ROUND 2 INTERVIEW July 12, 2019



STEVE STRICKER (-6)

Q. Kind of an up-and-down round. I mean, you had a couple bogeys -- a bogey, a couple birdies. Never could get any momentum going. Did you feel that way?

STEVE STRICKER: Yeah, never really got anything going at all. Drove it in the rough quite a few times, missed quite a few greens, and just when I did hit it on the green, it really wasn't that close to have legitimate birdie putts at it. It's just a good golf course. And if you're a little off off the tee, you pay the price, you know. I hung in there nicely today and that's what's nice. We're only halfway through and three shots back, I'm in a good spot.

Q. A lot of golf to play?

STEVE STRICKER: Yeah.

Q. How do you keep yourself from competing with Retief when he's going --

STEVE STRICKER: Yeah, that was an unbelievable round. He played so well and it was fun to watch. He didn't miss any shots. He drove it in the fairway long and straight, hit great irons, made a lot of nice putts. It looked effortless for him today. He played great, and that's what's out there on this course. If you can put it in play off the tee and with some length like he has, and soft conditions, you can -- you can make some birdies, but it can also jump up and get you, too.

Q. I would think some people would get sucked into thinking it's a match play situation?

STEVE STRICKER: It's way too early yet, you know. Like I said, I just wanted to keep hanging around, take care of what I need to do. I thought if I could get under par today, I'd be all right. Just couldn't shake any in on the last few holes, but I'm in a good spot.

Q. What did you do after the morning?

STEVE STRICKER: Yeah, it was a weird day. You come out and you hit one shot and one putt, then we went back and laid down and nearly fell asleep. Watched tennis and the golf. So it was kind of a long day, too.

Q. Too bad you couldn't sleep.

STEVE STRICKER: Yeah, no kidding.

Q. Did you have a couple breakfasts?

STEVE STRICKER: Yeah, multiple lunches and breakfasts. Yeah, that's what you do in these rain delays is eat, I guess. Yeah, we're going to go eat now again.