



STEPHEN AMES (-7)

Q. You climbed your way up the leaderboard today, things are really clicking for you. Was it putting, driving?

STEPHEN AMES: No, it was putting, definitely putting. Yesterday I hit the ball just as well. Didn't start as well, started with a double, but I three-putted three times yesterday. I had 35 putts, I think today I had 25 putts, so there's a big difference there, yes, which was nice to see.

Q. Was that a byproduct of something you did yesterday compared to today or was it anything mechanical?

STEPHEN AMES: It's always mechanical in some respects for me. I see a lot of things wrong when I set up to the golf ball, fidget a lot and then get up and hit it. Today was nice. Started working with somebody on it and I'm not 100 sure on the mechanics, on that part of it, but it's a progress. It's the end of the year. Looking forward to next year, how about that?

Q. Your son Ryan is on the bag this week?

STEPHEN AMES: Yeah, he is.

Q. Did you guys enjoy each other today?

STEPHEN AMES: Oh, yeah, we always do, yeah. He's progressed into a nice young man and I don't get to see him as often as I would like to. Pebble Beach and this week are two weeks that he came out and caddied for me and we've had a lot of fun since he's been out, yes.

Q. You not only climbed your way up the leaderboard, but you jumped inside the top 36, which you need to do in order to play. How aware are you of those -- it's so volatile, can you just go out and play and basically --

STEPHEN AMES: You used the right word, it is volatile. You just have to go out and play. At this stage, as my wife has put it, we're just trying to collect as many acorns as we can for the winter. For me at this stage, we've got a big two weeks coming up because we're actually going home back to Vancouver to pack up to move to a Caribbean island. So we have a lot of things to do before we leave. So either way it's a win-win situation for me, so I'm not really complaining.

Q. You kind of flirted with the tournament course record today, I don't know if you're

even aware of that?

STEPHEN AMES: I thought it was 10-under by Dustin.

Q. I guess the tournament, 64.

STEPHEN AMES: Look at that.

Q. You mentioned putting, but anything else that was different today?

STEPHEN AMES: No. I've hit the ball the same way I have for most of the year and today was a good putting day.

Q. For this golf course and I'm sure you're pretty familiar with it, what's the -- usually it's the par 5s, you've got to get those?

STEPHEN AMES: You've got to take advantage of the par 5s. There's ones that you can and certain ones that you can't. Obviously 16 is how aggressive you want to be off the tee because it's not the back tee, it's the forward tee, so I play it to lay back. I play it as a three-shotter and I birdied it both days, so I don't care, I'll be happy with that. Today I did, but the other par 5s, yeah, you have to take advantage of it without a doubt.

Q. So how do you play tomorrow, just the same way?

STEPHEN AMES: Same way, exactly the same way, yeah, if not better.