



Max Homa

Quick Quotes

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Q. Feeling that everything came together here on Sunday?

MAX HOMA: I don't know. I avoided the mistakes on the front. I didn't drive it well all week on the front nine, but I think what I did a good job of was not taking that with me to the back because I drove the ball quite well on the back nine.

So I was very proud of myself for just not over-evaluating what was going on and just keep swinging and got in a nice groove there on the back.

Q. Can you talk about the eagle on 13 and birdie on 18?

MAX HOMA: Yeah, it was just in the rough and you don't get a lot of shots out of the rough here so you don't know how it's going to come out, and I hit it perfect but it was kind of diving with not a lot of spin but it was on the line. It got into a great spot. It's the easiest putt you could ask for there. That was fun.

I pulled off the drive for the most part and then hit just a beautiful iron shot.

Q. Any memories from '24 coming today to you, some of the holes, some of the shots?

MAX HOMA: Yeah, 12, that's where I'll have my biggest regret of my career most likely. So I've just played that hole a lot more aggressively and hit a beautiful one in there today.

I don't know, I feel like the last couple years I played it very passively, especially the par-5s, and it's worked fine, but this year I played them much different. I was proud of the way I -- I don't know, I guess I just believed in myself on those tee shots and just took them on.

Q. Talk about your level of satisfaction of being up there in the top 10.

MAX HOMA: Yeah, it feels high -- I would like next time to be in contention earlier, not need a miracle on Sunday.

But for not having it all and feeling like I left some out there, I'm really proud of just the golf -- my brain was so good. Yeah, it was fun.

Q. How would you explain what Mark does so well as a coach for you and Justin?

MAX HOMA: Yeah, he is so amazing, one, away from the golf course of going through your DNA and what makes you tick. It's like whatever the opposite of cookie cutter is is Mark. Just this week, we adjusted my grip, which is a very scary thing to do.

It did take a little bit of buy in from me and he's been trying to get me to do it. He said, some people can play with a weak grip, some people play with a stronger grip. He does a good job of, this is why you should do this.

Then when you're at a tournament he is so good at recognizing something small. We had a talk yesterday of hey we're going to have a longer talk Monday of Hilton Head but this is what we're going to do for the next few days.

He's great at all of it. But it's been amazing being back with him. The way we communicate, it just feels very easy, and he's so good at it.

Q. As a fellow pro, when you see someone like Justin who's playing so well into his 40s, what can you learn from that? What do you admire about that?

MAX HOMA: Yeah, I think when I was growing up, my muses were the Tigers and the Phils and those guys, Rory, Rickie, all the guys kind of before me that were top in the world. Not to say they're not, but I've definitely taken more of a liking to watching people like Adam Scott, Billy Horschel and Justin Rose. Their work ethic is incredible and they have sustained such excellence for so long and continue to.

They're very inspiring. As someone -- myself, I have never reached the mountaintop, but I plan on doing this competitively for a while. It's nice to see that it's a possibility, especially with kind of the ups and downs I've had. I've really looked to them and admired a lot of what they've done, more so in the last couple years, just looking at, again, how they continue to do this.

It's difficult. You're tired and you have a lot of scar tissue, but those three guys are amazing.

Q. Do you think there's a quality that becomes really important, kind of maybe...

MAX HOMA: Keep working. I think that's an easy thing to say but a hard thing to do. I think as you get beat down more and more, it's very easy to say I just don't want to do this today.

I think there's a big skill in showing up, and I think that's an important quality that they have. They're obviously tremendous golfers, but you go watch Adam, Justin and Billy in a gym, and it's pretty amazing, especially with all these young kids coming in. They're incredible at showing up.

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