

ROUND 2 INTERVIEW
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Q. Nice finish, wasn't it?

SCOTT McCARRON: Yeah, it was a good finish, yeah.

Q. Three of the last four?

SCOTT McCARRON: Three of the last four. Just tried to stay patient all day. It was very difficult, hole locations were tough and I hit a lot of good putts that just weren't quite going in, yet today was a day I kind of had to stay patient a little bit and I did a good job of that. Three of the last four, so it was good.

Q. Was it tough after your start, because you left a couple out there on 1 and 2?

SCOTT McCARRON: Well, certainly, you know, not birdieing 1 after driving in the bunker. I didn't have a very good lie. And then 2, I hit it close there and hit a good putt and it didn't go in. One of those things, you've got to play well.

I'm a little disappointed in a couple of those shots. I missed left side of the green on 8, which is almost impossible to get up and down. You can't do that there. You need it right all day and you don't have a chance. And I also managed to hit left on 6. Again, you just can't miss it left on those greens, on those holes and I did, unfortunately made mistakes and it cost me.

Q. (Inaudible.)

SCOTT McCARRON: On 8 was a very good bogey, yeah, because that putt -- you saw Ken Duke's putt. I mean, I thought it was going to stop about a foot from the hole and it kept going and I'm like, oh, this is great. Yeah, all in all, pretty good day. Obviously Ernie played a great round today and David Morland hung in there nicely, played some nice golf, hit a lot of good shots. Ken Duke played really well, too.

Q. And you're in position tomorrow?

SCOTT McCARRON: And we're in position tomorrow. We'll be probably in the final group and get to see if we can go out there and shoot a low number.

Q. What works for you on this course? This is like the third year in a row you're in contention.

SCOTT McCARRON: Well, I don't know about this course; a lot of courses I play well at, not just this course, but I like this golf course. The par 5s I can reach, a couple par 4s I can drive it up there close and it just fits my eye. I've always loved playing here, Newport Country Club, and I like being back in southern California where I lived for eight years, so it's nice to be back.