



Max Homa

Quick Quotes

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Q. Max, going to make the weekend. Just given where the state of your game is what does that mean?

MAX HOMA: Yeah, it's awesome. This has been just not fun at all. Yeah, I don't know. It's been decent. Like I think today and yesterday were similar to how it's been. Like make a lot of really good swings in a row and one weird one.

I was mostly just proud of -- yesterday played a brilliant first 12 holes and lost my swing, and I feel like I did a better job of like playing the game and fixing it when I'm done.

And today was a bit similar. I got off to a really good start with the swing; wasn't holing putts. Stayed patient. Made one loose swing on 9 and didn't let it freak me out.

So you're always a trying to learn and evolve. I know I'm only even and whatever, eight back, but it does feel good to not beat myself out here.

So that was nice.

Q. When you were making a golf swing like that one was a weird one, felt loose, what is feeling weird?

MAX HOMA: I have two main issues right now. They don't show up much on the range because you don't react to like -- 9 is a good example. There are trees down the left. I have to feel like I'm turning and going like -- staying in posture and going left. The problem is my brain just hasn't fully clicked in, but feels like I'm going to hit it left so I do the opposite.

And then the second issue is my club face gets open. I focused whole back nine on keeping the club face shut so if I did make a mistake, like on 17 wasn't a great swing, to answer your question feels really behind me, but went in the fairway us because the face can match.

So 9 is when both things don't happen. It's easy on the range for me. It's very hard out here. Wind, you're uncertain. The commitment is probably the most important thing for me. It's getting a lot better. I went through my round. Hit a lot more great shots than not, so just trying to keep get keeping a little bit better.

Q. You mentioned made some adjustments on the fly. What are some of those?

MAX HOMA: Keeping the flight down. Gets my face stronger. Being willing to lay a big cut when it allows itself. Those two things can help quite a bit when the opportunity presents.

Q. (Regarding cut line.)

MAX HOMA: Yeah, it was a real battle in between my ears with that. I guess a lot, but there is a benefit of this place. You don't know what it's going to be. I have a guess that it's 4 but I don't know.

So it is a fight trying not to think about it because it does you no good. I guess every I thought about it just tried to get back to where are you right now and just hit this putt.

Brian Harman talked about it when they asked him how you go about winning a golf tournament at The Open. He always said you go through all these scenarios, and it comes back to well, then I need to make a good swing right now.

So was clearly on my mind. I haven't played a weekend in a couple months. It was kind of fun to battle that.

Q. Is there a shot where you're like, all right, safe now, or never safe?

MAX HOMA: Never safe. The 7-iron I hit on 11 was so hard. As committed and like technically great and feels good and all those things, and I like let myself do that, so I think at that point it's not like I said, oh, I'm all good. We have a lot of hard holes left.

I was like, have some faith this yourself. That's been hard, too, having even an ounce of confidence. So that seemed to tick the meter up a bit. I had more fun the last eight holes.

Q. A lot of guys were looking at Rosey's 65 yesterday and were stunned by it. What does his 36 holes look like to you?

MAX HOMA: Yeah, it was great. I mean, it's kind of like when you think about just really rounded golf, like that's what it was. He obviously hit a ton of great shots. He made a lot of putts the last couple days, especially yesterday.

When he was out of position he had some really hard pitches and made them look very easy. Total package type golf for two days. I think that's why you see the scores so low. Out here I don't think you can bully it in this with. I feel like that's with he did. He was very consistent through the bag.

Like when he was out of position a chip was great, holed a lot of putts, and hit enough awesome drives and awesome shots to make a bunch of birdies.

Q. You struggled a little bit. Nick Dunlap yesterday really struggled. I'm just wondering, can you relate in any way to a mindset of when just nothing works and you're struggling? What would you tell him?

MAX HOMA: I mean, just the old adage, tough times don't last; tough people do. At the end of the day if you get out of your own head it's just one event. You can miss the cut by one and feel like garbage. It sucks. But always closer than you think type thing.

I mean, it sucks, but I think we all go through it. It's tough, but at the end of the day we play again next week. Be back to even.

Q. That up and down on 16, talk me through that one.

MAX HOMA: Yeah, it was such a weird -- I hit my irons so well the last two days, and you get on that and you have no idea where the wind is. I wish I went second. If I went second I would've committed.

Didn't think it was going to the worst spot, but I think that's the new turf because of some of the like hurricane relief stuff, and it is so firm. I couldn't really play the shot I wanted to, but left it in a good spot, yeah, that was a nice bonus.

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