

**ROUND 1 INTERVIEW**  
**September 13, 2019**



**WOODY AUSTIN (-4)**

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**Q. Got to be happy with the start in the first round?**

**WOODY AUSTIN:** Oh, yeah, absolutely. Didn't really play as well as I've been playing. My short game was really good today, really got it up and down real well today.

**Q. How important, too, is it this late in the season, kind of the push the last few events?**

**WOODY AUSTIN:** Yeah. I mean, you want to be in that top 10 for sure going into the Playoffs so that you have a legitimate shot. Scott's so far in front, so you'd better make sure you're at least in the top 10 with a chance to win one of those to get close to him. It's very important.

**Q. How much do you still enjoy coming back to this place?**

**WOODY AUSTIN:** Well, obviously it's only our second year back, but yeah, it is nice. I mean, I had some -- obviously I won the first year, but I also had some good finishes after that. It was always a great place for me to come back, so I'm happy to be back.

**Q. I know obviously the back nine you didn't do as well as the front today, struggled a little bit, but how do you maybe learn from that heading into tomorrow?**

**WOODY AUSTIN:** Well, again, I just didn't hit it as good today. I think I wasted it yesterday in the pro-am because I played really good in the pro-am yesterday. I mean, that's the way it goes. But the greatest thing about it is my short game was so solid today, I never even -- even though I missed greens, I never even had a putt for par. I almost chipped in four times. I chipped it like this (indicating) three times. So it was pretty impressive.