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Tiger Woods

Akshay Bhatia

Kevin Kisner

Max Homa

Press Conference



Jupiter Links GC 8, Atlanta Drive GC 6

THE MODERATOR: Want to welcome Jupiter Links Golf Club, now on a one-match winning streak, to the media center here at the SoFi Center. Akshay, some great golf out there. I think there was four holes out there where you guys hit it inside five feet. Talk about what it felt like to get some momentum going and how you guys took advantage of that.

AKSHAY BHATIA: Yeah, it was fun. Typically our first match we got up early and then lost some momentum. They had it early and we switched it so fast.

It just felt like we were never going to lose that feeling. Obviously we all hit really good shots. This one feels really, really nice.

Q. Akshay, you mentioned after the match you guys had maybe changed a little bit of practice strategy. Seems like you got a hang of the greens today. Third week in a row of you guys in here. Have you done anything differently this week to prepare?

AKSHAY BHATIA: Yeah, I think obviously we needed to put some more effort and time into the putting aspect of it. I did a lot of practice on the holes I knew I was going to putt to.

Max watched me hit a couple putts, and then we watched Kis hit a couple putts. We had a way better idea of what certain putts were going to do, remembering what putts we

hit earlier in the match. So that helped us a lot.

Then I think the green got a little faster, which I think helped us a little bit, because some of these putts can go either way, and so when you're dripping it, it kind of has a better chance to catch the hole.

Q. Tiger, how are you feeling? You look pretty good, look like you're moving around pretty good. How close are we?

TIGER WOODS: To what?

Q. To seeing you out here.

TIGER WOODS: Playing here? I don't know. I like watching these guys. As far as competitive golf, it's still some time.

Q. Kevin, you've taken some good-natured ribbing the last year or so. What was it like for you to do what you did tonight?

KEVIN KISNER: Well, that was fun. I heard in my ear at the very end that I led strokes gained overall for the match, and I've never done that in my entire career other than putting. Suck on that, Atlanta.

No, it was fun, man. I've been disappointed with my play not being as competitive the last couple years as I'm accustomed to, and it's been fun to be back out there, and I really wanted to show it off for the guys. You play bad by yourself and it's okay; you play bad for your teammates and it really stinks. To go out there and hit shots for these guys is a lot more fun and see them excited about it is really cool. Love being part of the team and love getting a win tonight.

Q. Tiger, did you say anything in the locker room before the match to get the guys going?

TIGER WOODS: No, we were just on a group text together, and we just had a lot of fun. It's normal team stuff.

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The great thing is we've all been together here. Akshay has been incredible to be a part of this team. We haven't won a match in a couple years, so it was nice to actually get up on the right side of the leaderboard finally.

Q. Akshay, do you have a favorite shot from today?

KEVIN KISNER: I've got one of his. That fairway bunker shot after they threw the hammer was unbelievable.

AKSHAY BHATIA: Yeah, I don't know, I hit a couple really nice ones. Obviously the Bridge hole where I hit it to four feet, hammered and didn't even give Chris a chance to hit was nice. Then the chip I hit that Max was talking about, that one was really, really sick. I'm going to rewatch that probably on the plane ride home.

All in all, when everyone is hitting it really good and we have good mojo, it's just fun. We practiced all the holes, and it paid off today.

Q. Tiger, I want to know if you would touch on it real quick. Brooks mentioned you were the first call that he made when trying to reinstate on the PGA TOUR. Any talks of him as a Jupiter native potentially becoming a part of this team down the road?

TIGER WOODS: I don't know that part yet. Brooks just got his feet wet being back on our TOUR again at Torrey, and he's playing Waste Management this week. We've got one new team next year, and should have two. I don't know when it's going to be sewn up or not. But who knows.

If Brooks is going to be on a team or not on a team, but we have a great team here. My boys here, we've had so much fun going back and forth, and these group texts are just awesome.

Q. Tiger, I am curious, just checking in, when is the last time you talked to Tom Kim about his availability and when he may be able to rejoin you guys this season?

TIGER WOODS: He'll be available next time. We had our guys here, and they wanted to play this week, and they played. And won.

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