

VISIT KNOXVILLE OPEN

ROUND 4 QUOTES

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DOC REDMAN (-25, won 1st playoff hole)

Q. Doc, second KFT win of the season, congrats. What's going through your mind right now?

DOC REDMAN: Yeah, I think I'm very excited. I knew I could do it going in, I'm playing really well, and just to play really well like I did I think gives me a lot of confidence and I think I can do it again.

Q. What was your competitive advantage this week?

DOC REDMAN: I mean, I think I just stayed really even keeled and I took advantage when I could. I think I played comfortably to the middle of the greens when I wasn't in the best spot and I putted really well, which was nice.

Q. What's it like seeing a number like Hunter kind of posted and did you look at the board, were you aware that he was in the clubhouse at 25?

DOC REDMAN: Yeah, I think I saw late on the back nine that he was. I mean, I try and just prepare that nothing's going to surprise me. It was awesome that he played really well, so I was ready to try and match it or beat it.

Q. Can you walk through your whole playoff hole, just all the shots?

DOC REDMAN: Yeah, no, I didn't like see him around and I saw that he's been playing awesome, really consistently, so that's really cool. And he seems like a nice guy. So I was just asking where they live and what -- I always like to ask what people like most in South America because that's a fun journey that we go on. So it was nice to get to know him a little and hopefully we'll play some more in the future.

Q. Can you talk through the three shots on the playoff hole for you, the eagle? The drive, the second shot and the putt?

DOC REDMAN: Yeah. It was nice to get a little downwind on the drive, that definitely helped me. I hit a great drive and then had a nice 5-iron in. Again, I was just trying not to be too fancy and get it on, and I did well. Then the last putt was crazy. I've been putting well all week and had some lip-outs late, so I guess whether it went in or not, I guess I deserved it in the end.



Q. How about 18 in regulation where you also had to make a birdie?

DOC REDMAN: Yeah, that was tough. I guess I played 17 really well and unfortunately made bogey, but I was prepared to have to make birdie to win or go to the playoff anyway. So I think it looked like it was going to go in in regulation for a minute too, so that was really cool.

Q. That's not the easiest green to putt, but you did really well on it.

DOC REDMAN: Yeah. I think my speed was really good all week. No, it's not an easy green to putt. I think you're just trying to get it on the high side and kind of cozy it down there, but now since they're like a hair slower, you see a few people leave it short, which isn't ideal either. But I had a lot of confidence in my speed, so that went well.

Q. You took a FaceTime call. Just the sacrifices that, it's got to feel that a little bit of that is worth it when you get to hold that trophy?

DOC REDMAN: Yeah, definitely. I mean, I think just trying to -- they're my biggest supporters and I love them very much. I miss them, but we'll see them soon.

Q. Are those your kids?

DOC REDMAN: It was my son and my wife. Our son's one and a half, his name's Onnis. So he's pretty crazy on the golf course. They were just at home. He finished up some swim survival lessons this week so they're doing their thing and doing great and I'm trying to be out here and do the best I can as well.

Q. What are your thoughts on this course?

DOC REDMAN: Oh, I think it's an amazing course. Everyone has it circled on the calendar of going. It's challenging, especially into the greens and around the greens and I think that separates people really well. I was really excited to play it.

Q. Having their support to chase this dream to try to get back on the Tour, just what does that mean to you? Two wins now this season, it's got to feel like it's paying off a little bit?

DOC REDMAN: Yeah, definitely. It's been a long road and my wife's been with me and she's been my biggest supporter and given me a lot of love to keep going and believe in myself. So I think I rely on her a lot for that. Yeah, it's an amazing feeling and we both knew I could do it.

Q. Your break you took, that was last spring?

DOC REDMAN: Yeah, it was last spring.



Q. So this was your first start back?

DOC REDMAN: Yeah, it was my first start back. Isn't that crazy? I mean, I like the course and I knew I could do well and it worked out well.

Q. Did you feel rejuvenated that week thinking back to a year ago or are you still kind of working through kind of some of the --

DOC REDMAN: No. I mean, Cooper and I talked about it. It's always tough and it's always going to be tough being away. And golf doesn't always go your way. I think it's easy to eat away at your confidence, your self belief and your image. So I think I've done a much better job of just whatever happened today wasn't going to change my opinion of myself or how I'm playing and that's made a big difference.

Q. During that break, did you apply for other jobs at all?

DOC REDMAN: No, I didn't. I really -- you know, I didn't really, no. Maybe it became obvious that I didn't have a lot of other qualifications and this is what I'm best at. So it's a blessing to be able to pursue what you're best at and get paid to do it and that's pretty awesome. She makes a lot of sacrifices and I do, too, and it's not easy, but being able to do this is really cool.

Q. Where does that putt rank in terms of most fun winning putt moments?

DOC REDMAN: Yeah, I mean, I guess I thought it missed so --

Q. Were you looking at it still?

DOC REDMAN: Not really. And I guess I didn't even think, like what are you putting for, is this over or what? But that was pretty funny that it went in at the end of the day.

Q. And then being not Tour Bound yet but on the verge of getting back to the PGA TOUR with two wins after having got your card quickly out of college and then lost it, are you allowed to like take a moment to like be proud of yourself for kind of the resilience to kind of fight back?

DOC REDMAN: Yeah, for sure, definitely. I think that's something that would be great for me to reflect on and think a lot about and just give myself props for sticking with it.

I think I try and remind myself all the time of all the great players there are playing late into their years and don't have success until their probably mid 30s, you know, especially at the PGA TOUR level. I think that's the beauty of golf is that there's no rush, you've just got to stick with it.



Q. Why did you take a break?

DOC REDMAN: I just wasn't happy playing golf. I think the tough thing about golf is, especially out here, everyone's so good and if you're not enjoying it, you're not going to get the best out of your game. Then there's almost no reason to be out here just kind of spinning your wheels.

And we had just had my son and I think I was just struggling with all the sacrifice there was in being away. So I needed kind of a reset to figure out why I was out here and refind kind of the love for it. So eventually I realized that, but it took a while.

Q. You know what Ben Griffin has done.

DOC REDMAN: Right, totally. Yeah, exactly. And I think in a different respect Brooks Koepka's talked a lot about that, too. And I think it's difficult, but that's -- now I appreciate the difficulty and how good everyone is. I think that's a really nice opportunity to come out here and compete against everyone and try to do your best.

Q. When I was following you on Thursday or Friday, a group walked past you and said, "Oh, look, it's the guys from Mt. Nicemore."

DOC REDMAN: That was Cooper's group, yeah. And he had the Mr. Nicemore group, too. It was funny he was saying that about us.

Q. How does it feel to be known as one of the all-time nice guys out here?

DOC REDMAN: I mean, I think that was one of my goals was just to kind of communicate and reach out to more people when I came back out here because before I thought I was on an island and I wasn't kind of talking to other people about everything, so I was like I might as well enjoy it.

Everyone's super nice out here so you can kind of just have a good time and be friendly. I think that makes the day a lot easier and everything.

So I guess it's great. I don't know if I see it that way as much, but I just like saying "hey" to people and putting a smile on people's faces.

