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Casey Jarvis

Press Conference

THE MODERATOR: Casey Jarvis, welcome to the ONEflight Myrtle Beach Classic. This is your first start your start. You're a sponsor exemption here. What are your first impressions of the golf course here at The Dunes?

CASEY JARVIS: I was truly shocked. The golf course is absolutely fantastic. I knew coming here to the golf capital of the world, I was excited to play here. Yeah, I mean, the golf course the last couple of days has been truly immaculate.

Q. You have never been to Myrtle Beach I'm guessing. You're new in America. Just kind of trying to get to know you. You played at the Zurich Classic a couple of weeks ago. What's the experience been like for you in the United States so far?

CASEY JARVIS: Yeah, I mean, I'm really enjoying it. All the golf courses I've played over here have been absolutely phenomenal. A lot different to where I was born, so I've had to get used to a lot of it, but yeah, I'm really enjoying it. Enjoying the people. I'm just enjoying the country in general. The cultures are not too different to back home. So, yeah, it's a lot of fun.

Q. You've had a great start of the season. You're South African. You have won twice in a couple of weeks there. What was that experience like for you early in the year?

CASEY JARVIS: Yeah, I mean, to obviously start off the season the way I did, didn't have a great season last season, so the expectations were not too high. Then just to go back-to-back was pretty special. Definitely wasn't expecting it, but got a lot of confidence out of it. Yeah, hopefully PGA TOUR next year.

Q. Just tell us ant about your background. You had a pretty outstanding amateur career. Growing up in South Africa, did you play other sports? When did you start to focus on golf?

CASEY JARVIS: My dad introduced me to the game pretty

much when I was young. I did play a bit of soccer growing up, but you know, at a top level you either have to choose one sport, so I chose golf. It worked out pretty well.

Yeah, back home we have such a good amateur foundation back there that it really helps us a lot. We get to travel to Europe and all these different places. I think the name of it is GolfRSA, which really helped me growing up. It made me get the experience.

So, yeah, I mean, golf has been pretty much my whole life to this point.

Q. What made you choose golf instead of maybe soccer?

CASEY JARVIS: I think my dad played a big role in that decision. I mean, soccer, I was good at it, but I don't think I'm as good at soccer as I am at golf.

Q. You already played the Masters. How was that experience?

CASEY JARVIS: I don't think words can describe how good it was there. First -- well, second major, but first Masters. It was phenomenal. Everything there was just perfect. Golf course was spectacular. I think the whole week was just -- yeah, there's no words that can describe it.

Q. You said it was your second major. The first one was the U.S. Open. Next week you have the PGA Championship, which you're eligible and already in. Then also you've got the Open coming up. You are going to have all four of them in your pocket. What does that feel like to be able to say that you played in all four majors?

CASEY JARVIS: Starting the year, I never thought I would be at the Masters or playing the Open or the PGA. So to be standing in this position today being able to play all four majors, it's a dream of mine since I was young. You watch all the best players in the world playing the majors on TV, so I think it's really a dream come true.

Q. You're No. 72 in the Official World Golf Ranking. When you crept into that first top 100 for the first time,

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was it like a, wow, this is an amazing moment, or how does that feel?

CASEY JARVIS: 100%. I think I got to 69 at a stage, and I actually thought to myself, wow, there's only 68 players better than me in this world. That's actually crazy.

It's a position, again, like I said, I didn't think I would be in, but then thinking about it, I had a couple of weeks off after the wins, after rising up the world rankings, and I truly got to reflect on everything. I mean, it's just I'm so grateful for the opportunity I have.

Q. Looking ahead, the Presidents Cup is four and a half months away, I guess. Is that something that's been on your mind? Is that a goal for you to maybe make the international team and play in that event?

CASEY JARVIS: For sure. I know Geoff is a captain. He's a lovely guy. I think that has got to be the goal now. It wasn't the goal a couple of months ago, but I'm definitely working towards that.

Q. Apparently you shot 59 when you were 19, and you're the youngest person to have ever done that. What was that like that round that you were out on the golf course sort of with the opportunity to do that and then finally achieving it?

CASEY JARVIS: Yeah, obviously golf, not everything goes your way every time. I think everything went my way that day. I made every putt I looked at. I hit it exactly where I was trying to hit it.

Yeah, it was a pretty easy par-5 down the last. I was so nervous standing on the tee box, because I just needed to par it to shoot 59, so I wasn't thinking of birdie (laughing). I was just thinking about getting par.

Then when I did it, it was pretty special. I wish it was in the final round, but it was in the third round, so I didn't end up winning the tournament. Yeah, I mean, it was truly remarkable.

Q. Do you draw on experiences like that when you've been in that situation and you've done it, when are you in contention in a tournament? Does that come back to you at all when you are out on the golf course or not really?

CASEY JARVIS: I wouldn't say so. I think the pressure of shooting 59 and winning a golf tournament, I think it's a lot different. Yeah, I mean, it doesn't play, I don't think.

Q. What are your ultimate goals here? Do you want to

end up playing on the PGA TOUR?

CASEY JARVIS: Yeah, that's the goal. PGA TOUR is a dream of mine. I would absolutely love to play here. I just love America in general and would love to move over here, start a family here. I think it's definitely the big goal.

Q. When you were growing up in South Africa, there's a boatload of really good South African players. Is there one that stood out to you as a bit of an idol for you that you kind of followed and wanted to watch?

CASEY JARVIS: Yes, for sure. There are so many. Ernie Els, Charl Schwartzel. I got to play with Charl a couple of practice rounds at the Masters. I remember watching him win there. I don't know what year it was, but he won at Augusta. I got to play a few practice rounds with him and pick his brain a bit.

I think I had a few growing up. To get to play with him is remarkable.

Q. Similar to Mark's question, now that you're making major starts, have there been players you've reached out to for advice or that have kind of taken on that mentor role towards you?

CASEY JARVIS: Honestly, not really. I think, like I said, I played with Charl at the Masters. I got to pick his brain a bit and ask him a few questions, but I haven't really reached out to any players. I'm sure when I get on the PGA TOUR, I'll ask guys a few questions.

Q. Of those a little less familiar with your game, where is your strong suit? Is it off the tee, putting, short game? What would you say?

CASEY JARVIS: So I haven't been the best putter over the last couple of years, and this season it's been really good. I think I'm top-5 on the DP World Tour. So I say putting is a strong point at this point. My iron play is really good. I've known to be a good iron player, yeah.

Q. When you won that first event in Kenya and then went to the next event and won that too, what was that second week like having come off a victory and dealing with a lot of the things that go with victory? How did you manage that and then manage to go on and win the second week? That doesn't happen that often.

CASEY JARVIS: I got interviewed before the week what are your expectations this week for the second week and honestly said I don't have many expectations. I'm just trying to -- I've just won last week. I don't want to think

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ahead, you know. I'm just trying to process a win.

I didn't have any expectations. After three days I found myself in the lead, and obviously everything changes. The confidence is high coming off a win, so I think it only changed after three rounds, but the whole week I didn't have many expectations.

Q. Expectations are amazing. How do you get into that zone of finding that perfect sweet spot to manage to play like that without those expectations?

CASEY JARVIS: Yeah, I mean, it's hard to not get the expectations up. Especially for me coming over to the States, trying to play well in the Masters, I think my expectations have been pretty high for over here because I have been playing good golf. So I've really tried to manage it. I managed it well at Zurich. I seem to be managing it well this week. I'm not expecting too much. My game is in a good place, but yeah, it's pretty hard to manage it.

Q. What's your favorite food in America with things that you look for?

CASEY JARVIS: I really like the meat. I'm a big meat guy in South Africa, so I wasn't expecting it to be better, but I would definitely say it's a lot better.

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