

## CLUB CAR CHAMPIONSHIP

### ROUND 4 QUOTES

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### STEVEN FISK ( -14, won playoff)

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**Q. All right, Steven, win No. 1 Korn Ferry Tour, how are you feel right now?**

**STEVEN FISK:** Unbelievable. Such a long day that somehow went by really fast at the same time to get my first win right here in Savannah, so close to where I went to school is kind of crazy. I haven't had much success here in the past, but to get it done today is extra special to be this close to what's kind of my adopted home.

**Q. Obviously went to a playoff hole. Can you kind of talk us through how you were feeling once you finished up, had to wait a little bit and then go back and play another hole?**

**STEVEN FISK:** Yeah, thankfully I was only one group in front of the final group so the wait wasn't too bad. By the time I greeted a few people and signed my card, it wasn't too bad of a wait, so I was ready to go.

**Q. So much support for you throughout the week. How special is it for you to cap it with the win?**

**STEVEN FISK:** I feel like I gave the people what they wanted. Definitely could feel the crowd on my side. I had a great group of people following me all week, and for them to come out and continue to support me is so special.

**Q. You hit a lot of greens today and there were a lot of putts within that 15-foot range where you were just a couple inches off the cup. How did you stay locked in to the point where in those last five holes you really came in clutch?**

**STEVEN FISK:** Yeah, you know, the last year or so I've really dedicated myself to my mental game. Honestly, here last year when I missed the cut by one was kind of a lower point mentally. It was kind of the straw that broke the camel's back and I decided to do something about it.

**All week I was as patient as I've ever been and as nice to myself as I've ever been. To see that patience pay off there in the end is really cool to see because it takes a lot in this game to stay in it mentally, because it's a tough ride.**

**Q. What was your thought coming out of the bunker the first time you played 18 today and you put it to a foot?**



**STEVEN FISK:** Yeah, it was a pretty simple bunker shot, honestly the type of thing that you practice at home all the time. I had plenty of green to work with there, so really just kind of chunk it out and let it roll out a bit and try to get it as close I can to not having to read one for birdie.

**Q. How special was it to have your former head coach from Georgia Southern here along with a couple other Georgia Southern Eagles that are playing golf as well?**

**STEVEN FISK:** Yeah, they've supported me for over a decade now, which is kind of weird to say. To have all the Georgia Southern people, special shout out to Carter, come out and support me is something I'll never forget and something I'll always be appreciative of. And if I can real quick, great playing by Ben and Mason this week. It's great to see both of them come on to the Korn Ferry Tour and play some great golf and show others and themselves that this is the type of place that they belong to.

**Q. Also, we have your wife that was just right over your shoulder here, you guys get married just a month ago in the state of Georgia. To get your first professional win here in this state, how extra special is that for you?**

**STEVEN FISK:** It's crazy. I joked with her the other day that we should have got married a lot sooner, yeah, this being my first start since the wedding. Her support's been unwavering for six years now. I couldn't ask for anybody better to be by my side through all of this and put up with the life of a pro golfer.

**Q. And who was your caddie today?**

**STEVEN FISK:** Yeah, my caddie's name is Nico Torres. We linked up back in Chicago last summer and have been working together since then. He does an unbelievable job. He's the same guy every single day, super calm. Muy tranquilo, as he likes to say. He's great. He deserves this just as much as anybody.

**Q. What was the biggest change that you had to make to your mental game, working through that issue?**

**STEVEN FISK:** I've always struggled with getting upset on the golf course. Sometimes you want something so bad that you kind of get in your own way. I feel like at one point I had a bit of a reputation of kind of being a hot head and nobody wants to be that guy and I certainly don't want to be that guy anymore. I may have a bad day here and there, but overall I think I've made so much progress and none of this would happen without all the work that I've done.

**Q. Can you go back to earliest memories of the par-3 course, driving range that your dad built when you were a kid?**



**STEVEN FISK:** Yeah. (indiscernible) Creek Golf, special shout out, it's in Stockbridge, Georgia. They opened that place when I was 4 or 5 years old and I pretty much grew up down there. It's a nine-hole par-3 course that I could play four, five, six times a day. It was a special place to grow up. I feel like it led to me having a really solid iron game because I didn't hit a lot of drivers there obviously unless I was a certain age. It was a great place to grow up. I'm so appreciative of everything that my parents did to put me in a position like this.

**Q. How would you describe your swing and your grip? Your dad said it's a little unorthodox, but how do you look at it?**

**STEVEN FISK:** Yeah, if you ask anybody else my grip probably sucks, but I've always done it this way. I've tried to tinker with it over the years with my coach. It's just not something that I've ever been able to get comfortable with. I figured if I'm going to have success in this game, I'm going to do it my way and be sub born and do everything I can to make myself the best player I can be and rely on some of my natural instincts.

**Q. What was it about Georgia Southern as you went through that process that led you to believe that that was the best place for you to be?**

**STEVEN FISK:** Coming out of high school, I was a good junior but I wasn't one of the top-ranked kids in the country or anything like that. From the moment I stepped on campus at Georgia Southern and got to meet Coach Carter, it felt like home. It's been a special place for me that I still to this day enjoy going back to. There are so many people in that athletic department that did so many things for me over the years. None of this would happen without all the help that Georgia Southern gave me for the four years I was there and then all the support I've gotten after.

**Q. I know obviously the wedding, huge thing. Did you follow the international events going on or did you just sort of completely check out, leave that aside and not really worry about what was happening?**

**STEVEN FISK:** I would check in a little bit, but it's so early in the year. Obviously I was kind of way down the points list before this and it's not really something worth looking at this early because the points are, they're so easily manipulated now. Will with one good finish you can fly up. It wasn't something that I was super concerned about. I was honestly excited to not have to go all the way down there and I had a great excuse not to.

**Q. Did you already take a little honeymoon after the wedding or were you right back to practice?**

**STEVEN FISK:** We went to Florida for a few days. My wife's been saying she wants to go to Cabo, I told her we would see how the year went. I think she's looking pretty good right now. Probably do something in December in the offseason, something special.



**Q. Did you work with anybody on the mental side of the game or did you do that yourself?**

**STEVEN FISK:** I work with Dr. Bob Jones. He's in Atlanta. We talk pretty much every other week, mostly just over Zoom because it's hard for me to get back. He's been helping me for a few years and I kind of went through cycles a little bit to dedicate myself to it and then think I'm OK, and then kind of go back through the same cycle. Like I said, a year ago here I kind of hit a bit of a breaking point mentally and a few weeks later I reached out to him and got back with him and have been doing every two or three weeks. It's more of a check in at this point than anything else. A lot of the work that he and I have done has been kind of set in, but if I stop going, you never know when that cycle might try and come back around.

