



Q. Freddie, can you just tell us, obviously a good start to this tournament?

FRED COUPLES: Yeah, it was a good round. I putted well, which you're supposed to do. I drove it -- when I drove it in the fairway, I made birdies. When I drove it in the rough, I was okay. I hit a lot of fairway bunkers, which I played good shots out of. But I need to drive it better tomorrow, but if I drive it better and I putt like I did today, I'll be just fine. I hit a lot of good shots and I got a little unlucky on 18. I mean, a little lucky. I hit it on the green. Last year it would have been in the water, they had it shaved, and this year there's a lot of rough, so I stayed up. I didn't hit a very good little pitch there, but birdied 15, 16 and 17, so it was a good day.

Q. Do you feel like your game is in a good spot?

FRED COUPLES: Well, I mean, I haven't played -- you know, I played Furyk's event and I was hurt there. I got it around and I went home and really didn't play. I did play last week and it was kind of ugly when I practiced, and then the last day I played at Big Canyon, I played with really, really good players and I kind of got pumped up and I started driving it a long way. I had good practice rounds here and the pro-am yesterday, and today I felt like I was maybe trying to swing a little too hard, but they were solid offline, if that's a good thing; solidly go that way and solidly go that way.

But I feel okay, but I'm tickled pink to shoot 5 under. I mean, I played no golf, no playoffs, no SAS, so I've been off for a month, but I do that every year, and then next year I'll be ready to get going again. But I do love this course, it's a great course for us.