John Deere Classic

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Ryan Moore

Quick Quotes

Q. Talk about your experience and making it to the Playoffs.

RYAN MOORE: Well, I wish this would lock that up. I don't think it will lock it up for me at this point. I have a lot of points I've got to earn to get up there, but this is definitely a step in the right direction and helping.

I have a handful of weeks left. Obviously I'm going to try as hard as I can, and to see my game trending like this I think I've got a great chance of getting it done the next few weeks.

Q. What's your schedule looking forward?

RYAN MOORE: As of now the plan is to play 3M, Reno, and Greensboro.

Q. (Regarding British Open Championship.)

RYAN MOORE: Yeah, I need to go talk to my wife about that, but she's going to tell me to go. We've had a family trip planned for next week basically for the last few months, and at this point in time in my career I've played a lot of golf tournaments. I don't want to bail on a trip like that.

It was good to see my body feel good and feel good throughout the entire week, but flying on a plane for 10 hours, a lot cooler weather, it's unpredictable how I might feel. So I might have to weigh those things and figure it out with her, but I would say at this point I'm going to commit to going with my family.

Q. (Indiscernible).

RYAN MOORE: I think it had a lot to do with it, honestly. Just showing up to a place like this that I know I've had success. I think I get to show up to some places feeling like I need to do something different, I need to do something better than what I'm doing it, and here I feel like I kind of just relax and know that I can go shoot a golf score playing exactly how I play golf.





So I tried to own that this week and just commit to playing how I know how to play golf, and not try and force anything. Just try and set up to golf shots the way it felt comfortable. Not thinking about my swing as much. Just settle into it, feel comfortable, and hit a shot.

Same thing with putting. To see myself hitting good putts coming down the stretch, making a good putt there on 17 when I know it was an important putt for me to make just to stay up on the leaderboard and hopefully sneak out a second or tie for second or third or something like that.

It was nice to hit some good putts on 16, 17, and even 18. Just left it short right in the middle. It was a lot of positives and I'm excited. I love the three events I have the remainder of the season. I love those events, and they're good events for me. It'll get me excited and ready to go play.

Q. At some point did you look at the leaderboard and assess your chances?

RYAN MOORE: Oh, yeah. I was paying attention all day. I'm not a guy that tries to ignore that. It's nice to know sometimes what you've got to do. I saw Lucas was making a little run there on the back and making some birdies, and it kind of makes you, All right, I can't be shying away from the pins right now. I need to make birdies.

Just tried to commit to that, and I birdied one out of the last few holes. I missed a good opportunity on 14 to make a birdie, but overall I'm happy with my game. I'm happy with this week. I haven't had a week like this in a while, so to feel comfortable after not really playing like this for over a year, I felt very comfortable in the moment and just felt like myself.

Q. Nice to see Lucas get one for the old guys?

RYAN MOORE: He's doing fine. I wasn't too worried about that. But it's great. He played some great golf obviously today to shoot that score. Conditions weren't ideal. The wind was kind of all over the place. It obviously was raining on us for a good while. It was not easy to go shoot that score today, and he did.

Q. What goes through your mind when you think about the shelf life of health out here?

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RYAN MOORE: Yeah, that's something I really haven't thought about until the last couple years, and hitting my mid-30s things just don't quite feel the same. Someone put it to me recently, it's not age, it's miles at this point. You put a lot of miles on your body, whether it's traveling or playing tournaments and all this stuff.

At some point your body is going to tell you no, it doesn't want to do it anymore. Fortunately it's been nothing too serious. They've been things I can take a little time off and get over, but it's also you don't bounce back after four or five days of rest, it takes a couple weeks now to kind of get back to feeling good.

It's hard to be patient with that at times, but to go out and have a week like this and kind of feel -- honestly it's probably the best my body has felt all week, especially on a Sunday. It actually felt the best it almost felt all week today, so that's a huge positive.

That means I'm moving better and doing the right things to keep myself moving forward.

Q. (Indiscernible.)

RYAN MOORE: You know, it's hard for me. There's just a few too many variables there. Just again with my body did feel good this week, but it's a long flight. It's a long week. It's hard, tough, cold conditions. That makes me a little nervous just forcing it.

So it did feel good this week. Having a little bit of rest next so I can really push it those last three or four weeks, in my opinion, gives me the best chance of getting into the Playoffs at this point.

That's probably going to be the decision. I would love to have known a month ago I was in it. Then absolutely I'd go there. But coming here, I had my plans made, and knowing you have to finish second basically to get in there, it's hard to plan around that.

Obviously I'm thrilled I did. It's awesome they extend that, you know, that spot for a person in this tournament. But for me in my position this year I just don't think I'll be able to take it.

Q. Do you leave here with mixed emotions? Any disappointment in the end, or is there satisfaction knowing you finished second?

RYAN MOORE: No, there's no disappointment with the way things have been. This is just nothing but positive this week. I was right there, and just unfortunate bad tee shot

there on 9, got out of position. And then kind of pulled my shot on 12 -- I hit a really good solid shot, just pulled it a little bit. Thought the wind would move it; it didn't. Got in a tough spot there.

Really just came down to just made a couple bogeys that kind of cost me.

Q. Did you feel like it was the tee shot on 9?

RYAN MOORE: No, I don't think that was it at all. I had a great opportunity on 10, made a birdie on 11, another good opportunity on 13, another good opportunity -- I had plenty of opportunities and I was hitting good putts. That's all I can do. That's all I can ask for.

Today they just didn't quite go in. And like I said, made a couple bogeys maybe I should or shouldn't have.

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