

ROUND 1 INTERVIEW
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JEFF MAGGERT (-7)

JEFF MAGGERT: Great golf today, we just played solid golf. I played a little better this week. I struggled a little bit last year and kind of worked hard this winter. My wife put me on a crazy diet, my son gave me putting lessons, so lost 10 pounds and I'm putting good, so something's working.

Q. So no bogeys on the round, right?

JEFF MAGGERT: No bogeys today.

Q. That's good with a bit of wind blowing around.

JEFF MAGGERT: The ball-striking, I holed out a bunker shot early in the round and just putted solid all day. I just hit the ball close all day long.

Q. Do you remember what hole that was?

JEFF MAGGERT: I holed it out of the bunker on the 11th, which was my second hole, for a birdie. I birdied 10 and 11 starting out, so that got me a good spot, and I just hit the ball well and I had a lot of opportunities to make birdies.

Q. You birdied four of the first five, right?

JEFF MAGGERT: Yeah.

Q. Just talk about that.

JEFF MAGGERT: Just hitting the ball close. Hit a close shot on 13. 14, I made it from the fringe. That was my only really long putt, probably about 20, 25 feet. And the other birdie -- I'm losing track. Yeah, four of the first five, so that was it, easy birdie on 18.

Q. Is it always easier when there's birdies coming in all directions like that?

JEFF MAGGERT: You know, it's nice when everyone in the group's making putts because it kind of putts you in the frame of seeing the ball go in the hole. When everyone's missing three, four, five, six-footers all day, it starts to wear on you. Oh, gosh, nobody can make a putt.

Q. And when everyone's doing well, does that kind of inspire you to try and keep up, right?

JEFF MAGGERT: Yeah, a lot of good scores today on the scoreboards. It's just the first round, but in a three-round event, you've got to play well every day so it's nice to get off to a good start.