

**ROUND 1 QUICK QUOTES**  
**April 4, 2024**



**DENNY McCARTHY (-4)**

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**Q. A good round of golf on this golf course no matter the conditions. Those conditions got feisty to play in down the stretch.**

**DENNY McCARTHY:** Yeah. Honestly, it was a little unexpected. Once kind of got four, five holes in, you knew it was going to be kind of a test today. It was really soft and slow Monday, Tuesday and starting to firm up a little yesterday, and I was very surprised how firm the greens were today and how much it blew really. It was really only supposed to blow around 10, feels like we got some gusts up to 15, 20 at times. A lot of crosswinds, tough to tell if it's help or hurt on some shots.

Yeah, it was a tricky golf course today. I played nicely, I hung in there, had some nice saves, cleaned up nicely around the hole. I did a lot of good things today.

**Q. Do you have your tally of number of greens you hit today?**

**DENNY McCARTHY:** I don't think it was that many.

**Q. Seven is officially the number, but 10 of 11 scrambling, let's focus on the glass half full.**

**DENNY McCARTHY:** Yeah, even though I missed greens, I was hitting shots and missing them in the correct spots, which you had to do today. Sometimes -- there were two or three shots where I wouldn't say I wasn't trying to hit the green but I was trying to hit a very small portion of the green and if I didn't, I left it in the right spot, so that's why you see that scrambling number so high, just because I missed several balls in the correct spot. I used my head very well today and Derek did a great job kind of confirming that this, here, there was a good miss. Yeah, it was a solid start.

**Q. So we asked the question on the air and I'll ask it to you, the hole locations on the front nine especially were really difficult out there today.**

**DENNY McCARTHY:** Um-hmm.

**Q. Would you rather get that nine out of the way or have to finish on it after you got off to a good start like you did on the back?**

**DENNY McCARTHY:** That's a good question. If it was blowing west, I think I would maybe want to start on the front. I think it helped that I played the back first. I got into a nice rhythm, started to kind of find a groove. And it played tough on the front nine, it was brutal. It got firm,



like I said. A lot of crosswinds, some tough pins, hard to get the ball close.

Yeah, I like it how I did it just because I played a nice nine holes on that side, I got into a groove coming off the back nine into that side. Yeah, I think it's going to be a really tough golf course tomorrow, too. I think it's supposed to blow 20ish tomorrow, so going to have our work cut out for us, but I like the direction I'm trending in.

