ROUND 2 INTERVIEW September 21, 2019

TOM BYRUM (-2)



Q. Tom, had to feel good to finish the way that you did today.

TOM BYRUM: Yes. It was a nice back nine. I finally got something going a little bit and, you know, a couple of putts, but I played pretty good on the back nine. Front nine was a little sloppy.

Q. Talk about that eagle chip out of the bunker, I believe.

TOM BYRUM: Yeah, bunker shot.

Q. Yeah, sorry, bunker shot. Is that one you just hope goes in and this time it did?

TOM BYRUM: Well, I kind of had a feeling before I got in there that it could go in. It was just straight downhill and I just needed to land it in the right spot. It came off right where I was hoping it would and obviously it just ran right to the hole. I saw it go in before I got in the bunker, which was kind of weird, but I told my caddie that I saw it go in twice. Funny how that happens.

Q. I imagine this is a good spot for you to be going into the final round of the tournament. You're not too far off the pace, but you put yourself in a position to contend on Sunday?

TOM BYRUM: Yeah, yeah, if I can get off to a good start and make some putts. I haven't really had the hot putter I had the last couple weeks, but it seems like it's getting better. Nice one on the last hole felt really good, so I think that's a confidence builder. Then made a nice par putt on 17, so it feels like my putting's starting to come around. If I can just start hitting them in there and giving myself chances, that would be great.

Q. How did the course play today compared to yesterday when there was so much wind?

TOM BYRUM: I think it's still playing hard. The fairways are firm and the rough's up, and there is enough wind that you've got to pay attention, it will take a bad shot still. You've got to hit quality shots to score on the course or you've got to recover super well, and it's tough to recover, these greens are fast. It's tough to chip and putt in the wind, but it wasn't as bad today.