

ROUND 1 INTERVIEW
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DAVID MORLAND IV (-6)

Q. Can you take us through that back nine there where things really took off for you?

DAVID MORLAND IV: Yeah. The front side I got a little wild with the driver on a couple holes, but made some good putts. Rolled a good one on 10 that just missed and then made four in a row, 11 through 14. Then the bomb on 17, that was just a bonus. I think my caddie said it was like 97 feet. Wasn't expected to make that one, but glad it went in.

Q. And you definitely had probably one of the bigger crowds that we saw following a group today. What was it like having them behind you as the top Canadian of the day?

DAVID MORLAND IV: It's good. It's always great coming home, playing in Canada. Bonus playing well, and let's see if we can have a Canadian win by the end of the week.

Q. You haven't had a chance to play a lot, I know you're trying to Monday. What's the challenge of keeping up with these guys when you don't get to compete with them every week?

DAVID MORLAND IV: I mean, I'm still competing at different levels; I'm not playing here. But the toughest thing is playing the number of events matching the other guys. Right now my goal is to finish somewhere top 36 to 54 by the end of the Playoffs, that way I can avoid Q-School at all costs.

Q. You wear the belt buckle often, the Canadian?

DAVID MORLAND IV: Definitely in Canada, for sure, and probably once a week for tournaments.

Q. The one on 17, did you putt that or was it --

DAVID MORLAND IV: I did putt it, yeah. I thought about chipping it because there was a lot going on with the putter. I even called my caddie in, I said, "Which way's this thing going?" Hit it on a good line with good speed and it went in.

Q. Was it a pretty big ovation?

DAVID MORLAND IV: It was pretty big, yeah. I think I gave myself an ovation.

Q. On this finishing hole, this one is a finishing hole for this tournament?

DAVID MORLAND IV: Yeah, no, it's great. I tucked my third shot in there a little left of where I wanted to. I was trying to feed it in from behind the hole. You know, overall, pleased. Anytime you shoot 64 you've got to be pleased.

Q. Sounds like you're within striking distance?

DAVID MORLAND IV: Absolutely. You don't win or lose the golf tournament on the first day, you just try to get yourself in contention. The goal is to be somewhere around the lead late Sunday.

Q. So for tomorrow, do you use this performance to kind of bolster yourself or do you put it behind you and just treat tomorrow as a fresh slate?

DAVID MORLAND IV: Tomorrow's a new day. You know, it's one shot at a time, hit the fairway, hit it on the green and try and make some putts. At the end of 54 holes, you add them up and hopefully you're lower than everybody else.