

John Deere Classic

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TPC Deere Run

Silvis, Illinois, USA

Jackson Koivun

Quick Quotes

Q. Jackson, first professional debut. Congrats. How would you assess your round after today?

JACKSON KOIVUN: Yeah, it was definitely a little tough start. Never really got too settled into the round. Golf swing was a little off, but just kind of looking forward to tomorrow and go out there and put out a good score.

Q. You said yesterday you were hoping to experience butterflies on the first tee this morning. Were they there?

JACKSON KOIVUN: Oh, for sure. I didn't really expect to feel that nervous off the first, but I definitely felt it. Kind of hit it a little left and made a good par, but just didn't really have my A-game today.

Q. Was there any intimidation factor with that grouping at all?

JACKSON KOIVUN: Not really. They're both great guys. I know Ben and Jordan a little bit. We had a good time out there. I was able to chat and kind of enjoy being in Moline. I wouldn't say I was too intimidated.

Q. This can be the first of many rounds for you. How do you put this one aside, get ready to go on Friday?

JACKSON KOIVUN: Yeah, I'll just go get some food, do a mental reset, go work on some things on the range with my coach, and just be ready to go out there firing tomorrow.

Q. Were there any major issues, or was it just more nerves and uncomfortability on the course?

JACKSON KOIVUN: I was just off today. At the end of the day, not every round you play is going to be perfect. Like I said, it's kind of unfortunate I was off today, but there's no reason I can't go out there and play good tomorrow.

Q. Excited for another chance to tomorrow? That's the beauty of this game. You get to come out tomorrow and do it all over again. Are you excited for



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that opportunity?

JACKSON KOIVUN: Very excited. I know I can play well at this course. I just need to piece a few things together and just get the putter rolling and hopefully can go shoot 8-under or 9-under tomorrow.

Q. Does having gone low in the second round last year kind of help your mind frame somewhat?

JACKSON KOIVUN: A little bit. Just kind of shows that I can do it out here and just trying to take a little bit of that confidence and just apply it to tomorrow.

Q. Can you talk about your pairing, and have you played with Jordan before?

JACKSON KOIVUN: I've played with both of them before. They're great guys, and just happy to be a part of that group, yeah.

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