

ROUND 1 QUOTES

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PIERCESON COODY (-11)



Q. Pierceson, one heck of a round out there, 61, 11 under. That's your low on Tour. Just some thoughts on that round and six birdies in a row in the middle.

PIERCESON COODY: Yeah, I've been putting really nice all season. It's kind of a core set if you keep it in play, keep it in front of you, you have a lot of wedges, you end up with a lot of looks for birdie and it's just one of those days that I saw a ton of putts go in.

Q. Twenty putts, that's a record for you and I know the six birdies in a row is a career best for you as well. What does it mean to continue to improve and sort of set those personal records for yourself?

PIERCESON COODY: Yeah, I'm trying to run my own race. I didn't start the season the way I wanted to obviously, it was really slow. I've had some tournaments where I've kind of flashed a little bit. I'm just trying to keep improving my form. I know we still have, including the fall, 10 events or so, so I'm just trying to run my own race and see where I end up at the end of the year.

Q. On Sunday last week you shot 64, which was your career low. What sort of confidence does it give you when you shoot low rounds like that?

PIERCESON COODY: Yeah, it just shows that you can kind of piece it together even when you don't feel like you're playing your best. I still feel like I have a long ways to go to get to where I want to be, but I know that, like you said, Sunday at John Deere it was a good step in the right direction. This is obviously continuing that right direction.

Q. Can you just give us a quick run-through of those six birdies in a row?

PIERCESON COODY: Oh, yeah. Where do we start?

Yeah, the par 5, I missed the fairway, had to lay up to about a hundred yards and hit that to about 12 feet, made that for birdie. On 5, missed it in the right rough and hit it about 20 feet, made that for birdie. Hit a really nice wedge shot on 7 in there to about five feet. And then 8, hit on the right fringe about 50 feet, pretty simple two-putt.

No. 9 was probably the best of the birdies, I was in the right bunker, had a nice lie on the upslope and I made that. And then, yeah, on 10, again found a fairway to wedge -- to a pin that's accessible with the wedge and kind of hit it to about four, five feet again and had a pretty simple putt there.



Q. I think it's the 15th, the par 5, when you hit it on the green there. How close were you there?

PIERCESON COODY: On 15 I was about 10 feet or so.

Q. So you felt like you had a chance to make eagle at that point?

PIERCESON COODY: Yeah, no, I was disappointed after kind of finding the fairway and hitting a nice iron shot in there about 10 feet, the way things were going I certainly didn't expect to miss it, so when it didn't break into the hole I was a little bit shocked, but I just tried to stay patient. I knew that was still a nice score. My goal was to make a 4 and go on to the next.

Q. Did that magic number kind of cross your mind at all at that point?

PIERCESON COODY: I mean, not really, just because you kind of get into a spot where things are going your way, you're not really thinking of what number you're shooting, you're just trying to go get another one. Maybe if I was, whatever, 12 under on the last fairway or something like that like it would have crossed my mind, but I don't think I really got within, you know, I wasn't overly close to getting in.

