

BO VAN PELT PRESS CONFERENCE (POST ROUND 2)
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Bo, we'll start with the end of the round. It sounds like you made a long putt for par on the last hole, talk us through that.

I mean, I hit it where I wanted off the tee and you know, just probably tried to get a little cute with that wedge. It was one yard short, it came down in a bad spot. And then, I completely missed the hill, didn't hit a very good shot. So, you know, just trying to get it down there close and mitigate the damage and sometimes, it just gets in the way. I was lucky to come out with a make there on the last.

Looking at your round today, you go out with a 29, just tell us about that fast start.

Yeah, I played solid yesterday and just kind of kept it in play, drove it, and my speed was good with the putter. I just kind of got off to a fast start, which was nice. I really hit it pretty good on the back nine, though I hit a couple not great wedges, like on the last six holes. I thought I hit a pretty good drive on the par 5 and ended up a yard in the rough. This course, if you drive it in play, you can take advantage. But if you're just a little off, you know, as firm as it is, it's tough. So, then the key was just driving it good and the putter had good speed with it.

Bo, you're still getting your feet wet out here. What's the difference about playing out here versus the regular tour?

For me, it was learning the flow of the week a little bit. Like, you know, three rounds versus four, some weeks you're in one pro-am, some weeks you're in two. You know, do I take a cart? Do I not take a cart? You play the regular tour for so long, you kind of knew the flow of weeks like that and we're all creatures of habit, right? So, it's just kind of finding what makes you get ready to play on Friday because ultimately, that's the goal, right? Friday, Saturday, Sunday, you got to be locked in and ready to play because these guys out here are really good. Maybe it just took me a little bit, and I think learning the golf courses a little bit, like a couple of times just missing it in the wrong spots, it kind of killed some momentum of rounds that probably ended up looking worse than what they were.

But it's been great. You know, I was out of golf for four years. I probably never thought I was going to play again. So, to get to play out here, playing on the Legends Tour, some in Europe, I feel like the luckiest guy in the world.

What is it about out here that surprises you?

I started watching guys play out here probably the last two years when I knew I was getting close. And I knew how good guys played, so I think that's the easiest answer is to say guys play well. But I've been watching, so I kind of knew.

I think this week's a testament. I think that the Champions Tour is very well supported. They come to great cities like Sioux Falls, Des Moines, and Flint, people that love golf. It's great that we get to come here and they let us come here, so that's been really fun. I think probably a misnomer is that guys don't work hard. But, you know, I go in the gym every time before the round and it looks like the PGA Tour. There's a bunch of guys in there warming up and going afterwards, so I think that's the standard, right? Like, if you're going to compete and try to play well, you got to keep doing the same things you were doing when you were trying to play good at 25 or 28.