

ROUND 3 INTERVIEW
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STEPHEN AMES (-17)

Q. Stephen, that was a heck of a round. Jerry Kelly sat in that seat yesterday afternoon and he told us he thought there was a 10, a 61, on the golf course. You went and got it. How did you do it?

STEPHEN AMES: Well, I did it with the putter, which is nice because I had a struggle with it this year. But overall it was fun. Like I was telling you earlier on, I had to look at my score, my scorecard to actually realize that I needed eagle on the last hole to go to 10 under. So standing over the putt on the 18th, it was a lot more pressure.

Q. But you didn't know?

STEPHEN AMES: No, I didn't know.

Q. You just kind of knew you were playing well, just kind of disappeared into the round?

STEPHEN AMES: I did, pretty much.

Q. And a fist pump at 18. Let's take a look at highlights. We'll get to 18 in a second. Let's go to highlights and we'll give you the big buildup here. We'll take you to 15 tee.

STEPHEN AMES: Yeah, I just watched Kevin hit it left there with a 9-iron and I decided well, 9-iron was always a club for me and went straight at it. It's a long 9-iron. Course is playing very short this week. That was a nice little putt.

Q. 17?

STEPHEN AMES: Yeah, this one had about a three-and-a-half foot break on it and I hit the perfect pace just to go in the middle of the hole just like Tim hit the last one.

Q. Do you know that you had 11 one-putts today?

STEPHEN AMES: Apparently.

Q. And here's the second shot at 18.

STEPHEN AMES: This is my -- not my go-to shot. This is one I've been working on for a couple years now trying to hit a high fade. I pulled it off right there with a 5-wood. I had 229 to the hole into the wind.

Q. Is that where you wanted to hit it?

STEPHEN AMES: Well, it was a little right of my line, but I did hit the fade, which was fun.

Q. And now the putt for eagle?

STEPHEN AMES: This is a little left-to-right off the left lip there.

Q. Get in. Yes! You wanted that one.

STEPHEN AMES: I did. I looked at my scorecard and I didn't realize that -- I didn't realize that I was actually putting to go to 10 under to tie the course record, so there was a little satisfaction there.

Q. Lanny mentioned it, you've been close the last few weeks. What will it take to get you over the hump on Sunday afternoon?

STEPHEN AMES: You know, at this stage right now for me, I'm fortunate enough to be here in the top-36 because I had to work my way into getting here. I did it last week by finishing third in L.A. the week before, and then this right now is just icing on the cake. I'm enjoying it. I think, like everybody else, we're all very tired, it's been a long year, and I'm looking forward to two months off right now.

Q. One big day tomorrow, I know you're going to make the move from Vancouver to the Turks and Caicos.

STEPHEN AMES: I am, yeah.

Q. Wish you the best with that. Former PLAYERS champ looking for win number two out here on the PGA TOUR Champions. Phenomenal round today, Stephen.

STEPHEN AMES: Thank you very much.