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Miles Russell

Quick Quotes

Q. Congratulations. Back in the quarterfinals again. Were here last year.

MILES RUSSELL: Yeah.

Q. What do you think you learned from that experience and will help you tomorrow?

MILES RUSSELL: I don't know. Maybe it's just a matter of chance at it.

Q. Yeah.

MILES RUSSELL: Maybe feel a little bit more comfortable since I've been there before. Really just try to play solid golf.

Q. You should know your opponent pretty well, Luke. You guys just had a meeting last month, I guess 21 holes, epic, in the second round.

MILES RUSSELL: Yeah. It will be a good match then.

Q. Obviously. You guys are the two highest ranked players in the WAGR in the field and now you're going to play each other.

MILES RUSSELL: I don't know. Probably be very similar to how it was in Pinehurst, but just go out and try to play my game and make some birdies.

Q. Do you get more excited when you go up against somebody of his caliber? You guys are both so talented, so high up in the ranking, people know who you are.

MILES RUSSELL: Maybe not more excited. Just it's good to play with another player that's really good. Helps to see good shots. Gives you something to aim at.

I don't know.



Q. Yesterday he had that 35-, 40-footer you made on the last hole; now here you are. Something like that maybe, somebody is looking out and saying, hey, this is my week?

MILES RUSSELL: Yeah. I mean, to do what I did yesterday definitely kind of just like boosts like maybe it happens for a reason.

But I don't know. You still got to just go play four more good rounds of golf.

Q. Played two great rounds today. Got up on your opponents early. What was different from today to yesterday?

MILES RUSSELL: I just got off to a hot start. 1 being drivable today helped. I was able to put it on the green twice and 20, 30 for eagle, that's a good way to start.

And then made a nice putt on 2 this morning. Hit a great chip on 2 this afternoon. But really just try to do the same tomorrow.

Q. And obviously momentum is so key in Match Play. Do you feel like getting up early today was a differencemaker?

MILES RUSSELL: Yeah, definitely helps. I mean, especially if you're rolling it nice and just playing well.

But first day I didn't get up early and you just have to hang around and at some point hopefully make a few birdies and change the momentum.

Q. You're from Florida so used to heat. Is this probably par for the course, huh?

MILES RUSSELL: Yeah, I like the heat better than the cold. The hotter the better. I like the heat. I like to sweat. (Laughter.)

Q. You don't want to sweat out matches though.

MILES RUSSELL: No, I do not.

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