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First-round tournament quotes:

AN INTERVIEW WITH LUCAS GLOVER

THE MODERATOR: Thank you, Lucas, for joining us for a few minutes at the media center at the Zurich Classic of New Orleans.

We were just talking as you walked in, you said it was breezy this morning and it kind of slowed down this afternoon. A nice round with six birdies and no bogeys.

LUCAS GLOVER: Yes, it was good. I played well. I played solid. I had a little hiccup on the second hole with a 3-putt. Other than that, not very many mistakes. I could have made some more 12 or 15-footers, but I didn't. I can't complain with 6-under.

Q. It's been a weird year for you, maybe last week was an especially tough week, kind of getting away from things and put things behind you?

LUCAS GLOVER: It was a good week. It wasn't too bad after we started playing. I had Billy on the back so that was fun. I played okay. Nothing to write home about but it was a good week, you know. So it wasn't anything super tough, but pretty emotional early in the week.

Q. Lucas, did these conditions change much from the time you teed off?

LUCAS GLOVER: Yes, I think the wind we had this morning was just getting that front out of here from last night. It actually got lighter as we made the turn. So conditions were pretty favorable on the front.

But it seems to be pretty constant now, kind of gusty this morning, pretty constant now. I don't know how hard. But this morning the wind was the toughest the first few holes, just blowing that front out of here.

But, you know, I'm not saying I got a bad draw or anything, that's just the way it was.

Q. Did they get enough rain to soften up the greens pretty good?

LUCAS GLOVER: Yes, they were soft. I made a couple of birdies out of the rough, able to fly them on and stop them. So that was kind of a plus being this morning.

But they'll firm up by the end of the week, no rain.

Q. You have had a good chance to win this year, looking at your record, I'm seeing four or five Top-10's?

LUCAS GLOVER: I felt like San Diego I had a 4-footer on 15 to tie for the lead there, and I kind of let it get away.

Q. You were one of those guys in the 8-way tie for the lead?

LUCAS GLOVER: Yes. I felt like San Diego, if I made a couple of putts down the stretch, I'm right there. So yes.

Q. Aside from not winning, are you happy with how things are progressing after getting your first win last year?

LUCAS GLOVER: Yes, I'm not real happy how I played in the biggest tournaments so far, TPC and The Masters, obviously, I didn't play very well. But other than that, I'm pretty solid. I had only one other missed cut and that was at Sony. But take advantage of those big events for when I have really good years.

Q. How much is the Ryder Cup on your mind?

LUCAS GLOVER: A lot, maybe too much, in the last month.

Q. Speaking of big tournaments.

LUCAS GLOVER: Yes, maybe two months in the last month or so. That's a big goal. I want to play on that team. I'm going to think about it.

Q. What do you mean by that, I think I know what you mean, when you say it's been too much on your mind?

LUCAS GLOVER: I put a lot of pressure on myself at Augusta and at TPC because of the field and because of, you know, that's where Tom is going to look. And that's, you know, that's a matter of fact. You know, I could have lightened up myself a little bit preparing and playing.

Q. Do you think you over prepared?

LUCAS GLOVER: No, I think I put a lot of pressure on myself those the weeks.

Q. Do you mean tight?

LUCAS GLOVER: Just, you know, thinking too much about it. I loosened up pretty quick at Augusta, actually less though than at the TPC surprisingly. But I just wasn't playing well.

THE MODERATOR: A couple more questions?

Q. Can we get his card real quick?

THE MODERATOR: You started on the back 9, birdie on 11. Just go to the birdies.

LUCAS GLOVER: Birdie 11, 13.

THE MODERATOR: Tell them the club.

LUCAS GLOVER: 3-wood on 11, front fringe, up and down. Pretty simple up and down there.

13, wedged it to about two feet.

15, I hit a good wedge shot out of the left rough. Ten feet made that one.

And 18, I made about a 15-footer on 18 from right below the hole.

4, I wedged it to about four feet.

And 6, I hit it on the back fringe, chipped it down to 3 feet and made that one.

THE MODERATOR: Did you have any other close birdie putts?

LUCAS GLOVER: Yes. I 3-putted 2 for par. And I had a bunch of 10 and 12-footers. I wasn't reading them quite right.

Q. Lucas, was the wind in your face? (Inaudible.)

LUCAS GLOVER: It was into left to right off the tee. Obviously, the third shot it's more just across because you are going on that angle. I wasn't going to get there anyway. So I hit 3-wood off the tee and tried to play for the lay-up. It was a bad lay-up, but that's the way it goes.

Q. Did you play last year here?

LUCAS GLOVER: Yes.

THE MODERATOR: He finished like Top-10.

LUCAS GLOVER: I finished third last year and missed the cut here two years ago on this course.

Q. Did the course change much in your opinion?

LUCAS GLOVER: The greens aren't quite as good, but for obvious reasons, they are a little tighter, smaller. They're like where they would have been 20, 25 years ago. That's the only difference I see.

THE MODERATOR: Thanks, Lucas.

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