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Q. Do you feel like you kind of needed a week like last week to kind of get the juices flowing a little bit and get motivated moving forward?

ADAM SCOTT: Yeah, absolutely. I felt like my game has been turning the corner really since around June but the results haven't. I mean, that's how it goes sometimes, but it's hard to balance the frustration and continue to be patient. You can't be patient forever. That's no good. So it was really good that finally on a weekend I shot some good numbers.

That was a good feeling, and the confidence in the swing was there over the weekend, and that has been the difference really.

Q. Speaking of balancing frustration, was there more encouragement or disappointment after last week?

ADAM SCOTT: Probably encouragement really. I'm very disappointed I didn't win that tournament. I gave myself about as good a chance as you could possibly have, and I do pride myself on the fact that I really -- there haven't been many putts to win a tournament that I haven't made when I've had that chance, and that's a pretty short one to miss. So I mean, a little embarrassing.

I've really struggled to get my game in the shape to contend at that level out here this year, and finally it was feeling that way. Importantly, I wanted to bring it here this week, and so far I have. So that outweighs the disappointment, the encouragement of where tee to green I feel like I'm going is really good. But I'm running out of weeks to put that to use, so I'd better play well.

Q. Did you dwell on that putt at all?

ADAM SCOTT: No, I had to move on. I'm fairly honest with my assessment of things. I read it inside left. I felt like I hit a good putt that went over the left side of the hole. I aimed it left. Maybe it went left, I don't know. I'm not going to break down my entire routine in putting where I've done really well this year.



The ironic thing is I've been putting great this year and then I miss a putt like that. No, it sucks not to win when you have a chance because it seems like they've been few and far between for me, but I know I can lift myself up again hopefully this week. If not, hopefully I get another go next week and win one of these things while I'm playing well.

Q. It was quite a long wait with six guys before you got to hit that putt, a lot going on, a couple of guys chipping. Just wondered if that had any influence.

ADAM SCOTT: It could have. I mean, look, there are no excuses, but yeah, there was a lot of stuff going on. A lot of guys holed out for 4 before I'd even hit my 3rd. There was a lot of stuff going on around the hole there, and I don't know how long it was before I actually hit a putt because I didn't hit any warming up before the playoff. So it might have been an hour. My routine doesn't even have a practice swing, so I really didn't even make a move. So, yeah, that's all my fault.

Yeah, it was an odd a situation. I thought sometimes why don't they put seven or eight guys in a group if there's a playoff? Then I realize why. It's mayhem out there with six guys on the hole. Six is maybe the max.

Q. Do you know what you need to do this week? Have you looked?

ADAM SCOTT: No, I haven't. I'm sure I'll find out eventually. It's impossible to ignore all the boards and stuff. Today was a really good day. I've not been starting tournaments well this year. I played really well at the Wyndham, and I'd like to put three more together like that, and I think I'll be right there.

Q. Do you pull more from your two stroke play events here, which you had great success in, or the Presidents Cup? Which one of those things do you think of when you come back here?

ADAM SCOTT: When I come back here? I think of winning in '13 for sure. That was a big win to win a playoff event is a big deal. I think Justin Rose and Tiger might have finished second. There were a bunch of guys right in the hunt, and I think I backdoored the win, but still I managed to sneak in there, and it was a good win.

. . . when all is said, we're done."

I feel like I've played plenty of good golf around here. Most of the holes, I feel really comfortable on. It's a course I'm very happy to come back to.

Q. You're a pretty even keel guy. Do you punch a wall? Do you get angry? What did you do after that? How long did it really take you to get over missing that putt?

ADAM SCOTT: Yeah, it's a weird one. Because I had been so frustrated with where my game had been sitting for most of the year, there was a really high level of satisfaction of just playing well on the weekend, and honestly, until the playoff, I had no expectation to win that tournament at all, and then I really put my mind into winning it.

It's probably the least upset I've been to not win a tournament -- or to lose a tournament, if you want to say that, because I just feel like it's been such a grind and I am pleased to somewhat feel like myself on the golf course again. So I wasn't punching anything this time.

Q. After the playoff, do you have an idea of your schedule for the fall at all?

ADAM SCOTT: It's tough to know for sure, but I'd like to play if I'm playing well. I feel like I've spent a year not playing well. So if I'm going to play well, I'd like to do it out here on TOUR and make the most of it. Maybe I can play in Vegas. There's a couple of weeks in a row there, and Japan is probably likely for me. Even Houston and RSM, if I can somehow manage to convince my family that I should go and do that and then take a break. I'd like to keep playing if I'm playing well.

Q. Is it easy to go back to Switzerland but not easy to go to Australia? Is that the situation?

ADAM SCOTT: Yeah, going home to Switzerland is fine at the moment.

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