ROUND 4 QUICK QUOTE
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ZACH JOHNSON (-17)

Q. Zach, here we are, you played great today. I know you had a plan. Can you tell us about last night? I'm sure you talked to Smitty about it.

ZACH JOHNSON: Yeah. I mean, obviously just keep doing what we were doing the last couple of days. The last nine holes on Friday kind of got the best of me. You know, hit bad shots, and the weather turned and that's probably where it kind of took some wind out of my sail.

This weekend I didn't make a bogey if I'm not mistaken. Not that that's the goal, but bogey avoid advance is big and I gave myself plenty of opportunities today, didn't make many putts. It's not like I was knocking pins down, either. A couple of short ones maybe on the last nine holes, but other than that, I played really solid. I'm proud of that.

Obviously I didn't -- Stewart won it, too. That's the bottom line and that's what you want to see. The guy's a champion through and through. You know, I don't particularly care for him much, but other than that -- I'm just kidding, that's my best buddy right there. Yeah, that first day he didn't miss a shot.

Clearly, clearly the best player won this week and that's what you want to see.

Q. Well, that's awful gracious of you because you could have easily won as well. Six wins your rookie year, you could have tied that record with seven, but started at Jim Hardie and six wins, that's an unbelievable year.

ZACH JOHNSON: Appreciate that.

Q. Did you expect that?

ZACH JOHNSON: No, zero expectations in that regard. I expected to play solid because I could see it in my game I saw the latter part of last year. How it was going to manifest, I had no idea. But the beauty of this place, the beauty of this game, the beauty of golf is that if you get a little momentum, get a little confidence, good things can happen.

I had a lot of other opportunities to win, but it's hard. Grateful for the ones that I got. There's a couple there that, you know, maybe couldn't or shouldn't have. But an amazing year. I'm so grateful for the people that I've got around me starting with my wife and my family certainly. Great team of coaches, great ensemble of support staff and just amazing people. As you know, Slu, they say it's an individual game, it's the furthest thing from it.

Q. Great year in golf, but a sad week. Want to talk on that a little bit?

ZACH JOHNSON: Sure, no, my heart was broken, you know? We lost an ambassador of the game, certainly an ambassador of sports I would say. An amazing human.

I've been fortunate to spend quite a bit of time with Dan Hicks over the years. Thinking about he and his family. A lot of prayers. Don't say that lightly. I take that very serious because this one hurts.

I know God's got a plan, it's hard to see. But yeah, I'm rattled right now just given the weight of it. We all lost a friend. I know he's got an amazing voice and made things look really easy at times, but man, he was a talent. All that aside, a great human.

Q. Well said. Have a great offseason and we will see you in Hawaii.

ZACH JOHNSON: Appreciate you, Slu.