

## ALBERTSONS BOISE OPEN presented by Chevron

### ROUND 3 QUICK QUOTES

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**Q. Great round, clubhouse leader right now. Walk us through some of the highlights of the round today.**

**JEFFREY KANG:** Yeah, probably got to start with the eagle on 3. Chipped it in from just off the fringe on the back. Kind of nice to get that early and get my round going. Strung together some pretty good birdie looks and made some good putts. Kind of how my day went.

**Q. What do you make of just what changed maybe today, shooting 63 compared to the last couple days?**

**JEFFREY KANG:** Just had a little bit more birdie looks. I think I hit a little bit more fairways, made a few more putts that were for birdie instead of pars the first two days. I was scrambling a little bit. I think just having more opportunities for birdie is probably the biggest difference.

**Q. What was it like having those fans out there, the guys from USC kind of cheering for you and having that energy in the crowd?**

**JEFFREY KANG:** They gave me such good vibes today from the first hole. I wasn't even sure if they went to USC but they probably just saw that I went there, and they probably just took that and gave us a nice little boost to start the day and keep it going.

**Q. You told them on 10 tee to stick with you?**

**JEFFREY KANG:** Yeah, they disappeared after 9 and then I hit it right next to the green, made par on 10 and bogeyed 11, and they showed up on 12 and I made birdie, so I told them to stick around. Yeah, that was a lot of fun.

**Q. I asked them, they said they went to that place selling the three hats for 20 and they all got a USC hat.**

**JEFFREY KANG:** Yeah, after they came out I saw them with SC hats so I asked them where they got it, and they said, right out here. That's just really cool. That's the beauty of this tournament. I'm really, really happy about it.

**Q. What do you attribute your increased form as the last couple years have gone on? It seems like your results have slowly gotten better and better and it seems like you've gotten more and more comfortable on this tour. Is that a fair statement?**

**JEFFREY KANG:** Yeah, definitely the comfort level, just kind of figuring out my game, how to play out here and where I stack up out here. It took me a lot longer than I thought it would take.

I think that definitely, and I think after last year, I really looked at what I needed to do better, and I think that's slowly improved as well.

I think like all aspects of the game have gotten better, and mentally, too.

**Q. Was there a time early in your career where you wondered if you were good enough, or did you always have that sense of --**

**JEFFREY KANG:** No, I've always had that belief. I grew up pretty competitively like as a junior golfer, even in college, and a lot of the guys I played with, I knew where I stood against them. I think my confidence was always there. It was probably a lot more frustration of not being able to live up to that level of confidence that I had in myself. I think that's probably it, but I definitely didn't lack that confidence of where my game stacked up.

**Q. Who's someone that helped you persevere and stay the course along the way?**

**JEFFREY KANG:** It's a lot of people. A lot of my coaches, a lot of my friends back home and my girlfriend, my whole family. There's not really one person that I can pinpoint to. But I think there are just so many people back home that have kind of took me under their wing and kind of kept me sane, I guess. But yeah, there's just a lot of people that I would have to say thank you to.

**Q. What's it mean to have this opportunity tomorrow to chase the title here and move closer to a TOUR card?**

**JEFFREY KANG:** Yeah, always having a chance to win a tournament -- it's really hard to win a golf tournament, so anytime you're around that chance to do it, it's special, especially out here where we've kind of looked up to this event for a while, just knowing what the event brings and just kind of vibes, the golf course. I'm really happy with where I'm at. I've still got 18 holes to play, so just try to keep doing what I'm doing and see what happens.

**Q. I noted somewhere, maybe it was a bio or something that if you weren't playing golf you'd like to run a small restaurant; do you still think you would?**

**JEFFREY KANG:** I definitely wouldn't. I don't even know when I wrote that. I love food, so that's probably why I did it. But I don't think I would run a restaurant. I watch, like, a lot of TV shows of cooking, and I don't think I'm ready for that stress to run a restaurant like that. Definitely wouldn't.

Yeah, I enjoy the food aspects of it, so...

**Q. Are you a big cooker at home or on the road?**

**JEFFREY KANG:** Not really. I do like to cook. I just hate cleaning up after myself. That's just not it. But my girlfriend cooks a lot at home, and I kind of help out as much as I can. I eat a lot of home-cooked meals, but I don't really cook myself.