

**ROUND 2 INTERVIEW**  
**June 12, 2021**



**STEPHEN LEANEY (-7)**

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**Q. Played pretty flawless there on the back nine.**

**STEPHEN LEANEY:** It's playing very similar to an Australian course, actually.

**Q. Really?**

**STEPHEN LEANEY:** Because it's getting bouncy. Fairways are bouncy, greens are bouncy. There's holes you can land it short and run it in. You've really got to concentrate on where you want to land it on the greens, and it's very similar to what I play at home and I think that's why I played well here last time, just has that similar vibe to it.

**Q. Did I see a run of three birdies in a row on the back nine?**

**STEPHEN LEANEY:** I think so, yeah.

**Q. Anything special in those on that little run there?**

**STEPHEN LEANEY:** No, I just hit some good shots. I caught a couple bad breaks today, a couple of bad lies, but just sort of stayed patient. It's the first time all year I've made a bunch of putts, that's been the only difference. I've been playing -- I played well at the PGA and really didn't make anything all week and finished in the top 10. There's so many good players on this tour, if you don't hole your fair share, you're not going to win.

**Q. Right. So you've been striking it well, just getting --**

**STEPHEN LEANEY:** I'm fourth or fifth in greens in reg for the year and I'm like 65th in putting. I just need to have a hot week with the putter and I'll take advantage of my ball-striking.

**Q. Anything change about the course today from yesterday and anything that we can expect for tomorrow in terms of, you know --**

**STEPHEN LEANEY:** No, it will just dry up. The greens were a little soft early because it was sort of 10:00, but the back nine they got pretty crusty. I think if it stays that way tomorrow, it's just harder to hit it close because the greens get firmer, which is the way it should you be. Have to hit good shots to hit it close.