

ROUND 2 INTERVIEW
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DAN OLSEN **-10**

Q. Are you enjoying yourself out here?

DAN OLSEN: World-class players, when they qualify, and it's a pleasure for me.

Q. You're bogey free through two rounds.

DAN OLSEN: I thought about that when I hammered that last putt. I'm like, don't do it here. I squirreled an iron into that green, which is easy to do because it's tough conditions, and I thought you know what? If you short-arm this, I'm going to be disappointed. You know, short-arming it is not giving it enough energy, and I gave it way too much. But this is really fun for me.

Q. How far was the last putt?

DAN OLSEN: Probably 30 feet.

Q. Nice.

DAN OLSEN: Yeah. Well, the one I made was about 7.

Q. 18, I'm talking about.

DAN OLSEN: I had a 30 and then a 6 or 7. But these are professional events. The Tour staff is very professional. It's just really nice to play an event that's really well put together.

Q. Different?

DAN OLSEN: For me, yeah.

Q. For you.

DAN OLSEN: Because I'm not used to playing with guys that do everything right. Because they're experienced.

Q. How about tomorrow?

DAN OLSEN: I'm just going to try to hit the fairway, then play smart into the green and not freak out.

Q. What did it mean to you first to qualify, then three days in you're in this position?

Does the experience change at this point?

DAN OLSEN: Well, yeah, because you plan for success, but then you're pleasantly surprised when pieces come together. So the Tuesday qualifiers are really, really good, tough competition. There's a lot of world-class players there that want to get in. It's an exclusive Tour and an exclusive event. I'm happy to try to fit in with good play and just the proper way to operate. It's really fun for me.

Q. Have you met your expectations? Have you exceeded your expectations?

DAN OLSEN: Well, you readjust them. You don't want to fall out of a tree just because you're up high. I know these guys. I've known them since the 80s, a lot of them, and I definitely have heard of them. Brian Claar, Tour staff is a great player. Billy Ray Brown was fantastic. We're surrounded with great people and great golfers. It's really neat.

Q. Through two days do you feel like you've proven to yourself that I belong here. I can do this?

DAN OLSEN: Yeah, but you've got to finish. You can know you belong somewhere, but there is not enough spots, so you have to finish. So it's not landed. You don't party until all three wheels are stopped and you're at the gate. I'm just going to play smart and try to have fun. You have to trust. That's what I'm trying to do. It was great to talk to you. What a great problem; right?

Q. Yeah. Good luck tomorrow.