

SCOTT McCARRON (-4 through 16)

Q. Just how did the course play and making adjustments with the weather and the wind?

SCOTT McCARRON: The course played extremely difficult today. The wind was fairly strong and it swirls back there in the trees, so it's very difficult to guess what direction it was, what clubs to hit, start lines. I just thought it was very difficult, tough to putt, everything.

Q. Given that five birdies in the first 15 holes you played makes you pretty happy?

SCOTT McCARRON: It was one of those days you were just grinding it out. I hit it close quite a few times. Could have made some other ones from inside 10 feet and I didn't make them. But, you know, I'm happy with 4 under right now. I've got a hole and a half to play, 8 and 9, so maybe make another birdie or something like that, it would be great. Yeah, I thought I played pretty solid today.

Q. I know the course is -- first of all, there's a new nine and the others have been redesigned a little bit, renovated.

SCOTT McCARRON: Right.

Q. But two of your wins on the PGA TOUR came on this course.

SCOTT McCARRON: Correct, correct.

Q. So, you know, did you feel a little extra comfort level at all?

SCOTT McCARRON: You would think so. You know, I tell you what, I thought the new nine was extremely difficult when I played in the practice round Tuesday and when I played yesterday in the pro-am. Even though this other nine's very familiar, the back nine, which is familiar to me, the other nine, I thought it was tough and difficult to learn because the greens are big. How aggressive can you be off the tees, and especially with the bunkering with the way the bunkering is, you've got to avoid the bunkers.

You've got some tough par 3s on that nine. Today that little downhill one played so difficult. With it being windy, it was tough to judge what to hit there. So you would think I would have been a little more comfortable. I wasn't that comfortable when I teed off today, honestly, knowing how hard it was going to be.

Q. It doesn't seem like anybody was all that comfortable.

SCOTT McCARRON: No, no. It's hard.

Q. Were you conservative out there?

SCOTT McCARRON: Yeah, you've definitely got to be a little conservative because you've got to keep the ball in play. That's the main thing, because a couple of these greens on that new nine, if you miss them in the wrong place, they can run away 20, 30, 40 yards down the hill. So you look at 1, 3, I mean so many of these holes that can just run off into double bogey land quickly.

Q. And just reset for tomorrow?

SCOTT McCARRON: Yeah, got to get up early in the morning. I've got about 118 yards to the par 5 for my third shot and then play 9, and then I'll have a little break before we come back out again. We were trying, we were thinking we could finish, and over on 8 it's like probably the darkest part of the golf course there with all the trees there, and it started raining and we're like, oh, we're not going to make it now. Then they blew the horn so we couldn't finish.