

ROUND 2 INTERVIEW: KEVIN SUTHERLAND
Friday, May 15, 2015



Q. You tore through that front nine and eagle on 11. What was going well for you today?

KEVIN SUTHERLAND: Well, I just hit a lot of good tee shots and I made a lot of nice putts. I thought I played pretty smart today. But I gave myself a lot of opportunities today, probably a lot more opportunities than I did yesterday and I just happened to make a few and didn't get myself in too much trouble for the most part.

Q. Some people were saying the course played a little easier today, some said no change. What was your take?

KEVIN SUTHERLAND: Maybe no change. I thought the greens were maybe a little bit more receptive and I thought, just my total opinion, I thought the greens may have been a little bit slower, but that could have been just me. So I thought that it was ripe for the scoring today, but it played very similar to yesterday.

Q. You're in the driver's seat heading into the weekend. How do you keep this momentum going?

KEVIN SUTHERLAND: Just got to keep the ball in the fairway. I think if you hit the ball in the fairway around here, you're going to give yourself a lot of good chances. I've been driving the ball well the last two days and I think that's the key for me tomorrow.

Q. I think the weather was a concern for today but it ended up being great. Maybe going into the weekend, have you thought about that a little bit?

KEVIN SUTHERLAND: No, I didn't. You can't do anything about that, it is what it is. Yeah, we've got a beautiful day today and we got the round in and hopefully that happens this weekend.

Q. (No microphone.)

KEVIN SUTHERLAND: It was downwind and I just tried to just cut a hybrid in the middle of the green, I just overcut it a little bit and the pin was on the right. It landed over the bunker, and next thing I know the ball came to an abrupt stop and they said it banged -- it was rolling, hit the pin, just kind of bounced over back to the front edge.

Q. Any other key birdies for you today, any that stood out, or saves?

KEVIN SUTHERLAND: You know, I didn't have any great saves today. I did have a couple bogeys, but one thing that was nice, I three-putted 4. It was a hard two-putt, it's hard to

blame my putter for that. I hit a bad tee shot and it was left side of the green and two-putted. But to get the birdie back after I hit a good shot on 5, played really solid, just lipped a putt out and then I made birdie, made another birdie after that, and then made another birdie. So it was kind of like I just did the same thing I did yesterday, made a bogey and just kind of washed it away with some birdies. It's always nice to get those back fast.

Q. And what happened on the last bogey that kind of put you in a tie with --

KEVIN SUTHERLAND: You know, I hit a good drive and I overswung. It was a full pitching wedge and I just made a bad swing, I just came way over it and hit it left of the green. It hit the edge of the green and kicked hard left. I was in a really difficult spot and I made bogey. It was one of those things where you could make a par, but more times than not you're probably going to make bogey and I hit a bad swing and paid the price.

Q. What's your feeling, mindset going into the weekend? You've got a two-shot, maybe one-shot lead depending on what happens here.

KEVIN SUTHERLAND: It's the same as it was the first two days, get the ball in the fairway and see what happens from there. That's what you need to do here, did it the last two days. Also, just kind of have fun and enjoy the moment.