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KYLE WESTMORELAND (-12)

Q. Tale of two nines, I guess, but what would you say were some of the highlights of the round today?

KYLE WESTMORELAND: Yeah, made a few putts today. Birdieing No. 1 helps, that hole's a beast. To be able to play that hole 1 under was awesome. But really, I mean, putted it pretty well today. Left a couple short coming in. They were long putts, I guess. Other than that, kind of sticking to our game plan, trying to execute and moving forward.

Q. Front nine, back nine, like some of the guys have said it's very different, some have said it's similar. Like what would you say is the difference?

KYLE WESTMORELAND: Yeah, I think the back nine is much tougher than the front nine. The front nine gives you some opportunities if you drive it well off the tee. The back nine does the same, but the par 3s are big so you need to put your ball in some pretty good places on the back nine.

Q. How many drivers do you get to hit this week?

KYLE WESTMORELAND: I hit a lot of drivers, I hit it everywhere. But it's awesome, this course, you truly have -- my caddie and I were talking about it, you truly have to like work it both ways. That's what we like to do and that's how we like to play golf. If you can shape your ball out here, it's a big advantage.

Q. Has driver like always been like a key like weapon for you or did you have to develop that over time?

KYLE WESTMORELAND: It's definitely been my biggest advantage, but like everything else, you do have to develop it. Hitting it far is one thing, but we're trying to hit it in the fairway and we're trying to do well in that strokes gained category. So has definitely been -- yes, it's been my biggest advantage and it's also been a work in progress, so I think we're driving it better than we ever have this year.

Q. Was there like ever a point where you struggled so bad that you had to like go away from driver or have you always been like pretty accurate?

KYLE WESTMORELAND: No, I mean, I'm never going to lead fairways hit, fairway hit



percentage, but that's not how we play the game. There's some courses that lend themselves to being able to hit driver and move it up and kind of pick your spots and there's others where you've just got to play in front of you and everyone's hitting it to the same spot.

I tend to like courses that give me the opportunity to hit driver, and if it is tight or even if we have to shape it, a course like this where it's beneficial to length is good. But you do have to hit it straight, that's best case scenario.

Q. Were there any like a-ha moments that you remember where I've just heard you can flight -- like you have a lot of different flights with the driver. Was there ever like a moment you remember in particular where you had the low one or you always had the high one?

KYLE WESTMORELAND: Yeah, you know, playing in Colorado is really windy in the springtime, so you can get the ball rolling. And it's frozen, so you learn how to hit it a long way like that, so kind of developed a low shot.

Then kind of like a mid trajectory shot, a little cut has been kind of a go-to, especially in a lot of situations. And then full speed is going to be like a high draw.

But it's something we've developed. We continue to get better and keep trying to see what shots, you know, treat us the best in certain situations. It's been an awesome journey for us.

Q. And I know that you're back down from PGA TOUR, but the first two months out here you've played better golf like on this tour than you had in the years previous. What do you attribute that significant difference to?

KYLE WESTMORELAND: Yeah, we made some changes at the end of the season last year and we started trending in the right direction ball-striking-wise. Really, it's kind of just a confidence thing. You earn your confidence in the game of golf and it's just been awesome to come back down here, compete. I'll say it anywhere, like I love competing, I don't care if it's the PGA TOUR or the Korn Ferry Tour. Obviously want to be on the PGA TOUR, but if we need to go through here first, what we've got to do and no tournament's too big or too small.

Q. What do you think your biggest takeaway from this season on Tour was?

KYLE WESTMORELAND: You just had to figure out your game and play your game well. Everyone does it differently. I knew kind of what my blueprint would be, but sometimes last year kind of got away from it. By the end of the season, we're confident in what we do, how we do it and just go on about it.

