekend. How does it feel to get off on this good start?

CHRISTOPHER PETEFISH: It feels good. I haven't been in contention since Panama, which feels like years ago at this point. Yeah, it's going to be fun this weekend to be in the mix and just have a chance. I haven't had that in a while.

Q. How about the course? How's it playing? What do you like about it?

CHRISTOPHER PETEFISH: Yeah, no, it's playing soft right now obviously because of the



rain, but you can really get after it with your wedges. It's more of controlling the spin. Fairways aren't even that important per se, it's like you have to hit it pin high a lot or else you're going to rip it back. Yeah, the course is good. It's only going to get firmer, it's not supposed to rain over the weekend. So figure it's going to play a little tougher, but still going to be kind of a birdie-fest.

Q. Any shot out there today that you were like impressed with that you want to share? Any cool highlights from your round today?

CHRISTOPHER PETEFISH: Yeah, I think I really kind of started to get going on the back nine. Like all you can do is really survive 10, 11 and then you can make some birdies. I made a really good birdie on 4, which then it was like, all right. I wasn't really even paying attention how many under it was, but then I was like, oh, wow, if I birdie in I could do something special here.

Q. Yeah, 9 under, I haven't looked, but when's the last time you shot a 9 under round in Korn Ferry Tour?

CHRISTOPHER PETEFISH: Yeah, nothing, no sanctioned Tour events. This is probably my low round.

Q. Yeah, how's it feel?

CHRISTOPHER PETEFISH: It feels great. You know, only 36 holes in, but no, it feels good.

Q. How long have you been on KFT?

CHRISTOPHER PETEFISH: Two years.

Q. What have you learned about yourself this year?

CHRISTOPHER PETEFISH: You know, I think I've stayed more patient with myself, not let some of the bad golf affect me. I've missed a decent amount of cuts, but they've been really close. I mean, last week I was almost last place and I still thought there's still some good golf in there. Now tied for the lead, that's just how this sport is. Everyone's really good and you're never like that far off.

Q. Have you done anything over the last two seasons, like have you had any mental coaches or anything? Have you done anything different to get you in the positions you're in this year?

CHRISTOPHER PETEFISH: Nothing super different, just kind of giving yourself grace on the golf course and just not putting your identity all into golf, which is hard to do when you're given a score every day. Just being patient with yourself. You don't want to ride the rollercoaster, that's not fun. You can do that out here.

