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Pebble Beach Golf Links

Sean O'Hair

Quick Quotes



Q. 67, nice round, get some comments on another good day.

SEAN O'HAIR: Yeah, hit a couple nice putts, hit some nice shots, just kind of plugged along. I mean, I thought it played very tricky out there with the green speeds and some of the pin locations. Felt like once you were on the green I don't think there was one putt that I wasn't putting defensively. So I think you just try and start it on a line the best you can with as best speed as you can and a couple of them went in, which was nice.

But I tell you, it's just, you get a lot of three, four foot putts on that golf course and it's tough to make those out there.

Q. With it playing tricky that's a little bit different here than what it's been in the past.

SEAN O'HAIR: Yeah, I mean normally this plays kind of softer and slower, but a lot of these greens are firm and it was hard to get to some of the pin locations. And like I said, with them being as quick as they were, it just was very hard to judge the slope and the speed and so it was tricky out there.

Q. Is it like riding a bike? I mean, you get back in contention after a long time, do you remember what it feels like?

SEAN O'HAIR: Oh, yeah, yeah, I'm not worried about my ability to compete. I'm just worried about my ball striking. Because that's the only reason why I ever got on TOUR was because I was a ball-striker. So when I struggle it only has to do with that.

I have my good days putting, I have my bad days putting, you know, everything that I was playing my best golf out here on TOUR, everything that I struggled with I've improved. It's just what I had back then I don't have anymore and so I'm just trying to find that.

And the last couple days I've seen bits and pieces of it, which is nice and when you see, when I see that I get

confident and then when I'm confident I play well.

Q. Here and the last time you really felt -- I mean there's been -- people look at your record and say, oh, Sean's had a long stretch of bad play, but it's a little bit of everything with you, isn't it?

SEAN O'HAIR: Yes.

Q. Injuries?

SEAN O'HAIR: You know, raising kids is tough. I had a career-ending injury, really, but that was in 2019 and I was out for two years and that's along.

Q. Was that here?

SEAN O'HAIR: Yeah, that was here. Yeah, so that was a long time, two years to be out of the game, not playing and not competing, I mean it was hard. I think the biggest issue that I've had since I've come back is just trying to re-learn my body. Because my body doesn't move the same.

So it's a little bit of a challenge because a lot of the old feels or old thoughts that I used to work on and use just don't work anymore.

Q. Refresh my memory, what was this 2019?

SEAN O'HAIR: My oblique tore off. So they had to go in and repair it and reattach it and all that.

Q. You were the first one I ever heard of that.

SEAN O'HAIR: Yeah. A lot of guys in baseball tear their oblique, I don't know if they necessarily need surgery, but mine was, it was pretty bad and so it was a tough recovery.

Q. Now just thoughts going to Spyglass tomorrow?

SEAN O'HAIR: I think probably the toughest of the three, right? Just demands everything. It demands patience and it demands great ball striking. Once again I think it's a second-shot golf course and the par-5s are pretty tricky. If



you are going for them in two. My game plan is to kind of play those conservatively and just kind of let the birdies come to me. But hopefully just keep it in play and give myself some looks and hopefully get lucky on the greens. When I played the practice round there a few days ago the greens were just as fast as these and actually a little firmer. So I think it's probably going to be playing tough out there.

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