

ROUND 1 INTERVIEW
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ABRAHAM ANCER (-6)



Q. Today you really had it going. The double bogey derailed you a little bit, but then you bounced back with a couple birdies?

ABRAHAM ANCER: Yeah, I played really nice today, just the blemish on 11, wish I could take it back. Yeah, I played really good other than that. I felt really confident off the tee, hitting my second shots and putting was really good.

Q. You've had a good summer, we've had you on the radio quite a bit calling a lot of shots. You come in 84th in FedExCup points, you're playing really well right now.

ABRAHAM ANCER: Yeah, it's been a really nice summer. Really all year I felt like I played solid, nothing too crazy but just some solid golf. I'm trying to keep doing the same thing in the Playoffs.

Q. And we're finding out more about you, and as I walked with you today, I saw your yardage book. "El Turco" was at the top. Tell our listeners -- I didn't know what it meant. I know it means The Turk, but tell us how it came about.

ABRAHAM ANCER: So my last name comes from Syria. I guess my ancestors a long, long time ago were from there and then they moved to Mexico. But long story short, Ancer -- they called me like "Little Arab" growing up in Mexico. To Arabs in Mexico, some parts of South America, they call them Turks and it just kind of stuck. My buddies growing up called me El Turco and then it just stuck and now I kind of rep it in my yardage book.

Q. The putter, the putter cover, you have the dollar sign and it says, "Cash is king."

ABRAHAM ANCER: Yeah, you've got to pay the bills and the putter definitely can get you some cash out here if you get it rolling.

Q. Well, you had it all going today. Keep it going this week, I think you have good chance.

ABRAHAM ANCER: Thank you, appreciate it.

Q. Did you see the 59? What's your mindset when you go out there?

ABRAHAM ANCER: Well, I mean, it told me that it was very scorable out there. Obviously it was 11 under by Snedeker and then 6 under, so I knew he played really, really good golf. But there are definitely some birdies out there and I think the course is set up great. There's

a lot of birdie opportunities if you're in the fairway obviously, but you got to hit in the fairway out here, the rough is pretty penal.

Q. And then you go early tomorrow. Does that give you an advantage maybe tomorrow?

ABRAHAM ANCER: I mean, the greens are unbelievable throughout the day, so the ball rolled really nicely out here in the afternoon. Maybe. I mean, I think today wasn't too bad in the afternoon, it was nice. I mean, maybe. Obviously you want the cool temperatures and everything just being perfect, so yeah, it's always nice to tee it off in the morning.