

ROUND 2 INTERVIEW: SANDY LYLE & IAN WOOSNAM
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PHIL STAMBAUGH: You guys shot 64 over there.

IAN WOOSNAM: Yeah.

PHIL STAMBAUGH: Birdied five of the last six holes, I believe.

IAN WOOSNAM: That's right, we did.

PHIL STAMBAUGH: Just a few comments on how you guys played as a team today and any highlights of the round.

IAN WOOSNAM: Yes, obviously very windy over here. We obviously didn't get off to a very good start at the beginning, didn't birdie the first. We were playing pretty steady but just couldn't make some putts. Then I think I made a birdie on I think the fifth hole, then unfortunate I dropped a shot I think it was on No. 7. But then I think I birdied 8 and we were out in 1-under. We played really solid on the back nine, I think I made about four or five birdies on the back nine.

PHIL STAMBAUGH: Any long putts or any highlights?

IAN WOOSNAM: No long putts, just very steady golf. We parred 10, 11 and 12, and then we birdied 13, parred 14, birdied 15, 16, 17 and 18.

PHIL STAMBAUGH: Right now you're in the lead. Can you compare yesterday to today? It's blowing pretty good over here today.

IAN WOOSNAM: Well, I'm glad we played on this golf course because I can imagine -- it was pretty tricky over there yesterday, so I can imagine it's even worse today.

Q. How big was yesterday's round and the success you guys had kind of propelling you into today to kind of give you a boost, confidence lift?

IAN WOOSNAM: Yeah, definitely after shooting 7-under over there was a confidence, but I think there was another 7-under but that was on the Legends, I think. Other than that, I think we were three better than anybody else and that gives you a big boost. But we felt like we would do well over here at Buffalo Ridge because we both hit the ball pretty long, we carry it a long way. So we were looking pretty forward to it. We were a bit disappointed on the back nine, but we got into it on the back side.

Q. I was just kind of curious, will either one of you or have you thought about maybe changing up your bag setup for tomorrow, maybe adding an extra wedge or anything

given the fact you may not need some of those longer clubs over here?

IAN WOOSNAM: No, not really. I think what we want to try and do is emulate what we did yesterday there. The secret is to try to keep the ball a little bit lower over at Top of the Rock, try to keep the ball under control. You don't want to be hitting it too high.

PHIL STAMBAUGH: You and Sandy have played a lot of your career in the wind and it's blowing pretty good these two days. Do you think that really helps you guys that you're used to a lot of this?

IAN WOOSNAM: Yeah, I think so, especially on the big course because if you're hitting into sort of a 30-mile per hour wind, you've just got to take plenty of club and just swing easy and keep it low. Obviously we've played a lot of golf in that sort of wind and it's all about controlling the shot really.

PHIL STAMBAUGH: Sandy, thanks for joining us. Just maybe a few thoughts from you about how you and Ian played. You birdied five of the last six holes. Any highlights or any long putts or anything?

SANDY LYLE: Well, I think I played very little part in it today, sad to say, but Woosie's play was a huge rock. He always looked like he got the ball under control. And the few times that he was just slightly out, I managed to come in with a few pars, and then I birdied 17 at a good time when we were needing a bit of a boost. So a strong finish made all the difference to the round. We were kind of not much mojo going for the first nine holes, really just couldn't get it going at all. But yeah, very happy with 64 in the end after how we were doing for the first nine holes.

PHIL STAMBAUGH: Ian did not play last year here. You've played a lot of golf, a lot of Ryder Cups with Ian. Just your thoughts about him as a partner.

SANDY LYLE: I have played with him as friendly battles and stuff like that. Never played with him in the Ryder Cup team, but we know each other's game through and throughout. We know each other's strengths and weaknesses. Ian's really, really desperate to win tomorrow, so he's really pushing it and he's fully focused at the moment, so it's good to see and he's playing the game to do it.

Q. You talked about your first round at Top of the Rock was so good. How much will that play into the mindset of and give you guys some confidence going into tomorrow?

SANDY LYLE: Well, I think we've got to treat each day -- you know, tomorrow could be a completely different day than today. I think we got as much out of the round yesterday on the short course, so the mojo is pretty good on that part. We work well as a team. We holed the putts when needed and that's what you need to do. When you play on the short course and if it is windy tomorrow, it's going to be a really tough battle right down to the last hole.