



**INTERVIEW TRANSCRIPT: ROGER CHAPMAN & JAY DON BLAKE**  
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**DAVE SENKO:** Well, Roger and Jay Don, thanks for joining us. 11-under today and got yourselves right back in the hunt again. Maybe just share some comments with us on your day and then we'll get some questions, if you want to get us started, Jay Don.

**JAY DON BLAKE:** Well, we started off birdieing the 1st hole, which is always a good start to kind of get some momentum. Then we come to a par 5 and the par 5, we're thinking we've got irons to the green, we can't make birdie on the par 5s, kind of a letdown. We just kept kind of hanging in there and we made four birdies on the front, made some -- a little of momentum building off of Peter Jacobsen. What did he make, like seven birdies in a row or something? I don't know how many he made on his own.

**ROGER CHAPMAN:** I think he was out in 28 on his own.

**JAY DON BLAKE:** Yeah, 28 on his own, first ball. Then we turned the back side, which is the front nine for us, and that's when I just kind of wanted to get in the golf cart and watch Roger. He made like six birdies in a row. I hit it out of play on 8 and then he made par, which is tough to kind of be aggressive when I'm out of the hole. And then I made a good bunker play out on 8 for birdie and then we made par on 9. We played good, Roger played really well.

**DAVE SENKO:** Roger?

**ROGER CHAPMAN:** Jay Don sort of got us going with four birdies on the front nine and then I was feeling like a spare part at the time and then I birdied the 1st and holed a nice putt at 2nd and then got the great word momentum going and I managed to birdie six in a row. Jay Don holed a lovely bunker shot at 8 for a birdie and I just missed one on 9 for another birdie. So, yeah, a round of 61 was pretty good.

**DAVE SENKO:** Birdies, do you want to just start at No. 1, Roger? Do you remember just how long your putts were on those first --

**ROGER CHAPMAN:** 5-foot for birdie on the first, about a 15-footer on 2, 8-footer on 3, 8-footer on 4, 2 feet behind the hole on 5 and about four feet on 6.

**DAVE SENKO:** And Jay Don, maybe take us through No. 8.

**JAY DON BLAKE:** I kind of hit not a very good shot in there, tried to hit a little easy 7-iron in there and kind of came over and hit it left, got kind of beyond the hole, bunker shot downhill, down all the way to the hole and I hit a pretty good bunker shot and it came out pretty nice and kind of rolls in the hole like a putt, so that was pretty nice to see that one go in. Roger had missed the green also just off on the fringe and he was downhill, a little gnarly and it wasn't really an easy chip shot. I just wanted to kind of hit a bunker shot to get out there and make par and have Roger have more of a chance of getting birdie than actually I was. I had a pretty delicate shot in there and it ended up going in, so it was nice.

**DAVE SENKO:** How far was that?

**JAY DON BLAKE:** It was probably 40 feet maybe.

**ROGER CHAPMAN:** Yeah, 35, 40 feet.

**DAVE SENKO:** Questions?

**Q. Coming from opposite sides of the pond, when did you guys first become aware of each other as tournament players?**

**ROGER CHAPMAN:** I think we first came across each other at Gleneagles, wasn't it, years ago. I think we played together at the Scottish Open at Gleneagles. Then when I came over here, I seemed to latch on to him and his wife and they've been very friendly to us. I asked Jay Don at the Dick's Sporting Goods last year whether he wanted to play and I sort of tentatively said just go away and think about it and he said yes straightaway.

**JAY DON BLAKE:** I was more than welcome to be asked, and Roger as great a partner as he is, I mean, how do you go wrong?

**Q. (Inaudible)**

**JAY DON BLAKE:** Yeah, I was on a sponsor's invitation, invited to come over, which was the week before the British. I wasn't exempt for the British and then they asked me to come over and participate. Coming over a week early, kind of climatized to it. I hadn't been over in England before and I wanted to kind of be there a little bit early, kind of get used to the conditions, the weather and see what it was all about.

**Q. What year was that?**

**ROGER CHAPMAN:** I would say '86, '87, something like that. Late '80s.

**JAY DON BLAKE:** Yeah, I think it was, yeah.

**Q. 25 years ago.**

**JAY DON BLAKE:** Yeah, that's why we can't remember.

**Q. Who knows at the end of today where you'll end up on the leaderboard, but tomorrow do you have a number in mind, thinking 10-, 12-under?**

**ROGER CHAPMAN:** Another 61 would be nice.

**JAY DON BLAKE:** I don't know if you can really put a number out there. I mean, I kind of made some birdies early and I just sat there and watched Roger. So if you both kind of do that, kind of compliment each other on hitting the shots and making birdies, it bounces back and forth on some momentum that you can generate out there. And if you make some birdies, it adds more confidence to the other player and momentum builds. It's tough to put a number out there, I don't think you really can.

**ROGER CHAPMAN:** No. A good start is imperative, though.

**JAY DON BLAKE:** We didn't birdie the two par 5s on our first 9 holes. Both of us -- well, Roger's pretty long, we were thinking par 5s, that's where we want to make some advantage, I'll make some birdies there, but we didn't do that. But you never know, you make birdies on the par 3, we hit 225 yards to make birdie.

**DAVE SENKO:** Any more questions? Thank you, gentlemen.