

Brian Campbell

Quick Quotes Tuesday, April 8, 2025

BRIAN CAMPBELL:

Q. (In progress.)

BRIAN CAMPBELL: We were lucky enough to come last week and play two times, no patrons here. So it's definitely got a different look today, yesterday. But I think you see where the fairways are more clearly with people out here.

Other than that, the energy is different. You start to get the nerves, but it's all good stuff.

Q. (Regarding angles and hills.)

BRIAN CAMPBELL: Yeah, I was used to those luckily because I just have been here so many times. 18 is just up a mountain. But last week seeing the course when no one was here was really nice to get out here and learn those angles, lines off tees, and stuff like that.

Q. How do you think your game -- you have all nine shots in your bag?

BRIAN CAMPBELL: Nine shots? I got 18 of them now. I feel pretty good. I feel, again, just stoked to be here. Happy with the season so far. I'm hoping we can have a good week. I trust my short game out here, trust my lines, trust what a lot of the veteran guys are saying.

I think just have fun with the course.

Q. (Regarding what he notices as he walks around.)

BRIAN CAMPBELL: Yeah, instantly just noticing Magnolia Lane a tighter than you think. Didn't get to see that when I was here at school.

And then trying to think. I mean, hitting shots on the course, yeah, 12, 13; figuring out the angles on 15; 2 can be played so many different ways. It's almost like you have too many options.

It's better to pick a few and stick to your game plan.

Q. (Regarding the history and Jack Nicklaus.)

BRIAN CAMPBELL: Oh, yeah, the history of this place is just second to none. We actually played last week Thursday and Friday and saw Jack Nicklaus out here from afar on 16 green. That just made the whole day.

We were watching him and not hitting shots.

Q. Brian, who in particular player-wise have you reached out to to help with your game plan this week? You play a different game than a Rory.

BRIAN CAMPBELL: Yeah, I like to be respectful and give all the guys their space. They're all practicing to play out here. So I reached out -- like my old roommate Jake Knapp. He played, and so got a lot of the good advice from him. My buddy Xander. Talked to him on Sunday. Just a few things on the ins and outs of where to be, where to go.

I did have a local caddie give me a lot of advice last week on the golf course in general.

But just watching over the years you see where guys play from. You see what shots they select. There is a reason they do that, it's because it's the best option.

Q. What are your thoughts on the wind you're going to get this week? Out of west every day which makes 15 play into. Is that ideal or not ideal?

BRIAN CAMPBELL: That maybe helps me more because just play a Zach Johnson week. If it's hurting on those holes for everybody, I'll just be playing it how I always play it.

Q. Greens are firm, especially the new ones. Any stand out in particular?

BRIAN CAMPBELL: 16 has obviously been redone so that one could be firm, and just the slopes and undulations are very subtle.

Really got to pay attention to those. Biggest surprise is just the roll out. You hit a 20-footer and it rolls an extra five, six, seven feet by and you're like, oh, okay. There are some teeth on this is greens.

Q. Did you watch Zach in '07?

BRIAN CAMPBELL: I watched a lot of that round, but I was pretty young. It's hard to remember. I just remember him making swings on 16, how he played 13. I remember that, but, yeah.

Q. Would you have been like 14 or so?

BRIAN CAMPBELL: I think so, yeah.

Q. '92, '93?

BRIAN CAMPBELL: '93, yeah.

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BRIAN CAMPBELL: And am I doing here. As honest as I can say. No, it's crazy. It's been a whirl wind of a year. I know what I'm capable of golf-wise. To have all this happen sooner than I thought is just a cherry on top.

Now we can put our head down and go to work and see what we can do.

Q. (Regarding being here.)

BRIAN CAMPBELL: Oh, gosh, just the way that everyone that works here treats us. It's just absolutely amazing. They're the best in the world. Shuttling us around, anything we need, food. It's just a treat.

Q. What is next for you? Go to the range?

BRIAN CAMPBELL: Go eat food with my family and then I'll probably practice on the raining and putt a lot. Maybe short game and then I'll be done for the day and figure out some stuff tomorrow.

Q. (Regarding time on the putting green.)

BRIAN CAMPBELL: Putting green today? Probably in an hour or so. Cool, I like it.

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