

**ROUND 1 QUICK QUOTES**  
**April 3, 2025**



**ALDRICH POTGIETER ( -4)**

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**Q. Aldrich, 4 under par, excellent start, if we can get some comments on your play today.**

**ALDRICH POTGIETER:** Yeah, it was good. Felt like I was in control again of my game. The last couple weeks have been tough playing so many events in a row and not getting a break, but last week in a row here and then we've got a couple weeks off, so trying to push through it and maybe walk away with a win and go play Augusta for another week. Yeah, looking forward to this week, should be good.

**Q. You're first in the field in strokes gained off the tee right now, you put a couple out there 380-plus today. How big of an advantage do you feel you have off the tee on this golf course?**

**ALDRICH POTGIETER:** Yeah, I mean, this golf course kind of makes you hit in certain spots. There's some tee shots where I kind of have to tee it a little lower, find the fairway just to make sure that it's in play, where there's some tee shots that I can really open it up, like hole 17, I love that hole. Watching it on TV, watching the highlights coming into this week and looking forward to driving some greens. Yeah, there's just a couple holes that you have to look at that you've got to pull back no matter what, so just trying to hit fairways at this point.

**Q. You also putted very well today. What would you say is the difference today compared to maybe your last three events?**

**ALDRICH POTGIETER:** Yeah, it's different green conditions as well. On different greens, like Bay Hill was really, really quick, different kind of grass as well. This is kind of a bit more grainy, kind of into grain slow putts, down grain (indiscernible.) I made a putter change, but yeah, just feeling a bit more confident over the ball, that's probably the biggest thing.

**Q. I know you mentioned trying to get in next week at Augusta. RBC Heritage is probably on your mind as well with the Aon Swing 5. Is that something that you're thinking about right now in terms of trying to get into that Aon Swing 5?**

**ALDRICH POTGIETER:** Yeah, that's always a great schedule point we're trying to look at. We're obviously playing Punta Cana, that's the same week. So just trying to look at some golf courses that will suit me as well, not just playing some of the biggest events. I mean, sitting down with some coaches and guys who've been out here for 20 years. You can learn a lot from just playing the biggest events and if you're not playing that good at those big events, you're going to struggle. So maybe if you go take your game somewhere else where

you might win a smaller event, stuff like that, you can gather points, especially just trying to keep your card for the rookie season and trying to just keep your mind at ease in playing good golf.