

ROUND 2 INTERVIEW
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WOODY AUSTIN (-11)

Q. Well, some kind of back nine there for you.

WOODY AUSTIN: Yeah, yeah. I got -- you know, I've said all along, golf's become nothing but a putting contest and I putted like Jordan Spieth on the back nine.

Q. On 16, I don't know, how far was that, 30 something?

WOODY AUSTIN: Oh, no, it was probably at least 40. It might have been more than that. It was good when the ball landed, it was just the backspin that kind of made it really ugly.

Q. The best round so far of anyone today. I mean, got to feel good. Did you have the right kind of mindset heading into today?

WOODY AUSTIN: Yeah, it was kind of crazy. I've been putting with the same putter, which is really good for me, for like the last two years. And the head came loose in Canada and it's a special fixture, so you can't just fix it. So I had to send it back to the putter studio and I just got it back yesterday, so I didn't putt with it the first day.

So I got it back and I putted with it today and I missed maybe a two-footer on the first hole, two-and-a-half-footer for par on the first hole, so you're like, uh-oh. And then after that I putted like Jordan and Brad Faxon after that. But after that first hole you're like, uh-oh, maybe I should have given it a day, but it worked out in the long run.

Q. And maybe you putted like you did back in '95 when you won here. You're a shot back. Does it bring up memories of winning here again?

WOODY AUSTIN: Oh, sure, absolutely. Like I said, we all say you have good memories, you have good feelings about certain golf courses, and this is one of the good golf courses. I mean, you have to drive it straight. It's not overly hard, but there's a lot of trees on a lot of holes, so if you're not driving it straight, which usually is a pretty good strength of mine is ball striking, I've always been a great ball-striker, I've just struggled getting the ball in the hole. Today that back nine, the ball started falling in from everywhere.

Q. How low do you think you need to go tomorrow?

WOODY AUSTIN: It's hard to say. It's like anything, even though Jerry's playing good and I'm playing good, it's really hard to follow up really low rounds with other low rounds. So we're going to have to go somewhere because somebody behind us is going to go low. Yeah, but it's hard to back up low with low.

Q. I don't know off the top of my head what your best score here ever was.

WOODY AUSTIN: Oh, I shot 63 the first round. I had it 10 under through 17 one year. I bogeyed nine for 63. Yeah, I've gone low here.