

TOUR Championship

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East Lake Golf Club

Brooks Koepka

Quick Quotes

Q. Assess your round.

BROOKS KOEPKA: I thought it was pretty boring, to be honest with you. I putted really good. I struck it pretty good in places and then some shots, like on 16 and 15, just two bad shots kind of the wrong time. But made good putts to make up for it. So it is what it is. If you play 15 1-over for the week you'll be all right.

Q. You went to dinner with Captain Stricker last night. How did the dinner go? Any conversations you guys had or anything?

BROOKS KOEPKA: It was good. Food was good. We just talked about everything that's going on right now, what we're doing kind of leading up to it, a couple, who we think might suit the team well if they would be there. It was a good dinner. We enjoyed it and it was fun.

Q. They were asking about your feedback for potential captains picks?

BROOKS KOEPKA: Yeah. We were kind of talking about everything, whether we're going to play a practice when we get there, rules, regulation, how things are going to go there. I mean from A to Z, it was everything.

Q. Was there any conversation specifically between you and Bryson about what's gone on the last couple months?

BROOKS KOEPKA: No, no.

Q. What were your thoughts on what Commissioner Monahan said the other day?

BROOKS KOEPKA: I mean, I get it. Try to be as, everybody's trying to be as respectful as you can. Between me, the fans, everybody, try to live their life like that. So I think we all can do a better job. But at the same time, it's fine.

Q. Have you noticed a deterioration in fan behavior



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toward you and other people outside the Bryson issue? Do you think it's gotten worse overall?

BROOKS KOEPKA: I haven't seen it too much. I mean, everybody's, when you're out there, you can hear everything, so everybody's been told something or said something they didn't like and, I mean, that's sports. It's not a sport if you got people cheering for you and against you. It's kind of difficult to call it a sport, isn't it?

But, yeah, I mean, I think there comes a time a place I think where you can see fan behavior get a little excessive. You kind of see it in the NBA a little bit. Maybe out here as well.

But, like I said, everybody try to be as respectful as you can be. Players, everybody, the fans, everybody could use a little bit more respect.

Q. What's been your personal approach to it? If you hear something negative, do you completely ignore it, do you ever go back and forth with people a little bit?

BROOKS KOEPKA: If I got something smart to say, I'll say it. But I mean most of the time I don't give them the time of day. I hear everything. It doesn't matter what you say, I'm so focused on what I got to do. And let's be honest, most of them wouldn't say that stuff if they were in the street right next to me, so, and I know that, but you put a rope in between us and they think it's going to protect them.

Q. You mentioned a rope. Are you worried that one day a rope won't be enough if we have a bad situation? Because you mentioned it's kind of a --

BROOKS KOEPKA: No. I just think they think of it as confidence. They're behind the rope, so they can kind of say whatever they want. But I don't, I haven't seen it where anybody's really -- I mean, yeah, you get the occasional person, but that's in every sport. Somebody running on the court. Somebody running on the field. Somebody running on the course. It happens. But somebody just trying to show off for their friends.

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