

**CHRYSLER CHAMPIONSHIP**  
**Westin Innisbrook**  
**Copperhead Course**  
**Palm Harbor, Fla**

**October 26, 2005**

**Pre-tournament -round quotes**

**AN INTERVIEW WITH ADAM SCOTT**

THE MODERATOR: Adam Scott, thanks for joining us here. Your first trip to The Chrysler Championship, if you could start with some opening comments, you played in the Pro-am this morning, about the golf course.

ADAM SCOTT: The course in good shape. It's been set up well, playing firm and fast. So I always think that's how you want to play a golf course to see it's true test.

The rough is pretty penal out there, so I'm going to have to drive it straight this week if I want to be in the mix.

THE MODERATOR: Talk about your thought process. You're in THE TOUR Championship next week. What made you put this event on your schedule.

ADAM SCOTT: You know, I have been pretty disappointed with my performance the last, my last half of this year, probably. You know, I'm still hanging around the place on the money list. But maybe a good week this week and a good week next week, I can get up in the Top-10, I'd be a little more satisfied with my year. I certainly would like to win one of the next two events and get a win on the board and get into Kapalua.

THE MODERATOR: Questions?

Q. Had you heard anything about the golf course before you came? Has it lived up to what you heard? Is it better or worse than you thought?

ADAM SCOTT: Yes, I heard a lot of great reports from the guys the last couple of years who have played here. And certainly lived up to the expectations I had. I actually feel very comfortable out there. I don't know what it is, the landscape and the grasses, and the trees even out there, very similar to the Gold Coast, and some local golf courses at home. So that's nice for me to go around there. It feels very comfortable.

Q. What is it that has been holding you back this year?

ADAM SCOTT: I played great the first six months of the year. But, you know, I haven't putted very well the second half of the year and that's held me back a lot. It puts a lot of pressure on the rest of your game when you are not putting so well. So I think I'm over that hurdle now and if I can drive it straight this week I think I'll be fine.

Q. Have you made any adjustments to your putting style, or stroke, or the putter itself, or gotten coaching from anyone?

ADAM SCOTT: I've just been working, practicing a little harder on the stuff that Butch and I believe, when I putt well, this is what I do. I have been working pretty hard at that. It feels pretty good to me. I putted nicely today. The greens are a good speed and they're rolling well. I'm very confident in that. I would just like to straighten out the driver a little bit.

Q. You took some time off maybe later in the year, is it because you just wanted to get away from it a little while you were frustrated perhaps?

ADAM SCOTT: Yes, I went home after the NEC tournament for two weeks back to Australia and I didn't take time off the game. I just needed to get away and have two weeks off the TOUR. And kind of refocus and, you know, I think the best place to do that is at home. So I went home and I went up to Singapore and played The Singapore Open the next week and won. I got to go home for another week, and came back for the President's Cup and played pretty good. Then I didn't putt so good again the next couple of weeks. But I feel I've made some progress, and that was a good thing to do. Sometimes you just got to listen to your body and what it's telling you because it's a pretty long year. Frustration can build up, and I just felt it was time to get away.

Q. There are probably some times when you go into tournaments and you don't feel like you can win. You said you were slumping for a while there. Do you feel like you had that all together now and you are confident about having a good chance to win?

ADAM SCOTT: Yes, I think so. Yes, I got my swing in great shape this year. It's really where I want it to be. It's improved a lot. It's a lot more consistent. I feel very confident these next couple of weeks.

Q. You said you went home, obviously Australia is home, that's not where you live, correct?

ADAM SCOTT: Correct.

Q. Where is that? I think I read Switzerland?

ADAM SCOTT: Yes.

Q. How did you choose that and how often are you actually there?

ADAM SCOTT: I was in Switzerland last week actually. I'm not there very often because it's hard to get back there all the time. You know, I spend a month there a year maybe. But I don't spend much more time anywhere else. I only spend a couple of months in Australia a year and that's really my home. So it's kind of a traveling gypsy lifestyle. But I'm enjoying it still, so I have no problem with that.

Q. It must have been something about Switzerland though, the beauty?

ADAM SCOTT: It's beautiful. Sergio lives in the same time there as well. At least I know someone down there and I don't have to learn French.

Q. Is the rough here more penal than you find it at most other TOUR stops?

ADAM SCOTT: I'd say the rough this year overall has gotten a little thicker. But, yes, I'd say this is a bit longer than normal. Yes, absolutely. I think the ball kind of sinks down to the bottom of it more off than not here. So it's probably a little more penal than most stops.

Q. By nature does that put more premium on your driving?

ADAM SCOTT: Yes. You can get a bad enough lie where you have to chip out here. Certainly you want to be putting it in play as much as you can.

Q. Anything else? Thank you, Adam Scott.

- - -