

Utah Championship
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ROUND 2 QUICK QUOTE
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SHAD TUTEN (-14)

Q. All right, Shad, six pars out there today. Walk us through how your round was.

SHAD TUTEN: I didn't even know that, that's funny. Just kind of got lost in it really, just pedal down, staying aggressive. Made a couple little silly mistakes, but really played really well for the most part. Just playing good.

Q. Is that aggressive because you know that guys are just going to have a birdie-fest out here?

SHAD TUTEN: Yeah.

Q. And you had, what, 8 under here yesterday, bogey free?

SHAD TUTEN: Um-hmm.

Q. So you knew that you had to kind of come out and do it again?

SHAD TUTEN: Yeah. It's one of those weeks where you just have to keep the pedal down and keep grinding. I mean, if you hit a bad shot, you can make more birdies. Just one of those weeks that, you know, 20-plus under's going to win, so just got to go up.

Q. Is there any crazy things that happened on the course today, any good shots?

SHAD TUTEN: Not like yesterday, I had to hit one left-handed yesterday. I did have a really good up-and-down for bogey on 10, which kind of kept the momentum going. Other than that, I'm just playing solid, hitting wedges pretty close and making putts.

Q. What was the up-and-down for bogey on 10?

SHAD TUTEN: Well, I hit a bad shot to get there, but I was standing in the bunker, kind of in between the two bunkers, and it was a terrible lie. Hit it to like a foot. It looked harmless, but it was a lot harder than it was.

Q. Anything about this course you like in particular? Obviously I know it's going low, but --



SHAD TUTEN: The views are pretty cool. No, I enjoy hitting driver a lot and this course allows me to do that. If I hit my driver well, and we've had ball in hand the last two days, you can make a lot of birdies. That's kind of what our game plan was at the beginning of the week and that's kind of what we're going to do.

Q. In your own words, kind of sum up so far this season. As we're winding down to the last couple events, how would you assess your 2023 season?

SHAD TUTEN: Pretty solid. Like a tale of two parts really. Played really good at the beginning of the year and then kind of was planning on the baby kind of in the middle. Now I feel like I have my feet under me again and figured everything out. Took me a couple months, but after Mikey's here, I'm just feeling good, rested and fresh.

Q. How's the family?

SHAD TUTEN: They're great, yeah. He's sleeping more. Beccah's getting to sleep more. She's really happy being at home with him, so it's awesome.

Q. And last question from me, it's a little bit off the wall but it's something we're working on.

SHAD TUTEN: OK.

Q. Walk us like through the broadcast last week from Barstool. Did you enjoy it? Some highlights? What are your thoughts on it?

SHAD TUTEN: Well, I didn't play the weekend so I was able to watch it. I went home and actually watched the coverage. Coverage was fantastic, guys were great.

I was in a featured group so I got to know them pretty well. It was definitely different, but it was fun. It attracted a different audience, I think, which is good for golf and good for the Korn Ferry. Yeah, it's pretty cool.

Q. Having the featured group, did it feel too much -- like how was it with the talent being involved in the holes?

SHAD TUTEN: I was playing OK, so it didn't really bother me. It was -- it's certainly different having to give interviews and stuff on the course, but it didn't affect pace of play, it didn't affect really anything. It was just one of those things where it was just a little different. I think it was good.

Q. As a viewer, would you like watch something like that again?

SHAD TUTEN: Oh, yeah, absolutely. Because, I mean, there's no filter with those guys, so it makes it kind of fun.



Q. Have you been able to do anything fun off the course this week?

SHAD TUTEN: I may go see the observatory up there, that could be pretty fun. I don't know. Go get In-N-Out, maybe sleep for four hours.

Q. Are you a big In-N-Out fan?

SHAD TUTEN: I'm using my caddie's line: About twice a year, that's about it.

Q. And then another kind of off-the-wall thing, you've been wearing the Buggs for TOURCAST coming up soon. How huge will that be to kind of have that rolling out here?

SHAD TUTEN: Yeah, looking forward to it. Been wearing it for a while, so it's -- no, it's going to be great not only for us but for the viewers. I mean, my sponsors ask me every week when's it coming up, so the anticipation is there. We're looking forward to it for sure. Just to be able to have the information is nice.

