

Valspar Championship

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Palm Harbor, Florida, USA

Innisbrook Resort (Copperhead)

Matt Fitzpatrick

Quick Quotes

Q. Not how you wanted to finish the day, but how would you assess the past two rounds?

MATT FITZPATRICK: Yeah, played well. Just not had any breaks. Two bogeys there on the back nine. Missed the fairway on 6 by six inches and got a flier when it didn't look like a flier. Then on the last there, same thing. Literally somehow it just bounced left up the slope. Missed the fairway by six inches again. And in the semi rough there and got a flier. So nothing I can do about that. Can't really control it. But feel like been playing well, didn't feel like it was too stressful out there. So hopefully some luck on the weekend.

Q. You mentioned earlier this week feeling a little bit slow or tired after the big week at THE PLAYERS. Are you still feeling that right now or do you feel like you're pretty recovered and good to go?

MATT FITZPATRICK: No, just frustrated right now. Just really annoyed that -- I felt like I deserved more out of the round. Yeah, just had those pieces of bad luck to sort of end the round on a sour note, really.

Q. What are you going to work on today for the weekend?

MATT FITZPATRICK: I'll just go hit some and then just do some putting and that will be it. Won't be too much.

Q. Can you talk a little bit about your course history here and how comfortable you feel playing this course?

MATT FITZPATRICK: Yeah, I love this golf course. I think it's a great challenge. You got to play well tee to green. I always think it's always setup really well. The times I haven't played it is necessarily just hasn't fit my schedule what I feel is best for me. So obviously nice to be back this year.

Q. Are there any elements or swing thoughts that you found last week that you're continuing to take into this



week?

MATT FITZPATRICK: Yeah, just the same stuff I've been working on all year, really. Just more retraction in my approach play in my shoulders and that's about it really.

Q. Are you one who ever goes to Augusta before tournament week?

MATT FITZPATRICK: No, I don't have time (laughing). I don't know how guys find time. But I don't have time, yeah.

Q. So do you have anything between this and then?

MATT FITZPATRICK: I have two weeks off, but I got a few things going on that I need to figure out off the course. Yeah, obviously you go up there, it takes a day and a half and two days and being away for three weeks already. I played the golf course 50 times now, so I feel like I know what it's about.

Q. So you just get there like on the Monday and just do what you would on any major week, right?

MATT FITZPATRICK: Yeah, basically.

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