

ROUND 2 INTERVIEW
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WOODY AUSTIN (-11)

Q. Another impressive round today, birdied 18 and you're at 11. Thoughts on your performance today?

WOODY AUSTIN: Pretty much the same as yesterday. I didn't make two eagles today, so got a lot out of the round again. I've got to sharpen up the putter. I three-putted three times in the two days, so that needs to -- I need to sharpen that up.

Unfortunately for me, the morning guys got away without the wind. But like I said yesterday, I need the wind and it at least keeps all the guys that started with me from getting away from me. The other guys caught up, but they didn't -- the guys with me, because of the wind that we had to deal with all afternoon, they didn't get away from me.

So like I said, I'm a rarity, I need the wind because my game's not sharp. You can see the last two holes when I try to hit a full shot, I'm a little off. But I'm able to keep the ball in play with the wind. I like to play shots anyway. As long as the wind blows, I feel like I have a chance. If the wind dies down and it becomes a low ball contest, I don't like my chances.

Q. So are you a leaderboard watcher?

WOODY AUSTIN: I am, I am. I don't know how somebody says that they're not. I don't know how you can walk around for four and a half hours or four hours and just sit there and not, when they're right by the green and say you didn't see it. Not saying that you have to look at it, but how can you not see it?

Yeah, I like to watch. I watched today because I saw those guys, Ernie off real quick. What was he, like 6 under after seven? Stuff like that, you're like yeah, you want to see how the course is playing. But when we teed off, next thing you know the wind's blowing. Well, I ain't going to do that. But I knew the way the wind was blowing, Bernhard and Miguel, and KP was playing with me, they were going to have to play really good to get away from me so that's what I liked. I like that.

Q. Can you talk about the 18th hole? Looked like you were way off to the right.

WOODY AUSTIN: I was going to hit a hard drive down the left side and let the wind -- and I completely lost it. Once it got up in the wind, the wind said "thank you very much" and took it way right. So I don't think you're supposed to have 4-iron in the 18th hole, but I hit a beautiful little low little runner and gave myself a birdie putt that I made. I don't think too many people have had 4-iron into that hole before.