

The 153rd Open

Mixed Zone

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Q. Great round. Did you expect something like this? Did you feel you were playing really well?

CHRISTIAAN BEZUIDENHOUT: Yeah, leading into this week, I had a decent finish last week at the Scottish Open, where I played well. Actually played a lot better, I thought. It's just hard to make putts on that golf course. Yeah, my game was in a good spot.

I've been putting a lot of work in on my swing. I've been going through some swing changes and stuff. Yeah, it's nice to see that paying off.

Q. Can I ask you about putting specifically? Is there something you do differently either to prepare or technique-wise when the greens are slow?

CHRISTIAAN BEZUIDENHOUT: Yeah, just try to adjust to the speed. I've hit a lot of putts over the first three days on the greens just to get my speed dialed. A course like this where the greens are a little bit slower, you have to adjust to the speed. You can have a lot of putts 30, 40, 50 feet that usually lag to two or three feet. The speed on the greens is crucial out there.

Q. So it's really just a matter of practising and kind of tune yourself to the speed?

CHRISTIAAN BEZUIDENHOUT: Yeah, technical-wise, there's nothing different I do. Maybe the wind, I just widen my stance a little bit.

Q. With the wind?

CHRISTIAAN BEZUIDENHOUT: Yeah. Just to get a little bit more control, so that I don't blow on the stance, but technically nothing else, yeah.

Q. What are you trying to achieve with the swing changes you're making?

CHRISTIAAN BEZUIDENHOUT: I'm just trying to become a more consistent ball striker. I'm playing specifically. In my career, I've never had the consistency in my ball striking. That's why I've seen a lot of good finishes, bad finishes, missed cuts, things like that.

I just try to eliminate face rotation through the ball mainly. It's what I've been struggling with since I was a junior golfer. I've always had a lot of face rotation through the ball. So I just try to quiet the face down. If you can do that, then you can become a better ball striker, more consistent flight and stuff. Mainly just quiet the face down so I can hit my start line better.

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