

FINAL ROUND INTERVIEW
October 7, 2018

SAM RYDER (-13)



Q. That putt you made at 14, that par save kind of like just got you going a little bit, didn't it?

SAM RYDER: Yeah, a little bit. I was hitting a lot of really good quality iron shots all day. It's just hard because the greens were a couple steps slower today. Rightly so because of all the wind, they had to keep them a little bit slower, so it was hard for me to kind of adjust. Hit a lot of good putts that kind of just came up short, kind of missing just short and low.

But that was big for me just to feel like I played so well to that point. Even hit a really good iron shot there to get up and down and kind of keep things going. Yeah, it was fun to, you know, after seeing -- I was looking at the leaderboard and I saw Brandt kind of backed up a little bit, so I was like, you know, let's make a push. I know there's a logjam up there with guys at 12, 13, 14. Seeing Ryan Moore posted at 14, I would have really liked to make a birdie at the last, but it is what it is.

Q. The drive you hit at 18, I didn't see it, was it near the lip and that's why you had to lay up so far back?

SAM RYDER: Yeah, it was pretty close to the lip. I just had to hit a wedge out. It's something where you get too cute and you're trying to push it down too far, all of a sudden you hit the lip and you're making a bogey or a double. So it's one of those things, you take your medicine. I hit a really quality 8-iron from like 190 and it hit just barely on the green and just didn't have a chance to stop. Gave the chip a run, didn't leave it short. Happy to walk away with a par after having a testy this little five-footer.