

ROUND 2 INTERVIEW
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MARIO TIZIANI (+7)

MARIO TIZIANI: I still -- honestly, I made one birdie and I made one birdie yesterday, so I think that's kind of -- that's not making up for any mistakes, which I'm not making a ton. It's just kind of making a lot of pars. It's kind of the state of my game. I don't feel like I got a lot of octane right now, but maybe tomorrow.

Q. After that bogey, a lot of pars. How many birdie chances, legit birdie chances?

MARIO TIZIANI: You know, I maybe had five or six inside 20 feet type thing. Didn't play the par 5s very well, made some just kind of -- just some mental errors as well. I just have to hit it a little closer. Honestly, to answer your question, it was a little better in terms of just hitting better shots.

Q. Who was more nervous on the first tee, you or Bobbi?

MARIO TIZIANI: I don't know. She didn't show she was nervous. She was great. It was nice to have her out there. I know she was a little nervous going in that she was going to say the right thing. Like I heard Steve say, just be you, don't try to be who you're not. It was great, it was fun.

Q. With Nicki yesterday, how did you guys decide to work that this week?

MARIO TIZIANI: Well, yeah, my other -- the caddie that I had didn't feel well, so Nicki subbed yesterday, and ultimately asked Bobbi last night if she wanted to do it. She was excited, so I'm excited to have her.

Q. What's the goal for tomorrow and anything you can take away from the first two days to finish off a memorable week?

MARIO TIZIANI: Yeah, I would like to get back to even would be kind of my goal. I mean, I think I can shoot a good score. I've got to get the speed of the greens right. I don't know if anybody else is struggling, but I am. It looked fast, they looked slow and I'm kind of the opposite right now in terms of how I hit them. Get off to a good start and take care of the par 5s, try to get back to even.

Q. Your first putt on 10, was that an example of you probably thought you had a downhill --

MARIO TIZIANI: Yeah, and I wasn't even close. Just kind of guessing wrong. I thought it was going to roll nice. It kind of got hung up in the fringe and I just did that all day, never got

the speed right, which is impossible to putt well doing that.

Q. Away from professional golf a little bit. I know you won the Minnesota State Open. What's it been like these past two days being back in a PGA TOUR-sanctioned event?

MARIO TIZIANI: It's been awesome, yeah. And I didn't really know how I was going to feel. I feel at home, honestly. I don't feel like I'm an outsider. It's good to see a lot of the guys that I know and have met being out here over a few years caddying a little bit. It's been awesome. I mean, it definitely, it definitely gets you excited, so anxious to work on my game.