

INTERVIEW TRANSCRIPT: DAVID FROST
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DAVE SENKO: David, 64, 7-under today, including looks like bogey-free --

DAVID FROST: I had what?

DAVE SENKO: You had 30, 6-under on the front. Peter Senior had 6-under as well. Maybe just talk about your round, then we'll get your birdies and then some questions.

DAVID FROST: Obviously it was nice to get off to a good start. I said to my caddie going down like the 4th hole, I said, gee, you know, there's a lot of golf left to be played since we're on the 4th hole and we have four rounds to play. So you want to get excited but there's so much golf left to play, you can't get ahead of yourself just because you had a couple birdies on the first few holes or for that matter played a great front nine. There's a lot of golf to be played out there and it was nice to get off to a good start. There are a lot of good players here this week, our best players, and everybody can play golf, everybody's won before, so no one's going to hand you anything out here.

DAVE SENKO: Maybe if you could see if this is right, it looks like you had eight one-putts on your front nine, looks like you had 10 putts overall on the front?

DAVID FROST: Yeah, that's about right. Yeah, I hit it really close a couple holes and made a bunch of 10-, 15-footers. The 2nd hole I made it from six feet, the 3rd hole I made it from 15 feet, the 4th hole 15 feet, the 6th hole I chipped up to about a foot, and 7 I hit it close about three feet for birdie, 8 I made about an eight-footer for par, and then 9 I made a three-footer for birdie. So I capitalized on the shots that I did hit close, and the couple greens that I missed I managed to chip it really close, too. I rolled the ball really nice. Missed two chances on 10 and 11, missed from about 10 feet on 10 from right behind the hole and about 15 feet on 11. Then I made a monster on 12. But the golf course is in such great shape, you know, it looks like you can make every putt out there if you just read it right.

DAVE SENKO: How long was your putt on 12?

DAVID FROST: That was about 40 feet. Longest putt of the year I would say.

Q. With all the low numbers, there's still a lot of rounds with bogeys in them but you avoided the bogey. Was that because of the putting do you think? Peter Senior had three bogeys.

DAVID FROST: He made three bogeys and shot 63?

Q. Yeah.

DAVID FROST: He's lucky (laughter.) The par-saving putts that I had, I hit solid putts that went in. It's a tough course, especially when you miss the greens. There's a lot of rough out there and (inaudible) or 5 are crucial putts and I putted really well today and that's what you need to do out here.

Q. Until last week you were right -- not maybe right in the middle but you had a chance. How deflating was that? I mean, do you look back at all when you're playing this week, just go forward?

DAVID FROST: Yes and no. I do look back on it. I think that I've had a great year and I didn't drive the ball as well as I should have this year. That's one of the things that held me back to not getting to the very top. For that reason I'm not too disappointed for not being there because if I played great golf year-round and I didn't get there, yes, then I would have been disappointed. But even at the Senior Open at Birkdale I drove the ball badly and then started coming right the last two months, so it was just a little too late.

But as I say, I'm not too disappointed. Either way I'm just happy to have played solid golf. And being here this week, you know, it's another tournament to look forward to and it's a big tournament. It's an event within an event, the Schwab within the Top 30, so no reason why I should not, you know, just focus on the task at hand.

DAVE SENKO: Thanks, David.

DAVID FROST: Thank you.