ROUND 1 QUICK QUOTE November 2, 2023

CHESSON HADLEY (-6)



Q. Good round today, 6 under. Just a few comments. New course, new so forth. Just a few thoughts on the 6 under.

CHESSON HADLEY: Yeah, it was a good day today. Got off to a nice start birdieing the first couple, good rhythm early hitting some nice iron shots and some putts.

Got a little bit, got a little sideways during the middle of the round, but made a nice birdie on 7 to finish at 6 under, so it was a great start.

New course, as you said. It's in great shape. It's a big course, there's a lot of grass, a lot of land out here to walk on. The greens are set up in a way that if you're on with your irons, everything funnels to the hole, so I was able to hit some really good iron shots today and make a few putts.

Q. How have you been feeling coming into the week? Have you felt a round like this coming on?

CHESSON HADLEY: Yeah, I've been playing good. If you look at -- playing well. If you look at my last three or four tournaments, I had some nice rounds and it's just been in there. I just need some tournaments to play in. Obviously I had a couple weeks off, I didn't get in Japan. Nice to get down here and start like this. There's some low scores out there today and will continue to be throughout the week. Going to need to keep it up.

Q. What was the best shot you hit today, or best birdie?

CHESSON HADLEY: I like these questions. Best? My putt on No. 11, I mean, just absolutely gutted it. It felt really good. Hit a good shot there to maybe 10 feet and made that. To see one go in exactly the way you want it to with like just perfect speed kind of beginning the round just kind of makes you feel good about things and kind of feels like you've got a lot of momentum.

Q. How long was it?

CHESSON HADLEY: 10 feet. I hit a good shot. It was a right-center putt. It was not a hard putt, but I hit it exactly how I wanted to and I feel like I put myself in a really good -- calmed me down and just hit some really nice shots after that.