**BEN SILVERMAN (-12)** 



### Q. Eight under, bogey free, what'd you like about your round?

**BEN SILVERMAN:** I liked that I was pretty much just staying in the moment. I only looked at the leaderboard a couple times just to see what was going on. Just kept my foot on the pedal with trying to be aggressive and make as many birdies as I could.

#### Q. When did it feel like in your round it was really just kind of clicking?

**BEN SILVERMAN:** I think on 11 when I almost had that hole-in-one, hit it to like two feet and got me to 5 under through 11, then I knew something good was brewing. I was like all right, let's keep going.

#### Q. And when was it that you looked at the leaderboard?

**BEN SILVERMAN:** I think the last time I saw was 12 or 13, leader was at 11. I just saw now they're at 15, but I wasn't looking.

#### **Q.** Any birdies or shots stick out in particular from the round?

**BEN SILVERMAN:** I just played the par 3s really well. I hit a lot of good iron shots today and when I missed, I hit some good chips and I made the putts for par. I'm just really happy with my mental state out there and really excited to play tomorrow again.

# Q. Still pretty early on the day, but could be the round of the day. What can you expect with conditions for the rest of the round with wind picking up?

**BEN SILVERMAN:** Yeah, I don't think it's going to get as windy as yesterday, doesn't feel like it is right now. Scores will probably -- there'll be the guys at the top still making birdies. I don't know how low it will go, I didn't look, but I think you'll probably see a little lower than the typical afternoons in the past.

## Q. Game's feeling good you even said mentally. What's kind of mindset for tomorrow's final round?

**BEN SILVERMAN:** My goal's to win out here, so I'm going to be doing everything I can to chase down the leaders and try to win.

## Q. And full field event with Aon Swing 5, what's kind of capitalizing on the opportunity to get into those Signature Events?



**BEN SILVERMAN:** I know what events I'm in right now and I'm just focusing on those. When things change when I play well, then I'll focus on the other ones.

### Q. They got some rain last week. Is the course starting to firm up out there?

**BEN SILVERMAN:** Yeah, I didn't even know there was rain last week because Monday, Tuesday it was pretty good already. Yeah, it's in great shape.

# Q. And then you played with Jake Knapp on the Korn Ferry Tour. Do you have anything to say about his game? Just very impressive seeing such talent come out of the Korn Ferry so soon.

**BEN SILVERMAN:** Yeah, he's been peaking for a while now, last couple years. He hits the ball a mile and he's got control of his irons, so his game's looking good. I was sitting on the couch yesterday watching the late coverage and watching some of the shots he was hitting, so he's definitely playing really well.

