

FINAL ROUND INTERVIEW
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NICK TAYLOR (-15)



Q. You're a virtual lock now to make the Playoffs and to keep your card. I want you to take me back to lunch. You shoot that 70 after the resumption, a couple of sloppy holes coming in, and then knowing what you had to do, what was that regrouping like before you went back out there?

NICK TAYLOR: Yeah. I think, honestly, I had a bit of a calm to be -- I was first off, kind of get in a flow. There was probably less pressure on me, to be honest, being 29th because I had to shoot a good round. I think I would have felt a little more pressure if I was in 12th and I had to maintain that position. I had to make about a 15-footer for par, which was huge to really not feel like I was giving another shot away. And then to make four in a row after that and really be steady going in. The par putt on 16 was massive. That was really not that bad of a tee shot, just kind of a tricky pin with that and it got a gust. Yeah, so the birdie at 18 was amazing. All in all, I couldn't ask for much more.

Q. You got off to the perfect start and it just seemed like nothing could really fall. You were hitting good shots, you were putting yourself in position, you were never really out of position out there coming down there. But you can pick your spot, whether it's 15, 16, or 18, how important was it and what was the conversation like knowing you probably needed to get a couple more coming in?

NICK TAYLOR: I think we didn't talk about numbers. You have a feeling of what you need to get. I saw the leaderboard on 18 that I was tied for 7th, I think, but with a bunch of guys. So it was important -- you know, it was important there to make par, but to get one ahead of that big bunch was huge to really virtually lock it. So we'll see. There's still some golf left, but it's a sweet ending, I guess. It's looking really good.

Q. You talk about the day and the process. You've won at every level, you know what it's like to come down the stretch and win golf tournaments. You weren't going to win the golf tournament, but it was pressure coming down the stretch. What was that last two hours of a round like coming down the stretch knowing what you had to do?

NICK TAYLOR: Yeah, you're really trying to focus on each shot. It's really hard. There's so many times where I'll jump ahead and imagine coming down 18 and really locking up my card. Yeah, it's hard. I said earlier that I shot 63 in the final round of the Web.com Finals to get my card my first year, so I was really drawing back on that. Similar round, I was early off, you try to draw back on experiences and today helped.

Q. Andy joked with me earlier this week that you hadn't booked anything for next week, you didn't know where it was going to go, weren't going to be superstitious.

Got a pretty good idea you will be playing golf next week. I just can't imagine what the weight is like that's off of you right now and how free this will be for the next couple of weeks for you?

NICK TAYLOR: Yeah, it will be honestly the rest of the day to kind of soak in and realize that we've finally done it. Yeah, it's been a long year. I really felt like I was playing well the last couple months and nothing's really been going my way, so it's really satisfying to finish it off.