

Cognizant Classic

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PGA National Champion Course

Taylor Montgomery

Quick Quotes

Q. Recovered well there towards the end. Just assess the day and how it went for you.

TAYLOR MONTGOMERY: Yeah, been playing good. I've been struggling with right pins pretty much my whole life. I'm not a very good fader of the ball. I typically fade it, but I try to -- it feels like a draw to me. Obviously trying to fade it there on 15, and just -- you let your mind up in this game for one second, and it can bite you.

Shoulders start getting laid open when I'm trying to fade it, and it started to do that later in the day, got a little steep, and hopefully bounce back tomorrow.

Q. You bounced back with a couple birdies coming in. How important was it to just be able to do that and kind of put that behind you?

TAYLOR MONTGOMERY: Yeah, it was good. Hit a couple good iron shots on 16 and 17. My game has always been a roller coaster, so it's nothing new to me. I've done some of the best things that I've seen and some of the worst. It's just how I play golf.

Q. How are the shoulders feeling?

TAYLOR MONTGOMERY: They've been a lot better. Every once in a while there's some tightness but nothing like last year, which is good. Left shoulder is still not as strong as my right, but it doesn't affect my golf. It hasn't all year, which is really nice.

Q. Even going back to the fall, when do you feel like you really kind of turned a corner?

TAYLOR MONTGOMERY: Yeah, even the fall was good with the golf, which was nice. I just wasn't playing very good.

Q. The speed has come back for you?

TAYLOR MONTGOMERY: A little bit, yeah. Definitely more than what it was. I would say probably a couple



miles an hour. Then hopefully the stronger that I can get, the more speed that I can start to gain.

Q. Did you notice any different in the wind today as opposed to the first two days?

TAYLOR MONTGOMERY: Yeah, it was pretty much opposite of what it was the first couple days. I faced some different shots out there, but you've got to be able to adjust and play in this game.

Q. What are the feelings just being back in contention, being right up in there? You've obviously had a tough year last year, so to put yourself back in that position, is it exciting, nerve-racking? Where is your mind at?

TAYLOR MONTGOMERY: Yeah, it feels great. But you kind of -- I kind of know how I'm going to play before I come to an event. Last year was no fun. Was hitting it terrible. It just wasn't a fun year.

This year is completely different. I've been feeling really good. I just haven't been playing as well as I've been feeling. But I've been hoping the way I've been playing back home, stuff will kind of come out here and start to happen week to week.

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