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STEVEN ALKER (-10)



Q. All right, Steven, just to start, your thoughts on today and the whole week?

STEVEN ALKER: Well, just run into a (indiscernible) and I was just trying to push and trying to catch up. Always seemed I was two, three, four behind at one stage I think. So pleased with the week. You know, it just, just a couple shots today got away from me, but it's just I was pushing hard and just trying to make something happen. Pleased with my finish as well, so take that forward into next week.

Q. At any point today did you change your game plan, mindset, or was it the same throughout the day?

STEVEN ALKER: No, it was pretty much the same. I mean, in the middle there I was starting to make some ground, I got within two, and then I didn't make that putt on -- I think 14 was the big hole where Steve made it and I didn't, just shaved the edge. We both made birdies on the next. So again, I was behind chasing. But I think those last three, four holes I was already being more aggressive, for sure.

Q. When you're playing so -- you're playing well and you're trying to make -- and he doesn't give you any opening at all all day long, does it just get frustrating, or how do you deal with that?

STEVEN ALKER: Yeah, you've just got to try and focus on your game and just head down, just try to hit a shot as good as you can, just keep hitting shots, making some putts. Yeah, it is kind of frustrating, but at the same time you've just got to get your focus back and try and do your job.

Q. You've really got to tip your cap, 6 under last five holes.

STEVEN ALKER: Yeah, yeah, it was fantastic. He didn't miss a shot, he made the putts he needed to. I think all his wins have been, I don't know, five-shot wins this year at least, so it's pretty impressive.

