

BLADES BROWN (-8)

Q. Five under today, Blades, what was working for you out there?

BLADES BROWN: Yeah, I stayed patient, executed a lot of high quality golf shots. Started to shape a little bit into the wind, crosswinds. The one thing that's really good about the Grand Reserve golf course is there is not a single hole straight downwind, they're all crosswinds and that kind of adds to the spice of the tournament.

Q. Really heated up a little bit out there. The wind, like you said, was a factor. How did you handle the conditions and just stayed calm out there?

BLADES BROWN: Yeah, I just tried to execute the shots that I could control. Yeah, tried to hit fairways and hit greens and I was lucky enough to make a few putts as well.

Q. This is your third start on Tour just this season and earlier this season you played in the final group with Scottie Scheffler. Do you feel like after that experience now you're just comfortable playing with the pros.

BLADES BROWN: 100 percent. It's weird because that was kind of the -- that was the biggest tournament that I played in and plus it was with Scottie Scheffler. You can't -- it just makes this golf course seem so much more fun. I'm enjoying myself out there, I've got a great person on the bag, his name is Brett. Yeah, we're just having a lot of fun.

Q. We were talking about the AJGA players in the field. How has that made you more comfortable having some of your friends out here?

BLADES BROWN: There's a tiny bit of an age gap with me. Like I know a lot of the guys that are like 23, 24 but that's still six, seven years from me, which is 18. And to be able to see Miles, Carson, Kihei all on the putting green, it reminds me of an AJGA event so it's pretty special.

Q. And you're in contention heading into the weekend. What expectations or goals do you have for yourself?

BLADES BROWN: Yeah, we're halfway there, this is the halfway mark. I'm excited to be playing two more days at the Grand Reserve. And a lot can happen in two days, so I'm excited for the weekend.