

ASTARA GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

ROUND 3 QUOTES

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THOMAS WALSH (-20)

Q. Thomas, great round today, 8-under 63. You matched the low for this week on the Lagos course. What was working for you out there today?

THOMAS WALSH: Yeah, I've been playing well for a while now. I'm just hitting it well. Kind of got something going with my putting three weeks ago and just been rolling, keeping it really simple. Got a new ball in play this week that's a little spinier from Titleist, it's quite a bit better. Everything's kind of firing on all cylinders.

Q. You were bogey free today and you only had one bogey this whole week. How have you been able to keep the scorecard so clean?

THOMAS WALSH: Yeah, I've driven it phenomenally. I think I've really been in position every single hole. I've made a lot of putts. I haven't made them all, but I've really been pretty stress free for the most part for the last 54 holes.

Q. So what was the ball change? What did you switch to?

THOMAS WALSH: It's called a Pro Vx+, super spinny ball. I'm a real low spin, low launch player. I've always struggled at altitude and I just said screw it, I've had enough of playing bad at altitude, I'm just going to try something completely different and yeah, it's worked out really well.

Q. Can you tell us how your round went in Spanish?

THOMAS WALSH: No, absolutely not.

Q. C'mon, I thought you --

THOMAS WALSH: I could do it, but I'm not doing it.

Q. Did you have any goals coming into this season?

THOMAS WALSH: Yeah. I mean, I want to get to the Tour as fast as possible. I think last year I had a pretty good shot coming down the stretch, I just didn't quite finish it off for the last six holes at Victoria. And I know I can do it, so I'm just trying to keep it simple this year. I got kind of sideways last year for eight weeks and I think I've done a good job with my team to try and figure out what happened and try to prevent it. We just do the same drills every



day and I've been playing well for quite a while now.

Q. Have you changed anything coming into this season?

THOMAS WALSH: No, it's just been same old everything. I keep it simple, I try not to make it too complicated. I feel like I've been out here for too long now that what I've got's what I've got.

Q. You said try to figure out like what happened. What do you think happened at the end of last season and what do you think you changed going into this season?

THOMAS WALSH: Yeah, I had a wrist injury in Santiago that kind of sidelined me for a while. I played through it, it didn't work well. I got off of my swing with the wrist injury and I feel like I've kind of got it back to where it was at the beginning of last year. Barring another wrist injury, I feel like I'm going to be able to keep it where it is hopefully.

Q. And then what would a win tomorrow mean?

THOMAS WALSH: Yeah, it would be everything. It's cool, I did a year on the Latin tour, so I think it's always fun coming here. And Bogota is my favorite Latin American place I've been. I think it would be cool. You know, I've got a lot bigger goals than just winning out here, so I think it's a good step in the right direction.

Q. What's kind of the plan tonight or as you prepare for tomorrow?

THOMAS WALSH: Just go hang with my caddie, Nate, and a couple buddies over here who forecaddied for me. Go hang out and chill and get ready for tomorrow.

