

**ROUND 2 INTERVIEW**  
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**SHANE LOWRY (-4)**



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**SHANE LOWRY:** Yeah, it was good. I have a sour taste in my mouth now after that finish, but when I sit back this afternoon, it's a lot different than it was this time last Friday. I was sitting at the Phoenix Open at 9 over par, so managed to find something in my game this week. And I've come to a golf course I've not done that well on in the past and I've played some nice golf, so I'm pretty happy with myself.

**Q. What did you find in your game between -- in a week?**

**SHANE LOWRY:** Yeah, just simple things for me. My alignment was a little bit off last week and a new caddie on the bag and my coach wasn't there, so didn't really have the eyes that have been there for the last few years. Then my coach arrived on Sunday and managed to fix a few things and managed to get my little fade going in and I'm hitting some nice iron shots again.

Yeah, I'm pretty happy how I've played this week. Like I said, I'm a bit disappointed how I finished today, but I think I'm in a nice position going into the weekend.

**Q. Is that sometimes how it works, just fresh eyes?**

**SHANE LOWRY:** Yeah, for me anyway. It's all, like it's never going to be far away, it's all about the basics for me and getting myself upright. My alignment was a little bit off last week. It felt a long way off, but it wasn't. When I get out this week and start hitting some good shots again, I was determined to gain my confidence back and start going for those shots that I wasn't going for last week. Yeah, it's been a nice couple days of golf.

**Q. And with that confidence, is that maybe why you're playing a little bit better at a course, as you've said, that you haven't had that much success on?**

**SHANE LOWRY:** Yeah, I've only played here a couple of times and last time was 2018, so I feel like I'm a better golfer than I was then. Coming here, I was coming here with an open mind, see what it was like and yeah, I'm pretty happy, you know, the way things have gone the last two days because honestly, sitting here Monday afternoon, I wasn't in a great place. It's amazing what this game, it doesn't take much to turn it around and hopefully I can keep that going.

**Q. Finally, a sad day on the DP World Tour, John Paramor's passed away. As a long-time member of the DP World Tour, just maybe share some thoughts about John, your dealings with him.**



**SHANE LOWRY:** Yeah, it's sad, I heard the news this morning. obviously I was quite surprised, I didn't know he was sick, so it came as a shock to me and it's very sad for everyone. It's obviously very sad for his family and everyone on the DP World Tour.

To be honest, I wish John would have been out there today, the pace of play might have been a bit better. He was always a great man at keeping the pace of play going well.

Yeah, he was a great referee and just a great person. Yeah, sad day and my thoughts are with his family.

