

ROUND 3 QUOTES
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HEATH SLOCUM (-6)



Q. Tough weekend. What does this mean for you now moving forward?

HEATH SLOCUM: I mean, just go home and get better. Just go back and practice. It was a year of, you know, kind of learning what I need to get better at, unfortunately.

At the same time, I mean, it would just be nice to get home, get a little break, get some work in really. That's about it really. Just yeah, just had plans for -- it's tough, it's a tough thing. You've got to be on your game, like I said, all three days. I just had a two-, three-hole stretch yesterday that just killed all the momentum and I just couldn't claw back from it.

Q. How bad does this hurt, because I'm sure you set a goal to be back out here and that didn't happen?

HEATH SLOCUM: Oh, yeah, yeah. Again, that was the only goal, right? You just have to -- we talked about it. You just have to play really well to keep your card out here every single year. I fell short this year, so what do you do except go back and try to get better, try to get back out here.

Q. What did you learn about yourself this season?

HEATH SLOCUM: That it's not like riding a bike, I'll tell you that.

The eight-year layoff, it took me longer than anticipated to get back to scoring. I mean, all I can do now honestly is just go back and I have kept pretty good records of the thing I need to work on, what I did poorly this year. I'll go back and work. It will be nice to know the golf courses. My short irons, my scoring irons were not nearly as crisp as they have to be. That's what I'll go back and do, work on it.

Q. (No microphone.)

HEATH SLOCUM: I'm sure I will. That's the only way, I mean, to improve your position, right?

Q. You've been in all kinds of situations career-wise, golf-wise. What is this like, this kind of pressure as compared to maybe some of the past (inaudible) that you've been up against?

HEATH SLOCUM: It's funny because it kind of brings you -- I had the feeling of back to when I first started. Like literally you're playing week to week trying to keep your job.

So I remember when I first got started before I got on Tour, that's what you're doing. You're, A, either trying to win enough money to get to Q-School, but you're also preparing for Q-School. And then when you got on Tour or when I finally got through and got on there, this reminded me today, the last couple weeks reminded me more of early in my career than it did when I was kind of cooking, you know, because I didn't really have to worry about it the majority of my career, which was nice. This reminded me back when I was real young.