ROCKET MORTGAGE CLASSIC

ROUND 1 QUOTES June 27, 2024



NATE LASHLEY (-2)

Q. You've won here before, you know the success you can have here. How does it feel to be back?

NATE LASHLEY: Yeah, it's always nice to be back here. It's always going to be a special place for me. A little disappointed with my round today, but a lot of bogeys really. I hit it OK, just missed a few fairways and got in some bad spots, but just can't make five bogeys around this golf course. It's a lot of birdies out there, so hopefully something to improve on tomorrow.

Q. At least you started on a high note, obviously, the hole in one goes viral and everybody gets excited for that, but as you said, you can lose your footing quickly on this course. Can you speak to how high that is but how difficult it can be to come back?

NATE LASHLEY: Yeah, it was one of those shots, it was just a little right of the pin. I was hoping for it to carry the bunker and it must have just taken a perfect bounce and went in the hole. Pretty decent shot, but also a lot of luck involved there.

But yeah, like I said, I didn't get too crazy high or anything. Just not hitting the ball the way I need to right now. This golf course, if you hit it in the fairways you've got a lot of birdie chances, and I'm missing fairways. Got to find a way to get it in the fairway tomorrow.

Q. We've a lot of heat and a lot of rain this week. How are you feeling with the course conditions just with up-and-down weather?

NATE LASHLEY: Course conditions are good. Obviously it rained a lot on Monday I think it was, so it's still a little wet. Course conditions seems always pretty good here.

Q. (No microphone.)

NATE LASHLEY: Yeah, that was my first hole-in-one on the PGA TOUR, so it's nice. It's another -- something I'll always remember. This golf course has a lot of memories, so something, just another one right there. Having a hole-in-one being my first on Tour, it will be another fun thing for here in Detroit.

Q. What did you hit there?



NATE LASHLEY: I hit a 4-iron.

Q. How many -- have you had other holes in one on the Tour?

NATE LASHLEY: Not on the PGA TOUR. I had one on the Korn Ferry.

Q. Do you know how many you've had?

NATE LASHLEY: I've had 12, I think.

Q. Do you know when the last one was?

NATE LASHLEY: The last one I had, actually I was playing a practice round at Pebble and I had one on No. 7 two or three years ago, I think. Three years ago, I believe.

Q. I didn't see 9. How did you do on 9?

NATE LASHLEY: I made par.

Q. You're 4 under on the par 3s. Have you had a stretch like that before?

NATE LASHLEY: I don't know. Maybe, maybe not. Yeah, that's a problem. When you're 4 under on the par 3s and 2 over on the rest of the course, got to clean that up for sure.

