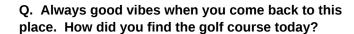
#### Sony Open in Hawaii

Thursday, January 14, 2021 Honolulu, Hawaii, USA Waialae Country Club

#### **Patton Kizzire**

**Quick Quotes** 



PATTON KIZZIRE: The golf course is fantastic. It's in about as good of shape as I've ever seen it. I certainly do have good vibes here. When I get here, it just feels good, and today was a good start.

# Q. What do you like most about it in this condition, and how do you expect this golf course to evolve over the next couple days?

PATTON KIZZIRE: It's pretty firm in the fairways. I imagine it will continue to get firmer as long as we don't get any rain.

I love the bermuda greens. I like the position-style golf course. There's some risk-reward out there that I enjoy and it's all in all, a fun golf course.

#### Q. Best thing about today that you can take forward to tomorrow?

PATTON KIZZIRE: I feel comfortable. I'm not trying too hard which I have a tendency to do, and it felt good to freewheel it and have fun and play with two good guys. I play a lot of golf with J.T. Poston at home, so it was good to see that pairing. Look forward to tomorrow.

#### Q. What was working so well out there for you today?

PATTON KIZZIRE: Just I had good misses. Feel comfortable. I'm hitting the ball pretty well. Certainly didn't putt my best but I think it was nice to roll in a putt off the green for eagle. I left some opportunities out there, but it was a fun day and had a good group and looking forward to getting back out there tomorrow.

#### Q. Why do you feel so comfortable on this golf course?

PATTON KIZZIRE: The bermudagrass, the style of golf course, I've just enjoyed a position-style Country Club,



risk/reward style golf course with bermuda greens, and this is what we have here.

### Q. Where do you feel your game is as we are now into the 2021 portion of the season?

PATTON KIZZIRE: It's rounding into pretty good form. I feel like I have brought in a little momentum from late fall. I had a few good finishes and I've done a lot of good work with my coach, Justin Parsons, and feel like things are starting to make sense and I'm not having to try too hard. It been a lot more fun.

#### Q. How long have you worked with Justin for?

PATTON KIZZIRE: It's been about a year and a half. It's been great. It's taken me a while to grasp and make changes. I'm a pretty stubborn guy. I don't like to change. But it's been fun to develop and he's been great, and looking forward to seeing some more birdies.

### Q. What's the biggest change that you feel like you've made in your swing with him?

PATTON KIZZIRE: Gosh, I don't even know where to begin. We're just trying to have -- get myself in a good position in my backswing in order to hit the ball and get on to the ball. I've certainly done a lot of work in the gym with Randy Myers. We've tag-teamed; Justin and Randy have helped me a lot, and I'm seeing good results and having fun.

## Q. Does it help playing with a good friend, J.T. Poston out there today?

PATTON KIZZIRE: Yeah, Postman and I, we feed off each other a lot. We play a lot of practice rounds together and play back home. There seems to be a lot of birdies when we get together.

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