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Pebble Beach Golf Links

Justin Rose

Quick Quotes



Q. 11 career wins. If you look at your season you could see you trending a little bit. Maybe not knocking down a top-2 finish, but you were trending coming in. What was it that elevated your game to the next level this week?

JUSTIN ROSE: Just a ton of little, small factors. I've been kind of not super happy with my equipment. I made a change out of the blue this week. New irons, new shafts. That seemed to make things a little bit easier. Certainly on like the three-quarter shots into greens which you needed this week to try to take a bit of spin off the ball.

Caught a nice break in terms of when they blew the horn playing Monterey Peninsula with some more favorable conditions yesterday morning. Hole-in-one. There's been a lot going this week.

I think overall, if I had to think about one thing it was just knowing I'm trending, just sometimes when you're trending you kind of try a little too hard. I think the format this week, playing with amateurs, kind of just mellowed me out to the point where I let it happen. I let my good golf come forward. It's obviously a learning lesson in that.

But, yeah, super excited just to -- one thing I have realized is obviously I haven't been playing enough great golf, but when I do play half decent I do give myself chances to win. It was nice today to tee off with a lead.

When I first started -- yesterday as well -- I got to sleep on it two nights now. It was awesome.

Q. I thought your putting separated you from the field today. You 1-putted each of the first six greens. Now some of those were chips with the putter from off the green.

JUSTIN ROSE: Up-and-down.

Q. Absolutely. Then you just kind of commercialized it in. But three huge putts. A 30-footer, a 20-footer and finally that 10-footer at 14.

JUSTIN ROSE: Absolutely. That was the -- I think -- to be honest, I even go back to the 10th green. It reminded me very much of the first hole yesterday where I made a soft bogey. Again, it was a little cold this morning. The 9-iron didn't go very far. The ball spun a little bit. I'm left with four and a half feet. The greens didn't look that tremendous clean this morning either. It kind of had that feeling.

So making that first four and a half-footer on the first green of the day kind of set me up for the rest of the way.

Q. 42 years old. This just sets you up for just a super season where you're still finally physically healthy. Equipment problems solved. The game and mental confidence all seem to be on the same axis.

JUSTIN ROSE: Definitely. Listen, obviously a win does give you a lot of belief. We always know we can do it, but sometimes you got to see the proof. That does make me feel good.

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