

KEVIN SUTHERLAND (-14)

Q. I was just listening to you on the Golf Channel, you said you had a lot of short putts early and then later on the putter started to work, huh?

KEVIN SUTHERLAND: Yeah. You know, I hit it very close to the hole on five holes on the front. And then actually I hit it close on 10, I hit it about a foot on 10, or three feet on 10 and then about a foot on 12. Then I started hitting good shots, but they were going to like 15 feet and I started making those, too. So it all worked together.

It was not -- there wasn't a shot that I didn't hit well out there today until the last hole, and that 3-iron, I just came out of it a little bit. I was trying to hit it pretty hard. I knew it was -- I had to really push it to get it there and I didn't make a real good swing.

Q. So you knew that eagle was for 59?

KEVIN SUTHERLAND: Oh, I was very much aware. I actually didn't -- I mean, obviously you don't think about 59 very often, but I started thinking about it on 17. I birdied 16. I go, you birdie 17 and you eagle 18, you're there. But it's easier said than done, eagles just don't happen all the time. But I gave myself a chance, hit a really good drive. Like I said, I didn't hit a great 3-iron, but, you know, it would have been nice to hit one up there and give yourself at least a putt at it and that didn't happen, though.

Q. The next consolation prize is a 60 and the course record.

KEVIN SUTHERLAND: That's a great consolation prize. Trust me, I'm not even remotely disappointed with the day. It's all positive. Yeah, shooting a 59 is just, you know, for me was once in a lifetime. Just to have an opportunity to shoot it again was just a treat, so it's all good.

Q. Did you play better that day you shot 59 or was it better today?

KEVIN SUTHERLAND: It was a harder day today. It was cold when we played. It seemed -- not that 59 ever seems likely, but it seemed less likely today. But that day in Endicott was just so surreal. I was 9 under after eight holes. It just had a different feel. I was 14 under par at one point. That was never in the realm of possibility today. So to compare it, I don't know, I would say I probably played better up there, I guess, one shot better, but it was a much easier day. It was a perfect day for golf and today was probably not.

Q. I don't know what the second best score that day was, but there's not that many

low scores out there today.

KEVIN SUTHERLAND: Yeah, it played hard today, it was cold. The first hole normally is reachable and I didn't even think about going for the green in two. It was cold, into the wind, and it was not an easy day to play golf, but man, I sure played well today.

JACKIE SERVAIS: Did you know the course record?

KEVIN SUTHERLAND: No idea. What was it?

JACKIE SERVAIS: You got it.

KEVIN SUTHERLAND: What was it before?

JACKIE SERVAIS: 61.

KEVIN SUTHERLAND: Oh, I didn't know that.

JACKIE SERVAIS: So I guess my next question on that is standing over your 20-foot putt you said was the last putt you had, what was your mindset?

KEVIN SUTHERLAND: You know, I just wanted -- my mindset was probably to shoot 60. I didn't really have any other thought than that. Nothing really changed. I think if it had been for 59, it would have been a little bit different feel, but I was just trying to shoot 60. And I had no recollection of what the course record was, but that's a good thing.

JACKIE SERVAIS: So how do you go low tomorrow? Like you just did this today, it's kind of unrealistic maybe to say, oh, I'm going to do this tomorrow. So how do you win this? What do you take from today?

KEVIN SUTHERLAND: You know, one of the lessons I did learn from Endicott was that there was this feeling that you actually had won something before the tournament was over, and I did not play well the next day. So I'm going to take a little bit of that with me. Hey, we're still playing golf, nothing's changed. There's a tournament to win tomorrow and then I know that there's guys going to be making birdies out there right now. So I don't know what it's going to be like at the end of the day, but I'm going to probably have to shoot a really good score tomorrow to win the tournament. That's the goal right now.

Q. (Question about beating Scott McCarron in match play.)

KEVIN SUTHERLAND: And we played a lot last year together in the last group. Like at Endicott last year, we both played really well and Scott beat me by a shot. I think he shot 64 and I shot 65 or something like that, so it was a lot of fun. I played a lot of golf with Scott, so that's perfectly fine with me, that's good.

Q. You were a walk-on at Fresno State?

KEVIN SUTHERLAND: I was, yeah. You know what? I didn't play a junior tournament until I was about 16. I played a lot of other sports. I played baseball and basketball and I played some golf, but I started taking up golf a little bit later. I played a lot of golf, I should say. I didn't play any tournament golf until I was 16. I just played with my friends and kind of messed around and had a good time with it. But I started getting better at it and I walked on at Fresno State and it was a perfect spot for me.

Q. (Inaudible.)

KEVIN SUTHERLAND: That was fun.

Q. That was a good pitch.

JACKIE SERVAIS: He killed it, yeah.

KEVIN SUTHERLAND: It was good. I had a great time. I mean, we had so much fun. It was great, it was a great experience, something I'll remember the rest of my life. It was great.

JACKIE SERVAIS: And he practiced before, so he was ready to go.

KEVIN SUTHERLAND: I threw a few pitches before. I hadn't thrown a ball in four years.