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**Q. The difference between yesterday and today for you?**

**LUCAS HERBERT:** The first three holes yesterday I thought, "We're in for a long week." We were huddled under some sort of palm tree over on the back of the 12th green, rain coming in. I was watching it, I don't think you could get more sideways without getting physically 90 degrees, the rain. And I was 2 over through three and I thought, "Well, I'll be heading back to the mainland on Friday."

But yeah, the weather improved and I was able to sort of claw back. Then today just probably pretty similar, like maybe a fraction better and then obviously finished really nice today with an eagle on 17 and birdie on 18 and all of a sudden it looks like a round that was probably a lot better than it was.

**Q. Just talk me through your transition over here onto the PGA TOUR. You had playing success worldwide. What made you kind of come over for the Finals last year, the Korn Ferry Tour Finals?**

**LUCAS HERBERT:** I've always wanted to play on the PGA TOUR, so the opportunity to go to Finals was perfect. Essentially you play well at one event and that's a PGA TOUR card locked up. So yeah, it was obviously a great opportunity and we were fortunate to sort of take advantage of that straightaway and get a schedule out, somewhat of a schedule out here. It looks like it's pretty tough for the Fall Series there to get some starts out of our category, but that's kind of the way it is. I think for your first year out here as a rookie, you've just got to take what you get. Weeks like this where we do get a start, we have to take advantage of it. Sort of look forward to playing a lot of the venues through the year as well. Sort of watched them on TV since I was a kid, like it would be cool to sort of stand in some of those spots actually hitting the shots rather than watching on TV.

**Q. With what you just said, do you feel a little more pressure in the fall when you get the starts or do you just play and see how things come?**

**LUCAS HERBERT:** Yes and no. There's pressure all season. It doesn't really -- like the more you think about it, yeah, there's a lot of pressure on right now. It's obviously re-ranked nicely, but then the pressure's still on after that and if you don't re-rank, well, the pressure's still on to play well. It's pressure all season, so you've kind of just got to accept that that's the nature of the beast and that's what goes with our line of work. It is what it is. We get rewarded for it quite nicely from a financial point of view and from a tournament perks point of view, and we get to come to Bermuda for a week and hang out here. Like a little bit of stress and pressure, I think we can deal with that.

**Q. Are you going to play primarily the PGA TOUR or are you going to play back in Europe as well a little bit?**

**LUCAS HERBERT:** I want to try to play a bit of a combination. Europe have been great to me. I played out there as an affiliate member in 2018 and everyone's welcomed me really well out there and I made a lot of good friends out there as well. I enjoy playing a few of the courses out there, so where the schedule permits, I want to try to play some of the bigger events back there, for sure.

It's going to be tricky I think this year. As I said, being a rookie, you're probably going to be on the edge of whether you're going to get into some of the events over here or not. Sort of just have to, you know, take it week by week in a way and just see what we can play. I definitely -- and I mean even the PGA TOUR of Australia, I want to keep supporting Australian golf back home, too, where I can.

So the world's opening up a little bit more now, people are -- obviously everyone's getting vaccinated and countries are making it a little bit easier to travel, so it's making it possible to play more of a worldwide schedule I think, too.

**Q. Where do you feel like your game is heading into the weekend here in a great spot?**

**LUCAS HERBERT:** Yeah, I mean, I really struggled in Napa and Jackson and I got my coach here for the last two weeks. I want to say we made big changes, but we're probably getting it back to where it should have been, so that's starting to feel a bit more normal and natural now. I've obviously hit 36 holes worth of shots where I can sort of trust it and feel like I've got some results to look back on to feel like I can trust the golf swing that I'm trying to make. It's been a good test out in the wind as well. If it was going to break down and show up that it wasn't ready, it would have done it, but it's held up quite nicely. I've hit a lot of nice shots through the wind and yeah, sitting here at 3 back going into the weekend.