ROUND 1 QUOTES February 1, 2024

LUDVIG ÅBERG (-4)



Q. How would you assess the round today?

LUDVIG ÅBERG: It was good. It was a lot more enjoyable than I thought it would be looking at the forecast with the weather. I think we dodged one there, but obviously playing with Rory is a pleasure and it was fun.

Q. How were the conditions out there, like how wet was the golf course?

LUDVIG ÅBERG: It was quite wet, but to be fair in terms of how much rain we got yesterday, I thought it held up pretty nicely. We expected it to be wet. Greens were nice even though we had the amount of rain that we got. Hopefully it will dry up a little bit overnight as well and be ready to go for the guys tomorrow.

Q. What was the best part of your game today?

LUDVIG ÅBERG: I was driving it nicely today I felt like. I've been kind of last couple of weeks had a few misses here and there that I don't really like, so it was nice to see that it kind of came back a little bit with the driver. Hopefully we'll be able to keep up on that and keep playing good.

Q. I think because you won now on PGA TOUR, on the DP World Tour, do you feel like you've been around for a while, when you come to a tournament like this that you haven't been to before, do you feel like you're still a new guy, a rookie kind of feeling your way around, or do you feel like you're kind of a veteran now, you kind of know what you're doing?

LUDVIG ÅBERG: Veteran isn't the right word I would say. I still feel new. Obviously a lot of these tournaments that I'm playing it's the first time I'm playing them, so naturally I'm going to feel like a rookie. I do think these last couple of months that I've had obviously being around these great players makes you a little bit more comfortable and obviously being close up to them and see how their games are, and I like my game as well. I like to keep it that way, but I wouldn't call myself a veteran yet.

Q. Can you walk us through the eagle?

LUDVIG ÅBERG: Yeah. No. 7 is a tight tee ball but managed to hit the fairway with a good drive. I think I had 200, 198 pin meters, so I hit a good 5-iron to the right side of the green where everything kind of funnels down there. So it was a good shot. Then, you know, every time you make a, I don't know, 25-, 30-footer it's just a little bit of a bonus. It was a good putt.



It was a little bit firm, but it hit the back of the cup.

Q. Do you still work in meters?

LUDVIG ÅBERG: Yes.

Q. Does Joe do that math for you?

LUDVIG ÅBERG: Yeah, I've been working on him to do the conversion. I'm trying to teach him Swedish, trying to teach him in meters, but yes, we do meters.

