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Jon Rahm

Quick Quotes

Q. Now that you've made it through, I don't know that your mindset changed for the first three days, but just going into the straight knockout stages is it still the same thing?

JON RAHM: Still trying to win. It's the same thing. Nothing changes.

Q. Does it make it easier?

JON RAHM: It doesn't make it any different in my mind. Yeah, I mean, you've just got to go and win it. It's not easier or harder. It's the exact same, at least in my mind.

Q. When you look at confidence for your game, and I think we asked you about this earlier in the week, that because these are microcosms they feel like each little one is a tournament, can you build as you play maybe more than you would on normal week?

JON RAHM: I feel like you guys are looking too much into this. It's match play. You do a lot of things based on what your opponent is doing, so you can't classify it or at least, let's say, make conclusions out of it like you would in a regular event just because the mindset is completely different. The best example is when you have a putt to tie the hole, there's zero consequence if you miss it except you lose the hole. If you have four, five, six feet coming back, it doesn't matter. A lot of times you'll see people hit five-, six-footers down the hill with a really firm pace to minimize the break that if they weren't in they would easily go 10 feet by. You wouldn't do that at a regular event.

So there's too many situations like that, or if you're down heavy going for broke on every single hole. It's just hard, but if you're playing solid golf I guess you can be comfortable with and let's say happy with what you're doing. But it's so -- it's based so much on the circumstances that it's hard to make it exactly like a stroke-play event, but obviously you can get a ton of confidence.



Q. Was there a situation or moment today that maybe you played a shot that you wouldn't have played in a stroke-play event?

JON RAHM: Not really. Not today.

Q. For the first three days?

JON RAHM: No, not really. It hasn't happened. Not that I can think of, no. The putt on -- I'll say the putt on 13, I hit that with a lot more pace than I would in a regular event just because I knew I had to make it to tie the hole. But that's about it.

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