The Presidents Cup

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Adam Scott Cam Davis

Quick Quotes

Q. Is that a tough one to cop?

ADAM SCOTT: I think all the losses are tough to cop when it's -- you know, just on the back foot for two days. So it's been a grind. I haven't gotten anything going. I haven't got the putts going and haven't played particularly great so I shouldn't expect to be routing anybody.

But when you're hanging in there, you feel like you've got a chance to turn it around. But Jordan made a couple of big putts on -- trying to think of the holes -- 15 and 17.

So it seems like it's a familiar story. They've got a few putts going, and we haven't yet. So we're really behind the eight ball at the moment.

Q. How deep did you guys have to dig today, and how much did you lean on each other?

ADAM SCOTT: Cam was playing really good, and that finally allowed me to free up a little bit. We really found our stride around the turn, and then we were playing really good golf.

He carried me the whole front nine. But we were playing two really good players who just got on top of us early and played the way they do and made it hard for us to get back in it.

Q. Adam, can you describe the mood in the team room last night?

ADAM SCOTT: It was pretty positive, all things being said. For a while there, it looked like we were going to get routed.

Personally, my feeling was I was so thrilled to see guys drag some matches right to the end. Cam flipped one around, he and Si Woo. And the other guys who went up 18, Mito and Taylor, didn't go their way up 18.



But to see the fight there in everyone and drag them out and make them really work for it, that's all you can ask for.

Q. Those of us who have never been inside this arena, is there anything to the psychological aspect of if you guys see red on the board early, is it difficult? How does that work when you guys are actually competing?

ADAM SCOTT: I think it's more like it's better if we see some yellow or the black or whatever they're putting up for us. It's not like you look at the board and get down, but I think you'd get more up if you saw guys going.

We were up first today, and we got down, and it didn't send any kind of message back to the team. That can be tough. But we got down early, and we hung in there all the way. We didn't let them get away from us. They're great players.

CAM DAVIS: No. When you see a little red up there, I mean, you're already kind of working hard in your own match. So gives you a positive kick if you see your team up. Or if you don't, it's just like, hey, I've got to keep doing what I'm doing. I've still got to just get my job done.

I felt like we did a good job of that today. I was playing well early. I think I had a couple of scratchy holes, and Adam took the reins on those ones. After that point, we were trading great shots all the way down the back nine.

We played a lot of really good golf. It was just a difference where we had a few holes where we had a couple putts to win it, and they kept on sliding by. That's all the difference right here.

There could be a little grain around the hole that kicks theirs in, that kicks ours out. It does seem to be a familiar story right now from watching it on TV for the last few years to being a part of it.

The difference between playing amazingly good golf and what we did today is very, very fine right now.

Q. As the deficit grows, is it almost a good thing there

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are a few rookies on the team, less scar tissue and maybe more fearlessness?

ADAM SCOTT: I don't know. I don't think so.

CAM DAVIS: You're always going at it trying to get a point the next day. I don't know if it's more fire, less fire. For me personally, I'm so pumped to be playing every match that I'm playing, I feel like I'm playing well.

It's just I really want a chance to get that next point on the board. It was a great feeling yesterday to get it done for the team. I love this team atmosphere, and that's what pushes me forward to making points, not seeing red on the board. It's like I really want to do my part for the team.

Q. What about teeing off on No. 1 today?

CAM DAVIS: Teeing off on No. 1 was one of the coolest experiences I've ever had.

Q. The president's there.

CAM DAVIS: It was the biggest 1st tee environment I've ever been a part of, and it was one of my best tee shots I think I can remember hitting. I absolutely smoked it.

I'm really proud of myself that I can prove to myself that feeling that I can hit a really good shot. I think that's going to be good not just for this week, but going forward. I haven't had many opportunities for that, and I'm really pumped that I can rise to that occasion.

Q. Can you refresh my memory, are you typically in the tone-setting first match in these, or is that kind of new this time around?

ADAM SCOTT: I don't know. Am I? I think I went out once before like in 2011 in Melbourne. I might have gone the first match of the whole tournament, actually.

I think I've been here, there, and everywhere in these things.

Q. Do you think Trevor is trying to send a message by sending out the better guy first, or is that just kind of how pairings go?

ADAM SCOTT: Maybe hopeful. But I think it's how the pairings go. They've got their strategy, and it's a very strong team. We're doing the best we can to find all the variables to go in our favor.

It's fallen that I've led off for a couple days. I didn't put my hand up and say that was my job, but I didn't do a very

good job anyhow.

Q. Do you envision an Adam Scott speech tonight?

ADAM SCOTT: I don't know. I think it's a good night for obviously the captains to figure out what the plan is, and I think it could be a good night to hear from everybody, see how they feel, let everyone kind of reset and come out with a fresh mind tomorrow no matter what happens the rest of this round and play for 20 points over the weekend.

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