

SAM RYDER (-3)

Q. Sam, I know the finish wasn't exactly what you wanted, but how would you kind of assess the round overall?

SAM RYDER: Yeah, I played really solid. Got off to a good start, hit a lot of fairways. It just feels like the few I missed cost me a few shots. Felt like I turned a 6 or something under into 3 under a little bit, but played really solid. Battled the conditions all day. Just kind of that enough rain to make it annoying. But all in all it was a good day. Would have liked to, you know, have a couple drives back, but it is what it is.

Q. When you get in conditions -- what's your main focus when you get in conditions like they were earlier with the rain and everything? What is the one thing that you focus on most that helps you kind of get through those?

SAM RYDER: I try to -- I try to just -- I really just try and get more into like each shot, not really -- because you're not taking as many practice swings, you're not -- like you're trying to stay dry. So I'm really almost trying to be visualized into the shot by the time I pull the club, keep everything dry.

But to be honest, like I haven't had a ton of success in bad weather. I haven't played a lot in bad weather. Growing up in Florida, usually it's lightning when there's rain. But yeah, you're just trying to stay dry and you kind of -- from the mental side of it, you just kind of just try and embrace it and make the most of it. It's really easy to kind of get annoyed and frustrated, but the guys that usually play the best in it kind of embrace it and, you know, take it, enjoy it.

Q. Do you enjoy like this golf course? Kind of growing up in Florida with the bermudagrass, is this a course that you enjoy playing?

SAM RYDER: I do. It's a great course, great community. Greens are always really good, very familiar grass. You know, grain, the grain is something that, you know, it's innate for me to read it and be used to it. So I do like it. It's definitely a level of comfort, for sure.

Q. What do you feel like -- obviously we're in the last event of the regular season. Where do you feel like your game is as you head towards the Playoffs and being in the position you are in the FedExCup standings?

SAM RYDER: Yeah, it feels good. I mean, last week was obviously a really big week for me kind of securing myself for next week so it takes a little bit of that extra pressure off, I guess, for this week to feel like I need to play well.



But I still, like there's still incentives to play well and I want to try and make it to -- you know, my goal's kind of set at making it to the second round right now, to BMW, and try to get into that top-50.

There's a lot of points, you know, in Memphis, there's triple the points or whatever. But this is kind of the form you're in, so I want to kind of keep the form, stay focused, just doing all the little things trying to make sure I'm sharp and ready for next week and this week.

