

**ROUND 1 INTERVIEW**  
**November 10, 2022**



**ALEX NOREN (-5)**

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**Q. Alex, how would you characterize the round today?**

**ALEX NOREN:** It was good. I mean, I hit it -- I knew last week was like medium to short course, a lot of wedges that you have to get close. Here is longer, you've got to hit fairways and you've got to hit greens.

So a little bit nervous coming into today. Didn't feel great in practice, but found something and got the irons a lot better. So yeah, good. Overall, I would have taken 65.

**Q. What did you maybe find when you weren't feeling so comfortable in practice?**

**ALEX NOREN:** The big thing for me has been sort of where to hit the irons, just to take out one side and maybe make the round easier, not short-side. And then the next one, maybe the other side. So it's like I know when I play good, the rounds are a little bit calmer, not missing as much in the wrong places. Just got into hitting it, well, straight overall. Got a feeling of how to get better contact and it started probably on like my seventh hole and the rest was good.

**Q. This course, the first couple years it's hosted, obviously the scores haven't been excessively low.**

**ALEX NOREN:** No.

**Q. When you go shoot 5 under, does that give you good confidence going forward on a tough course like this that might only get tougher?**

**ALEX NOREN:** Yeah, and the whole thing about this course, anything under par is good. Today I managed to make birdie on holes like 18, and 9 is a little tricky. You know, when you get those, it definitely helps, and you've got a couple wedges, but it's a strong course.

