PGA Championship

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Kurt Kitayama

Flash Quotes

KURT KITAYAMA: Overall, pretty solid. A couple loose drives that cost me, but pretty happy with where I finished up.

Q. When you were doing your practice rounds around here, did this seem like a course that you felt comfortable with or was it a little intimidating or daunting at any point?

KURT KITAYAMA: Yeah, it's just tough. I don't think anyone's really comfortable out here. You kind of find holes where you feel a little more comfortable and ones you aren't, you hit a club that you feel more likely to hit the fairway.

But yeah, you just kind of figure out. It's playing tough. I don't think anyone's really comfortable.

Q. People talked about how the rough might be chip-out rough. Seemed like a lot of guys were getting it if not to the green but certainly around the green?

KURT KITAYAMA: Yeah, I think you get these lies where it's into the grain and that's when it's really tough. It's not, I wouldn't say short, but like, you know, not long enough where sometimes it didn't go all the way to the bottom, sits like kind of middle, middle of the grass where you can still get enough club on it, and kind of -- and it's nice because they give you -- most holes give you a run-up and you can squirt 1-up there. That's been nice.

Q. Since your win at Palmer, how have you felt like your game has gone and I think making birdie at the last, is that right, to get to even par, I would think you have to be happy with being there at the beginning of the first round?

KURT KITAYAMA: Absolutely. Felt like I had a good week at Austin, but other than that, it feel like I'm searching. I'm really pleased with how today went.

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