

ROUND 3 INTERVIEW: PATRICK REED
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Q. How important was that back nine 31, don't want to say you were out of it but to put yourself back in contention there?

PATRICK REED: It definitely kept me in it. Coming out as flat as I did early and just didn't really make any putts and seeing Bubba going birdie-birdie-par-eagle and shoot 5 under on that front nine, just I knew I had to do something because that back nine's gettable, especially with the wind laying down like they were today. Just one of those things that I finally made a putt and it just kind of propelled me from there, making that putt on 11 and then hitting it to two feet on 12 just kind of kept the round going.

Q. You're going to be chasing the lead out here tomorrow. How low do you think you need to go out here to be in contention down the stretch?

PATRICK REED: Who knows. I know I'll have to go low, but if the wind blows and it's supposed to rain like they say it's supposed to. They said it was supposed to rain today and it didn't come, so it just all depends on weather. If it's nasty weather, then you're going to be able to shoot a little higher number, but if it's good weather, you're going to have to go shoot 63, 64 tomorrow.

Q. All right, Patrick. You're out here at one of the most beautiful places in the world, the wind's laid down, soft greens, soft fairways, you go out and shoot 6 under par. You've still got some work to do tomorrow but you've got to feel like you're in a good place?

PATRICK REED: Yeah, for sure. Making the turn at 1 under and feeling like I wasn't making any putts. I hit it okay. But to come on that back nine, get to 11 and get a good bunker shot, finally make a putt there just kind of propelled the round where I was able to get it going. Anytime you can shoot 5 under your last eight, it just gives you that momentum going into tomorrow. Hopefully I can keep that momentum going and start it earlier rather than the back nine because if the conditions are like they are these past couple days where there's been very little wind and no real weather, I'm going to have to go shoot 63, 62 to have a chance.