

ROUND 3 INTERVIEW
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BILLY HORSCHEL (-15)

Q. How big were those two birdies after that bogey on 15?

BILLY HORSCHEL: Yeah, it was huge. I mean, when you're in the middle of the fairway, you've got 245 to the pin and you're not thinking -- at worst you're thinking birdie, maybe par, and I just -- Scott and I just got -- we just didn't think enough about the golf shot, where we were trying to leave it and land it and where we couldn't leave it.

It was just tough to make a bogey on a hole that you know you can get one shot back. And especially with Si Woo, I knew he was playing well. He hit some good golf shots, I knew he was going to at least get to 17 or 18. I knew I needed to make some birdies coming in. To make one at 16 and 18 was nice. This was my mess-up on 17 there, just had a bad number in my head that I was thinking instead of the correct number. But that was huge to make some birdies coming in.

Q. What was your mindset on 16 after you made that bogey?

BILLY HORSCHEL: Yeah, I mean, I was ticked off because I didn't make a bad swing. Not too bad. I tried to hit a high cut, I sort of double crossed it a little bit. But it was just bad course management, not a great thought process of what we were trying to do, where we were trying to leave it. We haven't done that too often, we've been really good thinking through shots compared to the last couple weeks, so Scotty and I have been on the same page. It was one mess-up, it happens. Unfortunately, it led to a bogey. You know, we've got a chance going into tomorrow, which is all I could ask for.

Q. How were course conditions out there? I mean, a lot of low scores today.

BILLY HORSCHEL: Yeah, a lot of low scores, pins were very accessible. Whenever you get ball in hand, it helps a lot. Greens were soft so you could be aggressive. Greens weren't nearly as quick. As I've said it all week, they're not as quick as what we're normally used to here, so you don't really have to worry about running a putt too far by. So it was -- you had to make birdies.

And I didn't really look at a leaderboard until I walked off 15 to see where I was and to see what I needed to do coming in to give myself a reasonable chance to make birdie or a reasonable chance to win tomorrow. I just know I need to make birdies and that's the way it's going to be tomorrow, head down and I'll come up for air after nine holes and see where I stand.

Q. Is that your mentality going into tomorrow, you've got to be aggressive?

BILLY HORSCHEL: Yeah. I think, you know, Si Woo's at 18, I mean, if he birdies No. 18, you're going to have to get to probably at least 22 I would say the way he's playing, if he plays anything like today. So I'm going to have to at least get to 20, 22 and we'll see what happens.

Q. Does a sprint like that where you've got to make a lot of birdies, does that suit you? Do you like that?

BILLY HORSCHEL: Yes and no. I mean, I'd rather have it where bad shots get rewarded -- or get penalized a little bit more. Not that they don't get it here, but with the course being so soft, you've still got to put the ball in the fairway to have a chance. If you're not doing that, it's tough to score around here.

So like I said, right now I'm good with it because I'm playing really good. I have no problem with a sprint, make a lot of birdies and see what happens. There's other times where you're not making a lot of birdies, you're making a lot of pars, you wish it was the other way around and par was a good score, but it's not that way this week.

Q. Do you feel like you haven't really had your low round yet? A lot of guys have already had a 61, 62, something like that.

BILLY HORSCHEL: Yeah, I shot 64 yesterday and that was a good low round, but I haven't had -- I say I haven't had a great putting week. I've hit a lot of good putts and I've been putting good this week, obviously I'm a really good putter, but I haven't made a lot of putts from 10 to 20 feet. I've hit a lot of good putts that just missed or lip out or go right over the edge. So if I can continue to hit my irons the way I have the last few days and see a few more putts go in, I could have that low round and that would be nice.