

ROUND 4 QUICK QUOTES
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MARK HUBBARD (-15)

Q. Mark, that was a nice round today. How difficult were those conditions?

MARK HUBBARD: Yeah, I mean, they were tough. It was tough all week. There are certain holes that are up on top of that hill that it's amazing the ball even stays on the green even with the procedures we've been doing, not rolling and cutting 'em.

Yeah, there's also an equal amount of holes that are more gettable because of the wind, like 17, I had three 9-irons into that hole, so you just kind of buckle down on the into-the-wind ones and try to go low on the downwind ones.

Q. You birdied half of your first 12 holes, 6 under through 12. What are you thinking at that point? Are you looking at the leaderboard and thinking if I can bring this in and post a number, is that --

MARK HUBBARD: No, the first leaderboard I looked at was I guess 13. Is that the par 3? Yeah, I kind of at the beginning of the day was I've probably got to shoot 20 so I would be 10 under today. Kind of when we were out there I was thinking 17 outside chance, 18 for sure.

Yeah, I mean, the front in my opinion is considerably easier so you just kind of got to go on that side. Then once you get to 8, then you kind of just got to hang on and take your opportunities when you get 'em.

Q. You came into the week No. 71, you moved up a number of spots. One more week to go to get into that Top 60, 51 to 60. Is that on your mind, what you'll take into next week and try to creep into that group?

MARK HUBBARD: Yeah, I don't know where I stand now. Honestly, I kind of wanted to be done after Japan, that was my plan. Then I played pretty good in Vegas so I kind of moved up. I don't know how many points I'm at with that 60, but I think 68 was the last man into Pebble last year. I got in at 64, 65, and then I finished fourth there and kind of made my whole season.

Got to keep playing as much as I would love to be home right now. I think this is the best I've ever felt about my game this late in the year. I was balancing some equipment stuff and finally found a set of irons that I'm obsessed with and found a putter that I really love, so as much as I would love to be home right now with my girls, I've got to be here.



Q. You said you found those things. Did you find that early in the season, because you've had a really good season. What do you take away from this year basically?

MARK HUBBARD: 689yeah, I guess it doesn't feel as good as it probably looked. I played good early and then I kind of, I had a set of irons that I've been playing for almost two and a half years that I was obsessed with and it was just time, the grooves were worn, so I just kind of battled for I felt like five or six months to just find a replacement. I found these Pings they sent me probably two years ago or so, they were in my garage and I was just cleaning 'em out and they looked really good and I was like all right. So I went and played them in Jackson and I've been playing them ever since. It was one of those things where obviously it's me more than my equipment, but at the same time when you're switching almost every week and trying new stuff, it's hard to play good golf and be consistent.

So the fact that I've pretty much had the same bag for most of this fall, it's been really refreshing to just kind of go out and know that it's me and not my equipment, not have any second guessing out there.

Then yeah, I found a putter that I really liked again that's kind of been a battle this year. So as much as I've played well, I've used probably four, five different putters, which for me I had used the same putter since 2014 before that, so I'm just not a guy that changes a lot. So it's been a weird year, but I'm glad I'm finishing strong.

