

COMPLIANCE SOLUTIONS CHAMPIONSHIP

ROUND 3 QUOTES

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JOHN PAK (-21)



Q. John, 7-under 65, great round. What's been working well for you?

JOHN PAK: Just kind of the same thing. I'm actually, I'm hitting it a lot better today than I was the last two days, kind of just keeping the ball in play. It was a little windier, greens were a little firmer. So staying with the same strategy, just managing my game well, trying to hit fairways and greens, give myself looks and hopefully a couple drop and that's kind of what happened today, which is nice.

Q. You went into today with the lead and you birdied four of your first five holes. What did that do for momentum, just like your mindset for the rest of the day?

JOHN PAK: I think -- I don't know if it really did anything. I kind of tried to keep the same mindset, just stick with the process. I started working with a sports psychologist and that's all they talk about is process, game management and just, you know, letting things go if things don't go my way. That's kind of what I'm working on, not focusing too much on what scores I'm making.

Q. Is there anything specific from a mindset that you do while you're out on the course to kind of keep you focused like that?

JOHN PAK: I think one thing I've realized is just know that I get to play golf, pretty fortunate to be out here. Looking back a year and a half ago, I didn't have any status anywhere, so I like to think some of the worst parts of my career are behind me. Just looking forward to what's in the future of my career.

Q. You did a lot of work of your scoring on the front nine today and a lot of guys have said this week how in the afternoon the greens have gotten a lot firmer. Did you notice that on the back nine?

JOHN PAK: Oh, yeah.

Q. A little tougher to score?

JOHN PAK: It's definitely tougher. I also think that the back nine's just more difficult, too. Yeah, I think it's just tougher on that side.

Q. Last year you won up in Canada. Having known you've done that at this level, what



does that do for you heading into tomorrow?

JOHN PAK: Yeah, I think there's some psychology to it where that if you've been in that position, your body kind of naturally knows what to do, so I think that's a big positive. Like I said, I'm not thinking about that too much, just really focusing on my process.

Q. Not trying to stay in the big picture, but when you're looking in terms of end of the season, what would a win mean to you if you're able to finish it out tomorrow?

JOHN PAK: It would mean everything. I've set a lot of goals; ever since I was a kid to make it to the PGA TOUR. I know it would help a lot, but it's still a long season and just trying to focus on the shot in front of me.

Q. And coming into this season, what were your goals? Obviously at the end you want to be on the PGA TOUR --

JOHN PAK: Yeah.

Q. -- but is there anything in particular you're looking to accomplish?

JOHN PAK: I think to become, you know, just a better mentally -- just become more better mentally. It's kind of hard for me to explain, but that's something I've worked on the last three months is really just work on my mindset on the course and just kind of that. I think in the short run if I do that really well it will help in the long run.

Q. And keeping that mindset knowing you have a cushion going in tomorrow, does that change anything for you or does it affect you in any way?

JOHN PAK: I would hope not, but it probably will. I think that's something I need to work on and that's just going to, you know, like I said, just really focus on my process and that's it.

Q. I've got specific hole questions.

JOHN PAK: OK.

Q. So, yeah, we were talking about that run of four on the first --

JOHN PAK: Yeah.

Q. At what point in that run did you start to -- what was coming together, putter, driver, wedges? What was the strongest club in your bag today?

JOHN PAK: I think it was my driver. I'm not sure if I missed any fairways. I didn't do that very well the first two days, but kind of managed my game well and got myself back in position to make par or maybe even birdie. I think that's something that was a little different



today. The putter's been hot all week and just trying to ride that momentum with the putter. That's kind of what's been working right now.

Q. I think you had one bogey on the day. Tell me about that shot at 14.

JOHN PAK: Yeah, I hit a really good shot. It doesn't happen very often, but I hit it too good and it went over the green and kind of -- kind of funny how golf is, I think I hit three really good shots and I walked out with a bogey. Sometimes you've just got to laugh at it.

Q. You made a big par save on, I'm trying to think of what hole it was.

JOHN PAK: No. 16.

Q. No. 16?

JOHN PAK: Yeah.

Q. I could see it in your face, that was like one of the moments of the day. Tell me about that.

JOHN PAK: I thought I missed it, that's why. I kind of just laughed at it because I didn't think it was going in. Yeah, I hit the first putt too hard and I thought I hit the second putt too hard. I think that green is kind of a little secluded, or it's actually -- I don't know, it was just very firm so the putts were -- I mean, both Jack and I thought that the putts were just faster there. I thought I missed the putt, but it somehow just snuck in there. Yeah, just kind of laughed it off.

