

Q. How did it go today?

TOM BYRUM: Putter showed up today for a change, still hit it pretty good, maybe not as good as I've been hitting it, but the putter saved me more than it had. I've been fighting a little balky putter the last couple of weeks, and today was pretty good. Missed a short one on the first hole, but other than that I made some good putts.

Q. You ended with three birdies in a row to work your way even more into it.

TOM BYRUM: Yeah, the putter, like I said, showed up. If I missed a green or chipped it up there and I needed to make one, seemed like made it, instead of hitting a bad putt, hit a good putt, usually, so it was a nice change.

Q. Did you make any long ones?

TOM BYRUM: Yeah, the last hole was a pretty nice long one.

Q. How far, would you guess?

TOM BYRUM: 22 feet.

Q. Okay, okay.

TOM BYRUM: Somewhere in there. 16 I made one from just off the edge that rolled by, probably 25, 26 feet.

Q. Nice.

TOM BYRUM: So, yeah, and then made a tap-in on 17. Other than that they were all fairly -- I made one other long one somewhere I hit the pin in -- oh it was on the par 5, third hole, my first birdie. I hit it past the hole 35 feet and made that.

Q. Geez.

TOM BYRUM: Made some nice putts today.

Q. Tomorrow will be fun.

TOM BYRUM: Sure will be.

Q. Looking forward to it?

TOM BYRUM: Yeah, yeah. I don't know how I stand.

Q. There are six or seven guys at 10.

TOM BYRUM: Tied for the lead or what?

Q. Either -- Ames is at 11. In any case bunched at the top.

TOM BYRUM: Bunched up everywhere it looked like. All right.

Q. When is the last time on a Sunday you were at the cusp?

TOM BYRUM: Last week.

Q. I didn't remember that.

TOM BYRUM: Last week I was right there. If I could have played well enough. I don't think I could have beat Bernhard the way he came out of the box but I was in contention. Then I played really bad, and he played really good so you didn't notice me.

Q. In any case a strong start to the season?

TOM BYRUM: I'm very surprised how well I've been scoring. I haven't been having that great of golf in the off-season, wasn't impressed with anything I was doing, and I guess I was saving it for the tournament, so it's kinda it's showing up.

Q. Hopefully you have one more in the bag for tomorrow.

TOM BYRUM: Thanks. See you guys.