ROUND 3 QUICK QUOTES July 26, 2025

PIERCESON COODY (-16)



Q. Windier day in the afternoon, how do you feel you battled during the third round?

PIERCESON COODY: Yeah, I played well. The two bogeys are just bad swings that I hit. I chunked both a 6-iron and a 4-iron. If I take away those two swings, I would have been really happy with my round. So it's certainly not a bad round, but I left a few out there.

Q. What's it like getting to the first tee box and seeing someone posted a number of 11 under for the day?

PIERCESON COODY: You know, it's fairly normal I guess. When you're playing these events, you know someone that barely makes the cut is going to shoot 8, 9 under most of the time. So it's just, it's pretty normal. 11 under's an incredible round. We had a lot more wind this afternoon than they had this morning. Getting anywhere near 20 under was going to be exceptional and I guess it's going to look like 18 or 19.

Q. What would a victory mean to you knowing everything that comes with it with the two-year exemption, not needing to go back to the Korn Ferry Tour? With that at stake, what's your mindset and what would that mean to you?

PIERCESON COODY: I mean, yeah, it would be achieving the life, the childhood dream to be on the PGA TOUR. But like it doesn't really change my life. It's fun, it's going to be -- I'm going to go do what I can to hopefully make that happen and hopefully a few putts and whatnot go my way tomorrow, but it's just, it's one step in hopefully a very long journey in golf. It certainly would be career changing, but it would not be life changing.

Q. Knowing you have the KFT status to fall back on, you'll likely finish in the top-30 there, do you think that's freed you up a bit this week?

PIERCESON COODY: Yeah, I mean, just more so of my kind of second season on Tour, just playing more events. I was in Colonial last year, I was in second last group and whatnot there, I was close to the lead until it pulled away. I feel fine out there. I feel like I'm doing the right things. I know if I just kind of keep getting better and stay on whatever my trajectory is it's going to work out.

Q. You talked about the wind in the middle of the round. How do you adjust to the wind and how do you mentally overcome those challenges as you finish your round?

PIERCESON COODY: Yeah, with the wind normally the greens get a little firmer, the fairways get a little firmer, but everything stayed really soft. There wasn't much adjusting



other than just kind of picking the right clubs, and the distance of course didn't change too much luckily.

