

QUICK QUOTES
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LUCAS GLOVER (-20)

JOHN BUSH: It's a pleasure and an honor to welcome Lucas Glover to the interview room here at the Wyndham Championship.

Lucas, you made more starts than anyone at this tournament since 2004. I know it means so much to you. Talk a little bit about what winning this tournament means.

LUCAS GLOVER: Yeah, it's huge obviously. Pretty close to home and had a lot of family here when I was growing up, spent a lot of time here at Sedgefield actually. I had a couple uncles that were members and came up here a good bit. Remember the pool and thought it was the best pool ever because it had a high dive, I remember that.

Yeah, very special. I've known Mark and Bobby on the staff here for 30 years. They run a great event and the Wyndham guys always treat us great. Always had a pretty fond place in my heart for this course and always seem to feel good when I get here, so good to play well.

JOHN BUSH: And talk about the emotion of winning on August the 6th.

LUCAS GLOVER: Yeah, that's huge. It's my grandfather's birthday, he'd would be 97 today. He got me started playing and was my mentor and my hero and all that stuff. Tried not to think about it too much until the end there.

Like to think I had a leg up on everybody today because of that. Still had to do what I had to do.

JOHN BUSH: And last question before we open it up, you move to No. 49 in the FedExCup standings. The total outlook has now changed heading into next week. Talk a little bit about the expectations going into the Playoffs.

LUCAS GLOVER: Yeah, expectations are going to be what they are every week, try to prepare, and if you're coming off a start, try to rest and recover and get back at it.

Last time I played Memphis I played very well, so excited to get back there. I think it's one of the more underrated courses on the Tour, nobody ever talks about TPC Southwind. It's really good, good test. Changed a lot when they went to bermuda greens, but excited to get there whenever that is.

I don't know, don't have any plans yet, but we'll figure it out sometime. Yeah, it's just let this soak in and get my body and my mind right and get back to work Tuesday or Wednesday.



Q. Lucas, I talked to Jay Haas earlier. He said back in the day your grandfather and you showed up at his house kind of asking for advice. You were about 10, 11 years old. Jay just kind of said just let him play golf. You mentioned a little bit about Jay Haas and your relationship with him.

LUCAS GLOVER: Yeah, it was more of my grandfather went to Jay and said I don't know what else to teach him and where do I go. Jay's advice was, you know, you've got two options and the first one was Dick Harmon, second one, David Leadbetter. Jay's advice was go see them both.

We went to see Dick and never made it to David. Nothing against David, just fell in love with Dick and that was most of that conversation.

Q. I probably know half the answer, but what led to you make that putter change in particular and how different do you feel now than you did three months ago?

LUCAS GLOVER: Honestly, I was down to I knew I had the two weeks off before Memorial. I had some family stuff during Colonial and then I was off PGA because I wasn't in. I made up my mind something was going to change then. I was going to try the long one and if that didn't feel good, I was going to try left-handed. That's how far down the road I was.

Nothing I did worked, nothing I practiced worked. Brain was just fried. Ten years of dealing with it and not understanding it and not realizing or not comprehending how it could happen that I could just lose all feelings over a 10-inch putt. It was frustrating. I fought it for a long time.

I had been kicking it around with Fax. Fax and I have been working together a little bit and it just wasn't translating onto the course. He finally said I think you need to try this. So I did, I just ordered one and asked for Adam Scott specs from the putter rep. I said we're about the same height, I don't want to know anything else and I'll teach myself how to do this.

Spent a couple days in the garage, figured out how to stand. Took it to the practice green and spent about 10 days working on it. Took it to Memorial and putted nice. My misses weren't that crazy, awful, yippy stroke, they were just misses. And that's OK.

So then once I figured out my tendencies with it, it became fun to kind of teach myself. I think I said it last night or yesterday was kind of that thing if you ever want a Tour player to practice more, you give them a new club because they've got to get used to it, figure it out. That's kind of how it's been.

It's been, it's just basically a whole new motor skill, a whole new brain function because it's so different, so out there from what I was doing. That's what was going to happen left-handed as well, just something completely new that I never had been taught, never been over-taught.



It just clicked, it worked. It was one of those -- Tommy Lamb, my caddie, just said it's going to be a process, we're going to have to work with it. I missed some short ones in Detroit, but again, they were just misses, misread or bad speed or a lip-out or whatever, walk off the green like whatever.

But the other way it was debilitating almost because I had no control. Not that we have control over anything, but I had no control over my faculties sometimes and that was difficult to understand and difficult to deal with.

Q. Was that the yips?

LUCAS GLOVER: Yeah, 100 percent, 100 percent. You know, talking about it and being up front about it's been as much freeing as anything. It's just what it is. It forced this change and, you know, four top-6s later, here I am. So must have been the right thing.

Tommy said, I don't think you need to think too much about this other than this thing's resurrected a lot of people's careers. He said it may work, it may not, but from what I've seen, it looks good.

He and I are really the only ones that have worked on it. I told him what I feel and he tells me what he sees. I didn't want any outside input on it, I don't want to know the loft and the lie and the facing, I don't want to know that. I just want to know what it feels like and what it looks like to him. That's kind of what we've been doing.

Q. You touched on it briefly, but as you walked off the 18th green, walked down the stairs, you went straight to a large group of folks and celebrated and pointed up to the sky. Who were those people and what were you pointing at?

LUCAS GLOVER: Those were three of my four living uncles on -- my mom's in the front row, she has five brothers. Some of their kids and their kids, uncles, aunts, cousins, second cousins, friends, just a big support group here. Two and a half, three hours from my hometown. I had a friend drive up from Charleston, immediate family's here minus my wife.

They all knew my grandfather in some way, family or not. And, you know, I had one uncle drive, or two uncles drive from Greenville this morning to come and that was very cool. I knew I wouldn't see them after because of the situation here with the weather and the darkness, so I just wanted to say my thank-you that way for coming and supporting me.

Q. I noticed your kids are here. Can you talk about winning in front of them? Have they ever seen you win and what was that like?

LUCAS GLOVER: It was great, that was the first time in person. They came to the Deere the year I won, but had to leave that Sunday morning for some, just some things that were scheduled. Seen it on TV.



It's only my second win since I've had children, so obviously my first time in person. And that was pretty cool they got to run out and do that. My wife wasn't here, but this is always a tradition. It's her week off to get ready for back to school and all that stuff. So my parents and the kids and I come, and my father-in-law came this year. Yeah, it's pretty awesome. We've had a fun week and they've had fun. Very satisfying for them to get to experience it with me.

Q. (No microphone.)

LUCAS GLOVER: We never made it to a movie. They like their shows. I thought we could get a movie, but they don't want anything to do with me after that.

Q. You've been dealing with this for I believe you said 10 years?

LUCAS GLOVER: Um-hmm.

Q. Do you remember how or when it started?

LUCAS GLOVER: Fifth green at Colonial.

Q. (Inaudible) round?

LUCAS GLOVER: First. Four-putt. Yeah, 2013, maybe '14, but yeah. Just a four-putt like random out of nowhere.

It's been bad ever since, some worse than others. I've played nice, I've had -- I made TOUR Championship a few years back and I've dealt with it, but now I can say, man, what would have happened if I would have done this a long time ago? But that will be a painful thought, so I'm not even going to go there because if it hadn't happened, I might not have gotten to it at this point.

I don't know what caused it, I don't know what started it, but that's exactly the first time I felt it and it was somewhat out of nowhere.

Q. And what's the craziest thing you tried?

LUCAS GLOVER: This. I mean, I played -- I made TOUR Championship, whatever, that was '19 maybe with arm lock and I went away from it. And the year I won the Deere, it was arm lock. But I had never gone this drastic like something completely different. Even the arm lock is the same stroke basically. This is a completely different motor skill and just a way to rewire my brain.

It obviously, it's what I needed because like I said, now if it's a miss, it's because the speed or read, it's not -- or bad stroke, those happen. It's not the nervy, hand-shaking, just completely loss of all never-played-this-game-before-type hook, which I did here. I had a putt



for 59 here a few years ago and left it short and yipped the next one, shot 61.

Yeah, it's just, it's been a revelation for me. Honestly, my brain, my head. It's fun and it's been a huge positive obviously.

Q. Given how many things you tried, was it startling or surprising to see this worked so well and so quickly?

LUCAS GLOVER: Not really. Because of people I had seen that went from struggling with whatever they were struggling with to that and the success they had, I knew it was possible.

To see immediate results was a bit of a surprise. I missed the cut at Memorial, but it wasn't because of my putting. I didn't hit it very good and made a 7 or 8 on the last hole, I don't remember.

But biggest shock to me was how consistent my speed was. And I kind of wanted Memorial to be my first one with it with those greens fast and undulating and got to have nice touch, and speed was impeccable that week and that was a huge positive coming out of this.

Then I played -- lost in a playoff at the qualifier, but I shot a 63 the first round with it. It was just, it's been building from there, the confidence.

Surprised, no. The pace at which it came, yes.

Q. Just wondering on 18 there what you kind of felt with that drive. I don't know if you saw, it got a fortuitous bounce kind of off a cart to get you back.

LUCAS GLOVER: I did not know that. I thought somebody was joking, I heard them say that.

Well, to be honest, I would have probably laid it up anyway. Just might have been a harder layup, but I didn't know that officially. I thought somebody was joking when they said that.

JOHN BUSH: Speaking of that, talk a little bit about coming down the stretch, also the weather delay the last few hours and if you knew what Russell was doing ahead of you.

LUCAS GLOVER: Sure. I feel like if you get through 11 and 12 here even, you're doing good. Then playing 1 under, you're doing really well, then you can attack.

Birdied 11, made a good par on 12 and pretty average wedge shot on 13. Good par on 14, hard hole, long, new back tee and all that. It was kind of a bummer on 15 because it was downwind pretty good before the storm and kind of wanted to hit that tee shot.

Just can't do anything about the weather, just one of those things. Summer in the south, anything can happen, especially when it's in warm and humid.



It wasn't expected, but it wasn't a surprise either. So just come in and refuel, try to get some energy and stay loose and get back out there.

There wasn't much wind and what was there was the same direction, so there wasn't any surprises or anything. Nice tee shot on 15 and just a bad 4-iron.

And yes, to the back end of your question, because I was so far right on 15 I could see exactly what Russ was doing. And then I didn't know about 17, got to see 18, and then Tommy informed me as we were discussing our second shot on 18 that we were up two after he missed the putt, so that forced the layup there.

It was 50/50 anyway, but when I knew I was up two, it was an automatic layup.

Q. You seem to be -- of the contenders, you seemed to be the most comfortable out there and the result might bear that out. How much does your experience out here and overall affect that?

LUCAS GLOVER: A lot, a lot. I think it just comes down to execution even if you're uncomfortable. I don't know how Russ's ball got there on 16. I've got a pretty good idea, so he probably hit a pretty good shot. It just came down the hill and then he got unlucky.

I did the same thing and I got a good break, so we probably both executed what we were looking to do. Execution and a bit of luck to win out here is what it comes down here. Experience is knowing that. All you can do is execute the shot you see and feel, and if you do, you do, if you don't, you've got to go figure it out.

And you also understand that 18 under pressure is a hard 4. So kind of knew that going in. When I saw his troubles on 16 and then knew it was at least one going into 18, experience said hit a good tee shot. And of course you don't, didn't execute. Didn't have anything to do with feeling good or bad or nervous or not, it was just execution at that point. The experience was just knowing that, not getting too up or too down if you don't execute.

JOHN BUSH: All right, Lucas, congratulations once again.

LUCAS GLOVER: Thanks, John.

