ROUND 2 INTERVIEW September 22, 2018



JERRY SMITH (-9)

Q. What did you think today? Well, I don't know, you describe your round for me.

JERRY SMITH: You know, I didn't get off to the best start, and as I said yesterday, I've been struggling with some approach shots and some of my irons, and sure enough early in the round there on 4 I hit a really poor wedge that wasn't a very difficult shot. Then the next hole I hit a really poor 7-iron right of the green. So making a couple bogeys there early isn't something you want to have happen there, especially in the final group.

I started settling down there on 9 again, kind of had a similar shot and yardage as I did yesterday, 9-iron in there pretty close. Made my first birdie after making really a poor bogey on the hole before, which I did also yesterday, so settled me down. Made a good two-putt on 10 with not a really good 4-iron off the tee. Then came back and birdied 11 and 12, so I started feeling a little bit better out there.

Then coming in, the last holes all sort of being downwind, in your mind you're thinking I'm going to have some opportunities. That's kind of the way it played out and I made a couple coming in. So yeah, I feel better about things, for sure.

Q. You're going to be in that last group two days in a row. How's that figure into it?

JERRY SMITH: Well, you know, it's always tough when you're not in there a lot like myself, but it's where you want to be. You don't learn if you don't get there. I think hanging in there today and just getting back sort of into the thick of things here should help me tomorrow. But I know it will be a challenge. I think the winds are going to be kind of similar, so I obviously have a little bit of an idea how the course will play. It would be fun either way.