

John Deere Classic

Wednesday, June 29, 2022

TPC Deere Run

Silvis, Illinois, USA

Lucas Glover

Press Conference

THE MODERATOR: We would like to welcome the defending champion, Lucas Glover to the interview room here at the John Deere Classic. Lucas, welcome back. What's it like as you're entering and seeing your face all over the signage?

LUCAS GLOVER: Scary. I've apologized to everybody for having to see that on their way in and out of the course every day. But, no, it's good. They have done a very nice job of welcoming me and us back and wouldn't expect anything else here. They do such a great job. That's just what you would expect here. Class event, class community and very grateful to be the defending champ here.

THE MODERATOR: As you're walking around are there any specific memories that are coming back from the win last year?

LUCAS GLOVER: Yeah, just playing well, making a bunch of good swings and some pretty clutch putts coming down the stretch.

Played the back nine yesterday and made a bunch more birdies and I said, Well, this, maybe this is my nine holes or something, I don't know, I couldn't really figure it out. But just a sense of calm out there when you've done well and have some experience and success at a course or a hole or a tournament.

So, yeah, just kind of brought back those memories of just executing and playing well.

THE MODERATOR: Celebrating Clair's final year here as tournament director. Can you speak to the significance of the importance he's played here for the tournament.

LUCAS GLOVER: Yeah, Clair's unbelievable. Done a great job and everybody knows him, everybody loves him and he will be missed. But the tournament's in good hands. Through his success and personality and just the way he carries himself, he's got a heck of a staff that he's assembled and they won't miss a beat. But he will be



JOHN DEERE
CLASSIC



missed.

THE MODERATOR: With last year's win entering back in the winner's circle what confidence did you gain with your game?

LUCAS GLOVER: Not much. I haven't played very well since. But -- no (laughing). Just same thing I said last year. Just after a 10-year drought for winning, just believing I could do it and that it was still in there and still capable.

THE MODERATOR: Questions, please?

Q. In terms of scheduling, how much does who you play, who runs a tournament, in terms of Clair in this case, what does that have to do with your scheduling, say, compared to the quality of the course, places where you played well before and does it have an impact at all?

LUCAS GLOVER: Yeah, of course. I got a start here in 2002 with no status on TOUR and I haven't played here every year I've been out, but most of them. And that plays a big part of it. There's a loyalty factor there for sure.

Q. You talked on the phone a minute ago about a setup change, something you had been working on. If you could just kind of open that up a little bit and tell us what you've been working on and what you're feeling good about.

LUCAS GLOVER: Yeah, no, it was just having trouble hitting my shot, my shot shape, which is a draw. Found out just in my setup my weight was way too far in my heels. Trying to get it more in the middle of my feet to enable the rest of my body to do what it's supposed to do. I know that's kind of technical -- it is for me anyway -- so a little different. I feel like I'm leaning almost over the ball.

So last week was the first week taking it into competition and it was good to make the cut and nice to get some reps, but definitely was different.

Q. Unrelated. I've known you for a long time, I've never known you as one to get rattled by much. Anything bug you, anything get under your skin?

ASAP sports . . . when all is said, we're done.®

LUCAS GLOVER: People that don't take the shopping cart back. That bugs me.

Q. You touched on your 10-year drought and then you came here and you won again. You kind of jokingly said you haven't played well since then. What confidence does it give you being back here and what are you trying to prove and accomplish this weekend?

LUCAS GLOVER: Defend. Same thing. Every week. Wednesday afternoon everybody's tied at zero. So everybody in the field sets out to win. Just because I did it last year doesn't mean I'm entitled to anything or I'm one ahead or one behind or anything like that starting tomorrow, because everybody's tied.

So just want to keep working on what I'm working on, but at the same time able to channel some of those good vibes from last year. Saw the ball go in the hole a bunch and I love the greens here. So anything, any time you've had success you can draw on it. But at the same time I still have to execute and like I said, nobody's entitled to anything as of today.

THE MODERATOR: All right, we'll wrap things up. Thank you for joining us and we wish you the best of luck this week.

LUCAS GLOVER: Thank y'all.

FastScripts by ASAP Sports