

SCOTT STALLINGS (-12)

Q. Scott, that was an interesting round of golf, 30 on the front nine with a bogey. That putter was as unconscious as it's been in a long time. Good start.

SCOTT STALLINGS: Yeah, man, I think I had a few weeks off after the Playoffs, that was kind of the focal point of my off time to try to just figure out how to find a good routine and have something that was kind of reliable throughout the year. I've always been kind of a streaky putter and it was nice to kind of see the work that I did for a few weeks at home kind of come in play the first week of the year.

Q. When you make the turn, the wind picked up, the back nine got a lot harder than the start of this round. How difficult was it to adjust to the wind?

SCOTT STALLINGS: Yeah, it's just kind of some weird angles. No. 17's a perfect example, I was laughing with Aaron Oberholser while we were waiting, like man, this is not very indicative of our wedge play out here on Tour just sitting there watching guys miss the green from 100 yards group after group. Just some of the angles, 16's kind of an awkward tee shot, 18 into the wind. It's something you've got to deal with and hopefully I do a little better tomorrow.

Q. What do you like the most from today or this week that you'll take into tomorrow chasing that win?

SCOTT STALLINGS: Yeah, just put myself in good position. I stayed aggressive. Even though I made some bogeys, I kept the pedal down. I don't think I did anything outrageous, but I stayed aggressive throughout the whole day and was able to go out there and make some putts when I gave myself chances.

Q. You talked about working on your putting a lot. Did you have a specific drill that you're doing? Do you have a putting green in your backyard or anything?

SCOTT STALLINGS: Did some like visualization stuff as far as like I think as a golfer you can't tell the good days from the bad and you kind of feel like you do the same thing. There's so many weird things that we do. You see Jordan, it looks like he's almost looking away when he putts, but he does the same thing every single time.

So I did a little stuff with my setup and just did a bunch of green reading, kind of try to figure out the best way to objectify my putting and try to figure out the best way to understand why I miss instead of just, oh, I missed it. I think for us the understanding why is as powerful as when you do have success as when you don't to be able to identify it and adjust instead of

waiting until after the round to figure it out.

Q. How good of a (inaudible)?

SCOTT STALLINGS: It was great. I felt like I hit it pretty good, too. I gave myself lots of chances to make birdies. A couple short misses there, just hit the putts too hard but they all touched the hole. Fortunate on 16 -- I was unfortunate and fortunate at the same time, I got a bad break and then got a good break by making that putt. Hopefully do a little bit better job coming down the stretch tomorrow and see what happens.

Q. What's the story on your lid there?

SCOTT STALLINGS: NO BULL, That's my clothing equipment sponsor out of Boston.

Q. Does it feel like it's been a long time since you've won?

SCOTT STALLINGS: Yes, seven years. Your math is as good as mine, that's a long time.

Q. Do you feel like you have an advantage that you have won before with some inexperienced players up at the top?

SCOTT STALLINGS: Honestly, I haven't even looked at it. Today's the day to keep the pedal down and see what happens at the end of the day. Those guys that are finishing up are dealing with some unique things with the wind kind of swirling around and starting to pick up. We'll kind of deal with the same thing again tomorrow.