

MIKE WEIR

Q. Can you talk us through the back nine a little bit and twoshot swing on number 16?

MIKE WEIR: Yeah, I mean, just all day it's very it was demanding out there, let's say that. Yeah, I thought I hit a very good shot into 16 and obviously it hit really hard to get that far past the hole and left myself a tough shot, and Kevin made a great chip. I mean, that's golf. You can't play defense, you know. He made a great shot and we all hit good tee shots at 17. I was unfortunate to not have a gap and I was kind of under the tree and with the wind left to right it was difficult that I couldn't overcut it. I would hit the tree. So a couple little things, that's all it is. You get a little break here and there and that wins a tournament.

Q. How difficult were the conditions out there today?

MIKE WEIR: I mean, as tough as it gets. That's as tough as it gets out there, gusting I don't know how hard, but very hard. Tough to pick a club. I mean, on the last hole in particular it was blowing really hard and right as I was over the ball the wind just died down and I eased off the 6iron because the wind just died. Should have probably gone back and hit a 7iron, but it was right over the ball. So those kind of things happen sometimes when it's swirling around like that. It was difficult.

Q. It felt like the wind switched on your last putt, the last putt across the green?

MIKE WEIR: Yeah, it slowed that putt, a little gust slowed that putt up three or four feet really. It was tough, just a tough day out there.

Q. Sure. After the success you had on the back nine the first two days, would you have expected to not be able to get a birdie today on the entire green?

MIKE WEIR: Totally different conditions. The conditions were so difficult, I rolled a lot of nice putts I thought and nothing went in for me the last whatever, 12 holes or so. That was disappointing.

Q. This is your second secondplace finish out here. How do you feel about your game, what can you take from those experiences that can maybe give a different result next time?

MIKE WEIR: I've got to think about it. I need time to refresh and take some time to digest it and think about the little adjustments probably I need to make, but there wasn't

a lot to do different out there. I clearly didn't strike it quite as good as the first two days, but I didn't strike it poorly either. I just didn't really get much out of it. The front nine I did, but the back nine I didn't get much out of it at all.

Q. You were up by I don't know how many at No. 9. You were in really good position in the fairway and then you think you landed in the front bunker. Do you remember what happened on that?

MIKE WEIR: Yeah, just again uphill, the wind's gusting. Had a very thin lie. It was actually in the ground under repair but if I was going to take a drop I would have had to drop in the shade which the grass was no better over there because it was in the shade, so I decided to play off this thin lie and didn't quite catch it. I hit a pretty good shot, may have carried a yard, I'm on the green. So just the game, it's a game of inches sometimes.

Q. Thank you so much.