

THE PANAMÁ CHAMPIONSHIP

ROUND 4 QUOTES

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IAN HOLT (-8)

Q. When you won in Abaco you said I would like to -- I'm not satisfied, you know. It was a goal to win but I would like to win one more or two more and you turned this into a win. Thoughts on such an accomplishment?

IAN HOLT: Yeah, it's pretty surreal right now. I think being able to do it last week in the fashion that I did it gave me a lot of confidence coming into this week knowing that I didn't have to be perfect or do anything special.

And yeah, I came into today with like a weird sense of calm, just kind of like a quiet confidence. I'm really proud of myself.

Q. Confidence goes a long way in this game. As you say, it's what made a huge difference this week.

IAN HOLT: 100 percent, 100 percent, just knowing that I can do it. Like you said, 11 days ago I did it. Yeah, the confidence and just believing in myself made all the difference.

Q. At the last event you also spoke about the struggles that (inaudible) this game brings. You've been considering giving up at some point and now you have one twice. It's a crazy game.

IAN HOLT: It's a crazy game, it's a crazy game. I think it just shows just kind of never give up. I was fortunate, I surround myself with good people that kind of help me along. Yeah, I'm sorry, I don't have a lot of words right now.

Q. This is historic Korn Ferry Tour-wise, you're the fastest to two wins at the beginning of the season. The record was Jimmy Walker in 2004, it took him four events to win twice. So tell me about accomplishing something like that history wise.

IAN HOLT: Yeah, I didn't know that. That's awesome. I think it's just a testament of, you know, what I've been doing on and off the golf course. A big thing for me this week going into this week was not to be complacent with the win from last week, keep the pedal down and keep playing the way that I've been playing, and just trust myself.

Q. If you win again, we're just two events into the season, if you win again you'll secure a promotion to the PGA TOUR.



IAN HOLT: Yeah.

Q. That's within reach. Talk to me about that.

IAN HOLT: Yeah, obviously I haven't really thought about it too much. I've been kind of just taking it event by event. Yeah, that's a pretty cool thing and definitely a goal that I'll be pushing for, for sure.

Q. Let's discuss today's round. Six birdies, three bogeys. You got off to a great start and you had a couple of bogeys, back-to-back bogeys but you were able to come back from that. Take me through your round.

IAN HOLT: Yeah, coming into today it was important for to myself to kind of get off to a hot start because I know you've got, you know, 6, 7 is a really tough holes in this wind. No. 7's probably one of the hardest holes we play all year so I knew I kind of want to give myself a little breathing room just in case.

And then making a nice birdie on 9 was great, I hit a really nice shot into there. Then making the turn and hitting a close one on 10, knocking that in.

Then a big thing for me today was like you kind of look at this course and you're like, all right, if I can just get through 6 and 7, you can get through 10, 11, and 15, 16, like you kind of just kind of plot your way around.

So those were big for me and I was able to get through 11 nicely, and kind of messed up a little bit on 12. But rolling that putt in on 14 was nice. It kind of settled me down a little bit. I made a nice up-and-down on 8 as well to kind of settle things down and get me back into it.

And then the drive on 18, I couldn't have placed it any better if I wanted to. Hit a really nice wedge shot in there. Had a little more than I wanted on that second putt on 18, but it worked out.

Q. After the birdie on 14, you get to 8 under.

IAN HOLT: Yeah.

Q. No lead is safe here, right?

IAN HOLT: No, no absolutely not. I'm not a huge leaderboard watcher, so I had an idea just from passing guys and their walking scorers, seeing what they were at.

But yeah, there's no relaxation at all out here. It's one or two bad shots in a row can really produce some big numbers. I was just trying to stay as focused as possible and just focus on the next shot and go from there.



Q. Who were you speaking on the phone with?

IAN HOLT: My wife, yeah. She's pretty fired up.

Q. Tell me about her and what the support that she brings being behind you.

IAN HOLT: She's amazing. It takes a really special person, it takes a really special person to be married to a professional golfer with how much we travel, how much we're gone, how much they're at home. I couldn't ask for a better person at home and in my life. I'm so thankful for her. I can't wait to go back and see her.

Q. (No microphone.)

IAN HOLT: No.

Q. Can you talk about how nice it was to see her face?

IAN HOLT: It was great. It was kind of like the perfect time in between events where we had four days, so it was nice to get home and chill. But it wasn't so much where, you know, it was kind of felt like we got right back into it. Yeah, it was great seeing her and I can't wait to see her in a week.

