

ROUND 2 QUICK QUOTES
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COREY CONNERS (-7)

Q. Corey, great day, tied the low round of the day. Got off to a nice hot start and rode it right to the par 5 11th.

COREY CONNERS: Yeah, had a really good start. Knew that was going to be key there, there's some really difficult holes through the middle of this golf course. Was really happy to get off to that good start. Hit a lot of quality shots early on, nice to have a couple good up-and-downs on 10 and 11 to make a couple more birdies there. Stumbled a bit on 12 and 13, but really proud of the way I battled back after that. I made three more coming in and had a really good save on 15.

Q. That's where I was going next because everybody's stumbling at 12 and 13. Bring us inside the ropes on what's happening with those holes, why so difficult? The difference for you is you bounced back, not everybody is bouncing back out there. Why so difficult on those two holes and how big is the 2 on 14?

COREY CONNERS: Yeah, I think those two holes, 12 in particular is a really difficult tee shot. It's not easy hitting from the rough out here, either. The green on 12 is particularly challenging, there's really only a small area you can hit the ball to keep it on the green, lots of running off in basically every direction. It's very difficult.

You know, tricky tee shot on 13 as well. It's one of the tee shots I like, turning the ball right to left fits that hole well. Missed the fairway today to the right and wasn't able to get up and down.

I think both those holes you've really got to bear down and hit a good tee ball and give yourself a chance from the rough here. Definitely going to be scrambling.

But certainly the 2 at 14 was a very pivotal moment, got me settled back down. Was looking forward to that shot really after not getting up and down on 13. It was like this is where I can turn the round back in a positive way and hit a good shot there and it was great to hole a putt.

Q. Hogan's Alley, ball-striker's (indiscernible.) Those of us that are familiar with your game go this is a Corey Connors golf course. So I'll ask Corey Connors, is this a Corey Connors golf course? Feel good with 36 to go?

COREY CONNERS: Yeah, I definitely feel good. My record here is just horrendous, but I do love the golf course, I think it sets up well for me and. Looking forward to the challenge that's ahead the next two days.

