

ROUND 1 INTERVIEW
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BILLY ANDRADE (-6)

Q. So, overall, how did the round feel today, getting Round 1 out of the way?

BILLY ANDRADE: Yeah, it was great. Those first eight holes were a lot nicer than I thought they were going to be. I thought they were going to be pretty wet. Those holes were good.

Had a great finish today, birdied five of the last six. Birdied the last four, which was nice. The scoring's always good here.

So I like the way I played today, I played nicely, had one bogey. So Round 1's good. I can't wait to start Round 2.

Q. Do you almost wish the second round could start simultaneously?

BILLY ANDRADE: No, not at our age. I think we're pretty happy taking some time off, have a nice dinner and wake up and start again tomorrow. Eighteen holes is fine.

Q. Do you feel like you're in the zone when you start making all those birdies in a row? Can you like sense it?

BILLY ANDRADE: Well, you know, you hit some good shots -- I hit some good shots early, I had a lot of chances at birdie and didn't make them. So when you have the opportunities, you like to capitalize on them, so it was nice. I had a nice birdie at 16, a nice birdie putt at 17 that went in. Those sometimes don't go in and it derails your round, but it was nice to finish the way I did.

Q. On 17, when you hit a birdie putt like that, what's it like to kind of hear the fans roar with it?

BILLY ANDRADE: Yeah, it's great. That's what you dream about doing, to make birdies in front of people, especially a hole like that where there was a lot of people watching. Yeah, it's always fun. Usually we do it in front of nobody and it's a little different, so it's nice to do it in front of the fans.

Q. Who's the young man on the bag over there for you?

BILLY ANDRADE: It's my son. I called him on Sunday, see if he could caddie this week. My regular caddie's son is playing high school baseball back in Rhode Island and he's there in the playoffs, so he didn't want to miss too many games, so I gave him the week off and

asked my son to do it. He's done it before a few times and it's always nice to have family with you.

Q. More special having him on the bag?

BILLY ANDRADE: Yeah, it's great. He knows what he's doing, he's good at it, and yeah, it's really cool to have your kid with you.

Q. Got to start a new tradition. Lehman had his daughter on the bag last year.

BILLY ANDRADE: Yeah, that would be cool. You know, just don't ask me to have my daughter on the bag, okay, and then everything will be fine.

Q. You came close a couple years ago, so is there a pretty confident feel for you on this course?

BILLY ANDRADE: I really enjoy this place. It reminds me a lot of where I grew up in Rhode Island, tree-lined fairways, up and down, a few blind shots here and there, tricky greens, so I feel very comfortable here. A lot of guys feel comfortable here, that's why they keep coming back. To me, it's a course that fits my eye, I enjoy it and I've had some success here, but I haven't won yet. So hopefully I'll have a chance Sunday.

Q. The MLB logo on the top of the hat, not many golfers out here sporting MLB logos.

BILLY ANDRADE: Right. Yeah, I got to be friends with the folks there and they like doing a little cross promotion. It's interesting how people are like, "What the hell do you have an MLB hat on for? This is a golf tournament." But it's good and, you know, when friends need tickets, I'm the ticket guy.