

INTERVIEW TRANSCRIPT: RUSS COCHRAN
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Q. I think you're 2-back with 11 to go here, but great shoring for you there, you made a move just a little bit short.

RUSS COCHRAN: Yeah, you know, I played pretty good golf today considering how I drove it. I wasn't really happy. I'm usually a strong driver of the ball and the short irons have been a little rough, but it was the opposite today, I hit a lot of good shots when I had the opportunity with the wedges and short irons. I didn't drive it in the fairway enough and I think the effort was there. Pretty proud of putting up a number not at my best but, you know, he got out in front and it looks like he's going to be in good shape and I wish him the very best.

Q. Talk about your approach on 18 there, what club you had.

RUSS COCHRAN: I had a sand wedge.

Q. What was your yardage?

RUSS COCHRAN: I had 112 yards, which is a little bit too long for what I had. I got over it and I had to back off a little bit, I caught a shadow over there on the right, then when I got in there, I was trying to work it off that -- hit it just to the right of the hole and work it off that hill and I pulled it about maybe eight feet or something like that. I think if it would have hit on that hill, it would have spun back nicely. So I gave it a shot. I kind of felt like I didn't have anything to lose. Like I said, I didn't play my best and I felt like, you know, when you don't play your best, you've got to try to fire one in there, so not too disappointed.

Q. The numbers weren't quite as low today. Is there a reason? Is the course playing tougher today than it was yesterday or on Friday?

RUSS COCHRAN: You know, these fairways are really hard to hit and I think, you know, they say why are they tougher on the last day. Well, you know, obviously it's the last day, but I do think through the course of the week as you keep playing these fairways, you know, they just seem to get a little tighter and a little tighter and I think it's just, you know, you're bombarded with just super tight fairways and trying to hit the right shot to hit them and I think it starts to wear on you. I think everyone's pretty much the same, they're trying to hit their best drive and hope it gets that little kick, goes in the fairway instead of just in the first cut of the rough.

Q. Was there a particular point during the round when you felt like you really had gotten into serious contention? Was there a hole or a shot that...