

**ROUND 2 INTERVIEW**  
**August 3, 2018**

**KYLE STANLEY (-9)**



**Q. Your iron play's been exceptional, but your driving accuracy's just off the charts. How important has that club been for you and where you stand right now?**

**KYLE STANLEY:** Yeah, it's pretty important out here. You know, the rough is close to drying out a little bit and the rough is getting a little bit more difficult to play out of. Yeah, driving's a strength of my game, so out here I can kind of play to that. I hit a lot of fairways this week, so overall I feel pretty good.

**Q. Birdied 11, then you go double, bogey and rebound with a birdie. How big was that birdie at 14?**

**KYLE STANLEY:** Yeah, it was big. Had a little bit of a hiccup there on the par 3 and then a bogey after that. You know, overall I wasn't quite as solid as I was yesterday, but felt like I hung in there.

**Q. How would you assess your round out there today?**

**KYLE STANLEY:** Yeah, I mean, for the most part, pretty solid. Wasn't quite as sharp as I was yesterday, but I thought the course was maybe playing a little bit more difficult, not quite as soft and receptive as maybe it was yesterday. You know, playing in the afternoon, the greens are going to be a little bit more bumpy than teeing off in the morning. But yeah, overall, fairly happy with it.

**Q. Lost your concentration there, is that what kind of happened on 12?**

**KYLE STANLEY:** You know, I took my time over it. I certainly didn't rush it. I mean, I really don't know what happened there. You know, we were able to birdie a hole a couple holes later and, you know, kind of hung on after that. It happens, just got to move on.

**Q. What would you say happened on 5 and 7 that allowed you to score the two par 3s on the front?**

**KYLE STANLEY:** 5 and 7?

**Q. You had the shot out of the intermediate --**

**KYLE STANLEY:** Yeah, you know, 5, I didn't really hit the best approach in there but hit a pretty good putt, probably a 20-footer with quite a bit of break. And got away with one on 7 there. Probably should have hit a 5-iron, hit a 6 that came up a little bit short. But my lie in

the rough was okay and there wasn't really much movement to that pitch and fortunately got the speed right. Yeah, it was nice to pick up a couple there.

**Q. Is there something about you and Ohio golf this year?**

**KYLE STANLEY:** I don't know. I mean, I play well in this state. You know, a lot of the conditions are pretty similar to what I play back home in Washington state, so comfortable with the conditions. But I feel like I've been playing, for the most part, pretty solid and that kind of transfers over to, you know, really any golf course.