## The 151st Open

Quick Quotes Tuesday, 18 July 2023 **Rory McIlroy** 



## Q. Talk about coming here after the win last week.

RORY McILROY: Yeah, it's certainly -- I think regardless of whether I won or not, I would have come in here confident with the way I've played over the last sort of month and a half.

My game feels like it's in good shape, but I think seeing the way I played last week and being able to control my ball in pretty difficult conditions, and I feel good about that coming into this week.

## Q. Do the memories come flooding back from 2014 to build on this week?

RORY McILROY: A little bit. Maybe not as much as you would think. Over the past nine years a lot has happened in my life and I've played a lot of golf tournaments. But yeah, there's a few things that I remember, and it's nice to get back on to the golf course and sort of refamiliarise myself with it.

## Q. What are your feelings on the course?

RORY McILROY: Yeah, it's great. It's in superb condition. It's basically how I remember it. It's a very strategic golf course off the tee. It's very, very well bunkered and you sort of have to -- that's I think the biggest challenge of this golf course, is avoiding those pot bunkers off the tee.

Just getting really comfortable with the clubs you're hitting off certain tees and whether you challenge the bunkers or not or lay back, it's a very strategic golf course, which I like. You really have to think your way around it.

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