

**ROUND 3 INTERVIEW**  
**May 19, 2018**



**STEVE STRICKER ( -14)**

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**STEVE STRICKER:** Yep. I think I had about 158 yards with a 9-iron. I couldn't see it, it was kind of over -- I couldn't see it go in. It was kind of over a little knob, a bunker that we couldn't see the green. And then birdied 9, so that two-hole stretch kind of really got my momentum going, made the turn in 4 under instead of maybe 2 or something like that. So it really got me going on the back side, and played well on the back, too. Had a lot of opportunities, and rolled a lot over the edge. A lot of my putts looked like they had a chance to go in, so it was a good day today.

**Q. I was going to say, you were about five or six back from the lead pretty much for two and a half days. I think you went from like 12th to 2nd when you holed out on 8, and you -- 3 under in two holes. Do you feel like once you got past nine you might come back (inaudible.)**

**STEVE STRICKER:** Well, I mean, we still have, you know, one more day to go, but I gave myself a chance for tomorrow and that's kind of what I was looking to do today, is to put up a good number and give myself and get myself into contention for tomorrow. And it looks like I have done that.

You got to make birdies around here. The conditions are so good, and there's not a lot of wind, and the greens are pure, so you got to continually make birdies to stay up around the lead. And obviously that hole-out and then the birdie at 9 really got me going, so I needed that.

**Q. Do you see yourself as a momentum type golfer, where you can --**

**STEVE STRICKER:** Oh, yeah. Everybody is that way. When you can put a couple -- two, three holes stretch together like that, you gain a lot of momentum and you keep riding it out.

And I had an eagle putt at the 13th hole that just went over the edge, another one right here that just went over the edge. So I hit a lot of good shots, I gave myself the opportunities, and hit a lot of good putts.

**Q. I know you said yesterday that you needed to come out and shoot a couple really low rounds over the weekend, so how happy are you with how you performed today?**

**STEVE STRICKER:** Yeah, very happy. I gave myself a chance going into tomorrow. I needed a round like this, because if I didn't shoot this, I would be six or seven or eight shots

back, so it would be hard to make up tomorrow. Now it looks like I will be two or three back, so I've got a chance.

**Q. All right. Thank you.**