

Hero Dubai Desert Classic

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Majlis Course at Emirates Golf Club

David Ford

Press Conference



Q. Many congratulations on a fabulous round. You're playing on an amateur invitation and taking full advantage. Sum up the day from your point of view.

DAVID FORD: It was great. I got a couple putts to fall that I didn't know were going to go in hit a lot of good iron shots. I love where the pins were set up today. I felt like a lot of them fit my eye.

Overall, solid. Definitely missed a few shots and want a few swings back but overall, felt good about it.

Q. You're obviously having a terrific amateur career, currently ranked 6th in the world and No. 1 in the university rankings. Did you expect to contend and compete with these top professionals?

DAVID FORD: I try to keep my expectations low. I know where my game is at right now and I have got a lot of people around me believing in me which is really helpful going into this week. I just tried to have fun. Just come out here and do the preparation that I do for college events and just keep everything really simple and keep having fun.

Q. You are a triplet, unusual. Does your brother play left-handed?

DAVID FORD: He plays at UNC with me, and my sister doesn't play golf. She's right-handed and my brother is right-handed as well.

Q. What are your plans going forward in terms of turning professional?

DAVID FORD: The plan right now is to turn pro in May after the National Championship. Things could change. But yeah, right now, from the outside looking in, I think just planning to turn pro in May. Until then, just play a lot of golf, hang out with the team and have a lot of fun.

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