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III Davis Love Dru Love

Press Conference

Q. Today you finished second, and you played a great round, and really kept it competitive out there. Talk us through the round and what went well for you?

DAVIS LOVE III: Well, I told Dru after the turn, don't look at the leaderboards because I knew we had to do something spectacular to catch up with those guys. But then I snuck a peak about midway through and I'm like, well, looks like we're playing for second.

But Dru hung in there, made a lot of putts and kept us going and it's just hard to imagine that you've got to shoot in the 30s to win. We shot, what, 17-under one year on Sunday.

But two kind of record-breaking rounds in a row from those guys, and just hard to beat that but we played good. We stayed in there and we made a lot of birdies, and got in trouble a few times off the tee, both of us didn't drive it great week, but we hung in there.

Q. So since the last time you guys have played, as you mentioned, it's become more competitive. How do you approach this event again when you play with how competitive it's become?

DAVIS LOVE III: Well, I never thought I would say this about him but we both have to hit it farther, I guess to compete with those guys. They are college kids that are hitting it a long way and obviously Matt's still very competitive.

So it's tough, and I said it yesterday, it's supposed to come out and be a fun family event but you'd better birdie every hole or you're going to lose. It's very competitive and a lot of fun, and you don't want it to be boring. You want it to be lots of birdies like this. It was an exciting day.

Q. Did you have a moment where you looked at your family and all the support and took it all in?



DAVIS LOVE III: Yeah, our granddaughters, my daughter-in-law, all out there watching, trying to make it 18 holes, the little ones were struggling. It was fun. I said it a lot this week, it's a new generation of our families. We've had different times in this tournament, when he had it when Dru was little and when he's pretty big and now everybody is grown up and in the next generation. It's nice to be back.

Q. How special to be back playing with your dad and do what you guys did out there this week?

DRU LOVE: It's always a tried to come play this tournament and be inside the ropes and compete with him and watch how real pros do it, him and Strick, the way they approach the game, it's great to see from up close and it's great for me to be back out playing competitive golf.

Like my dad says, everything changes a little bit when you put a pencil in your pocket. A few tee shots I didn't even come close on, a little bit of nerves, a little quick and a little rusty. And next year we'll come back with a little more driver, practice and if we get invited back, we'll be ready to go.

Q. What do you think is one memory you'll take from this week?

DAVIS LOVE III: Well, I'm going to remember Dru's putting because he putted just really, really well. I made a couple long putts the first day but I really didn't have to putt. I was joking to Strick, I putted the one on 17 beforehand to show him the line and he made it. I said, Only reason I putted was showing him the line. He's filling it up. It was fun watching him putt. I just have to free it up a little on the greens when I go out and play.

DRU LOVE: What's the question?

DAVIS LOVE III: Your one takeaway.

DRU LOVE: Just the little nieces running around, hook a tee shot into the palmettos and turn around and your nieces are saying "good job," makes you feel a lot better. Nothing is too serious when where you are unanimous is around and brings you back to earth. Having them hold onto my pockets when I'm walking inside the ropes is the best

... when all is said, we're done.

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Q. When you won years ago, how much of an advantage did you feel you had because you have such great power?

DAVIS LOVE III: If I remember right, we were playing on the same tees. Both of us were playing the same tees back then and pretty much everyone was playing the same tees. We did have a little bit of an advantage. That's why I was saying, we've got to get something out and get a little bit more farther down the fairway next time.

But I didn't drive it very far, and Dru today missed a few fairways. But it would have been maybe two or three more birdies, if we'd have done everything just right today and then still wouldn't have won.

But you know, I felt like back then, we were a pretty good team.

Q. Maybe from an overall standpoint, how much in your seven years of absence, how much is the depth of this tournament --

DAVIS LOVE III: The field's definitely changed. Obviously you have two college players in that group back there that are really, really good players, obviously the Langers back in the day, the Floyds. The kids that were playing in college were the good teams. You know, Jackie Nicklaus or whatever back in those days.

Yeah, it's gotten deeper, obviously when you see Stewart and Reagan not up there, and the Langers not up there, you know the field's really deep.

DRU LOVE: John and Little John, every time we turn around, they are 70, 90 yards from the hole and we're hitting 8-irons. That's kind of the main thing we saw was just the huge gap between where we were hitting our second shots and where they were and a little bit of that is because I was guiding it, trying to hit a fairway and we could definitely do better strategy-wise getting it down the fairway.

Q. Did you have anything else planned this week?

DAVIS LOVE III: Yeah, we were going on a ski trip, all the granddaughters have been wanting snow. So we were going skiing. So we were excited to get invited back kind of late. Obviously Justin and Tiger having surgery threw everybody's schedule up in the air.

So we were happy to get back in. But we can always go skiing. You can't always play in this thing -- or snowboarding, in our case.

