

ROUND 2 INTERVIEW
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BRYSON DeCHAMBEAU (-3)

Q. How were you 13 shots better today?

BRYSON DeCHAMBEAU: That's golf, first off. I think that based on a lot of better places, I didn't make the same mistakes. 16 I was able to hit it close to the fairway this time, didn't make triple there. Was able to take advantage of the par 5s, hit the drives where I needed to be for the most part and hit some nice putts today. The putt on 5 was awesome keeping the momentum going. To be honest, it's just a tale of golf, you can have both ends of the stick. I didn't play terrible yesterday, I just didn't get anything going my way, especially on that back nine. Had some bad mistakes and that's what happened. I made some good putts and good strokes today that just luck went my way today.

Q. Where were you at mentally last night?

BRYSON DeCHAMBEAU: Very down on myself. I mean, felt like I made some great changes this week and albeit they aren't perfect changes, I definitely didn't feel like I shot 5 over yesterday. I knew coming into this today just keep your head down and keep going in the right direction, try to keep going in the right direction making the same swing and I was fortunate enough to persevere today. It was a lot of perseverance, my caddie kept me strong and we just kept plodding along and making some great putts out there.

Q. What are the changes you're making?

BRYSON DeCHAMBEAU: Golf swing. There's some weird stuff going on now at high speeds. You could see it last year, I was hitting it really hard and it was going really far, but there was times it would go really far off the map as well. I'm trying to understand why those occur, and sometimes it's not necessarily golf swing. There's just technology that we don't know about yet that's hindering it unfortunately across the board. Nobody knows how to play a 200-mile an hour ball speed and barely mis-hit it, sometimes it doesn't react the way you think it should. So we've got to figure out what we're doing and Cobra and I are working really hard trying to figure it out. We're doing a great job and in a couple weeks I'll have some interesting stuff that will hopefully help mitigate some of those errors at high speeds so I can swing it fast again.

Q. Are you going to go bang balls?

BRYSON DeCHAMBEAU: Heck, yeah. I'm always trying to improve my golf swing. Didn't feel perfect out there or as comfortable as I think I should be. I'm just going to work on ingraining those feels a little bit better and hopefully I can miss it again in the right places like I did today. And also hit it a little bit better, that would be a great combo.

Q. With all the changes you've brought to golf, do you ever feel like there's a big microscope on your bad rounds? If Bryson has a bad round, it's not like anybody else having a bad round, the experiment might be failing or whatever?

BRYSON DeCHAMBEAU: Maybe, but for me -- how do I respond to that ...

Q. Do you care?

BRYSON DeCHAMBEAU: I do care obviously, because I want people to understand that I'm trying to make it good for the game of golf. I want people to see that I'm working as hard as I possibly can and trying to do it in a way that can show these amateur golfers there's an easier way to do it, and when I fail, I feel like I let everybody down for the most part. But for me, I've just got to keep plodding along and doing my best. I know I'll get there eventually.

Q. Do you carry the revolution on your shoulders?

BRYSON DeCHAMBEAU: Not -- I don't carry it all on my shoulders. Still, I want to play good golf on my own, too.