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Country Club of Jackson

Adam Hadwin

Quick Quotes

Q. 5-under today. Great way to start. What are your takeaways from your game today?

ADAM HADWIN: I played very solid golf today, kept it in the fairway, hit a lot of greens, gave myself a lot of chances, made a couple nice longer putts, just real solid tee to green the whole way.

Q. How would you characterize the course out there?

ADAM HADWIN: We had a nice cool start in the morning at 7 a.m. this morning, so it was nice to get off before some of the heat this afternoon. Golf course is in great shape. Got to keep the ball in the fairways. You just never know what you're going to get in this rough, it can sink down and you can only advance it 40, 50 yards or you can get some good lies and be able to get on the green. And then the greens themselves are pretty tough complexes as well and some of the fastest greens we'll putt on all year. So I'm happy with the start and just got to keep going.

Q. (Question about playing in Napa.)

ADAM HADWIN: I appreciate you bringing that up. Yeah, I obviously got off to a great start there as well and I was playing well and, sad to say, but I don't think I was mentally prepared to play poorly after that. I wasn't, I wasn't striking it as well in the second round as I did the first and I just don't think mentally I was prepared to handle that. So live and learn. So I feel like I'm in a much better spot now and hopefully if the same things happens tomorrow I'll be a little more apt to get through it.

Q. When you say more mentally prepared, is it the very long off-season that affected that or what was it?

ADAM HADWIN: I felt like I had a nice reset in those three weeks and I felt like I came back fresh. Sometimes when those expectations start to creep up a little bit, you have a good round to start, I think that I just thought I would be perfect the rest of the week. And when I wasn't hitting



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shots on the targets that I was seeing, I think I just the frustration just got set in too quickly and I just kind of just got behind the 8-ball a little bit and I just mentally wasn't kind of prepared to play the way I needed to get through that round and get on to the weekend. So I've learned, so I'll be ready for tomorrow.

Q. What's different from your game from 2015 until now and how has the course changed?

ADAM HADWIN: I think I'm a little bit more prepared to handle the Bermuda grass, which especially earlier in my career it's been a bit of a struggle coming from the West Coast, it's just not a grass that I understand very well and I've learned each and every year how to play certain shots and what to expect. So I've gotten better since then on how to handle that.

I haven't noticed a ton of changes to be honest, I know they put in some new tees and stuff but it's been so long I can't even remember. But again a good conditioned golf course with fast greens and you've got to put yourself on the right side and probably have a few defensive putts during the day from good shots.

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