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SHANE LOWRY (-6)



## Q. Shane, nice to see you back here. It's been a while since you played this tournament. What was it like coming back and visiting these courses again?

**SHANE LOWRY:** Yeah, you know, the west coast, I love the west coast of America, I love coming over here and playing. This has always been one of my favorite stops. Just the way my career's gone the last few years, I started my season in Europe. Obviously this year I made the decision to come over here, play a little bit on the west coast, try and make some much needed FedExCup points because it's going to be a quick season this year. Didn't go to plan last week, but I felt like I played very good golf most of the week. I went out there and continued on today and managed to roll a few putts in, I was pretty happy with myself.

## Q. Talk about that. The first 10 holes, a few birdies, a few bogeys, but then those last eight holes --

**SHANE LOWRY:** Yeah, I was kind of not lost, I was just lost in my mind. I was just kind of having a nice time going around, I had a great group. Harris English is a great guy and obviously Sepp, myself and Sepp formed a nice relationship at Ryder Cup last year. So great group there today, so just enjoyed myself out there. Made a couple of sloppy bogeys, but after that I felt like I played some lovely golf on the way in, hit some lovely shots and kind of rolled in the putts I needed.

## Q. Was there a particular highlight, a shot --

**SHANE LOWRY:** I hit a 5-wood on, I don't remember the hole, it's one, two don't know. It's the third or fourth, long par-3 anyway. It was playing very long today, it was 240-something to the pin I hit a 5-wood to probably five feet.