

ROUND 3 QUICK QUOTES
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JUSTIN LEONARD (-12)



Q. Justin, congratulations. If we can just get your thoughts on getting the win today. It was tough, it was a battle out there.

JUSTIN LEONARD: It was a battle. Almost one of those days where scores and numbers don't matter as much, you've just got to manage the conditions. The wind was moving around a little bit and so it was very tricky. Sean had a great read on it all day. A couple times he told me to wait for the wind that we were expecting. It was just, I feel for Ernie. Golly, he's played so good, it feels like he could have won 12 tournaments this year. Fortunately, today was just my day.

Q. Patience seemed like the keyword today; was it?

JUSTIN LEONARD: It was, yeah. There's some -- even with wedges and sand wedges, it's a little bit dicey when the wind's blowing like this and you're trying to hit your number, you know, but you get downwind and you've got to keep enough spin on it. So a lot of work goes into hitting quality shots on a day like today.

Q. Talk me through the putt on 18.

JUSTIN LEONARD: Yeah. So it was nice, it was slightly downhill. I saw Ricardo's, he hit a beautiful putt, great pace. It wasn't on my same line, but it was close enough to where I could really get a sense of the pace and the break.

You know, walking up to the green, I mean, I had a sense but I asked Sean where we stood. He said that at the time as far as he knew we were two back. He said, but that doesn't matter, just go do what you do and hit a good putt. Fortunately, it worked out.

Q. What's this win mean to you?

JUSTIN LEONARD: You know, I don't remember people asking a lot when are you going to get your third, so that's -- maybe I'm done with that.

It's nice. I've been on this nice run here the last three or four months and I've had some chances to win and played some pretty good golf. Maybe not my best golf through it, but today was really special on a really special golf course, great crowds. My daughter came over from Charlottesville with three of her roommates, her boyfriend was here earlier in the round. So I'm going to miss Richmond, Virginia, for sure.

Q. That putter's going nowhere, is it?

JUSTIN LEONARD: That putter is -- no, no, it's good enough. I think we're going to start looking for backups here soon.

Q. Last one: How excited are you about these next two events?

JUSTIN LEONARD: I'm very excited. I haven't been to Little Rock to play this event. I've been there before. I'm going to go home for a night though and get up there Tuesday.

It does, I think jumps me into the top-10, which is kind of fun. I don't know what the possibilities are, but if I keep moving up that list these next couple of events, I'll be real happy.