FRED COUPLES



Q. All right, Fred. Great playing today. Solid round of golf. What was the key to this solid round?

FRED COUPLES: Well, I think I judged the wind pretty well today. And I made a lot of short birdie putts. But overall, I drove it really well. If I would have known -- even though Scott struggled, left his driver on 17. I just took 3-wood, thinking I want to get it in play. So little things like that, because I don't know the course. This is the third round I have ever played here. Obviously, the wind blew the other way in the pro-am, and now it's blowing the other way. So I judged everything pretty well, and I putted well.

And I like it, I like the course. Really small greens. Kind of fits my eye. And tomorrow is another big day. I would like to keep playing well and see if I can get a W here.

Q. Speaking of tomorrow, will you use some of that advantage what you learned today in the game plan for tomorrow?

FRED COUPLES: Well, if the wind is blowing the same way as it is today, I think that will at least help my game. I can only worry about my game. But it's a tricky little course. But again I drove it pretty well today. You saw most of it. I tried to keep it in play. A lot of 3-woods. And my wedge game seems to be pretty sharp. And I got it up and down a couple times all the same, too.

Q. Well, one of the things you did, you birdied all three par 5s.

FRED COUPLES: Right.

Q. That had to be huge.

FRED COUPLES: No, it was. Yesterday I kind of butchered them. I don't think I birdied any of them yesterday. When I finished, I was not disappointed, because I felt like it's my first real round on the course. But today getting all par 5s, you're going to have a better score, especially -- I didn't have any bogeys, and I like birdieing par 5s.

Q. All right. Thanks for your time. Good luck tomorrow.

FRED COUPLES: Thank you.

Q. Thanks, Fred.