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JACKSON KOIVUN



MODERATOR: Good afternoon. We'd like to welcome the No. 1 ranked amateur, Jackson Koivun, to the 2025 Wyndham Championship.

Jackson, thank you for joining us. You're fresh off of two top-15 finishes in just six starts on Tour this season. Can you just give us some comments on what it's like seeing some success on Tour so soon?

JACKSON KOIVUN: Yeah, it's great to be out here. PGA TOUR and the PGA TOUR U have done a great job to inspire some opportunities for some amateurs, and to be able to come out and play well there my past two events was really fun. Just looking forward to this week at the Wyndham Championship and yeah, just trying to keep that momentum going.

MODERATOR: You're making your tournament debut this week. However, you have played here before back in 2022, you finished fourth in the AJGA event here. Is that special coming back and playing the Tour event of a junior event?

JACKSON KOIVUN: Yeah, for sure. This was always one of my favorite tournaments as a junior, I think I played it three years in a row. This golf course is amazing, they keep it in such great shape. Obviously had a little bit of success in my junior career. It will be nice to have a little familiarity with the golf course. Yeah, trying to keep the momentum going.

MODERATOR: Last event of the Tour season. Do you have any expectations heading into the week, or what's the game plan?

JACKSON KOIVUN: Just go have fun, try not to give myself too many expectations especially at a place like this with so many great players. Just trying to play smart and see what I can do.

Q. Obviously you've played a lot of tournament golf. Does it feel different to you when you get to a Tour event or do you do your best to think it's just golf?

JACKSON KOIVUN: I try my best to think it's just golf. I like to think that a 7-iron is a 7-iron no matter where you're at. No, obviously the golf courses might be a little tougher, a little more tricked out and the competition's obviously the best on the planet, but just trying to not let myself get too caught up in the moment and just go play golf.

Q. I assume you feel pretty good about the state of your game given all you've done right now. Are you where you want to be? What's next?



JACKSON KOIVUN: Yeah, I feel really good about my golf game. I'm happy with the way I'm hitting it, happy with the way my mental game is, looking forward to this week and U.S. Amateurs coming up. Looking forward to getting out to California for that.

MODERATOR: Are you expecting any friends or family to come out this week?

JACKSON KOIVUN: I might have some local friends come out. My parents will be out here cheering me on, so that will be great. It's always good when you can have your parents out here.

Q. I'm sure you've been asked this but just for clarification, you're going to play another year at Auburn; is that correct?

JACKSON KOIVUN: Correct.

Q. And the thought process behind that? I'm sure you've explained it a million times.

JACKSON KOIVUN: Yeah, I just think college golf is in such a good spot, I think there's just so many things to learn in this game and I think taking another year, another year or two just definitely can't really hurt for the next 20, 30 years I hopefully play this game.

MODERATOR: From your last two starts, you had a top-10 finish, has there been any player that surprised you, that has reached out to you or that you can look to as a mentor since you've been on Tour this season?

JACKSON KOIVUN: Yeah, I've gotten to know a couple guys here and there; a couple buddies I knew from junior golf that are starting their pro ranks, too. I've also gotten to know a couple of the older guys. I text frequently with Russell Henley. He's been playing some really good golf, happy with the way he's been playing. If I ever need anything, I just shoot him a text. He comes down and plays at Auburn. He's definitely been helpful. There's a bunch of other guys that have been super nice and welcoming and happy to play with me, so it's really cool.

MODERATOR: Is there anything you're going to change this week heading into the final season, final event of the season?

JACKSON KOIVUN: No. I think just trying to keep it similar. I know I'm playing pretty good right now, so just trying to keep that positive confidence that will hopefully carry over to this week and hopefully help me perform well.

Q. As you've been in these events, has there been something you've learned about yourself and your game, like OK, to be what I want to be down the line, I need to be better at this or this, or do you feel like you've got the foundation you want?

JACKSON KOIVUN: I definitely think I have a good foundation, but there's just little things



here and there I need to get a little better at. Course management, understanding the golf course a little bit. And then these guys are so good with their wedges, it's incredibly impressive and something I need to just keep working on if I want to play out here for a while.

MODERATOR: Good luck this week.

