

ROUND 1 INTERVIEW: LOREN ROBERTS
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LOREN ROBERTS: I shot even on the front and 2-under on the back. You know, the golf course is a little flatter on the front nine so you could probably keep the ball in the fairway. The back side, you've got some real slopes to it and you've really got to work pretty hard to get the ball in the fairway in the right spots. I think the front nine is kind of gettable a little bit. Two par 5s also, that's another reason. There's only one par 5 on the back, and the one on the back is really a tough tee shot to get it in the fairway to have a shot at the green. I think the wind's coming up a little bit. So yeah, I think the front nine you can probably do a little better out there.

Q. On 18 you hit the top of the flagstick. What did you have for a number and a club?

LOREN ROBERTS: I had 135, out of the right, hit a kind of a little 8-iron in there. I wish I hadn't hit the flag, it would have been good.

Q. So can you use like the backstop a little bit?

LOREN ROBERTS: Yeah, there's a little backstop there, but really you don't want to get the ball above the hole on these greens. They've got some speed and they're intricate, you've got to really pay attention.

Q. How would you kind of characterize the day overall?

LOREN ROBERTS: Good, this was a very good day for me. I didn't really make any mistakes. I kept the ball in the fairway for the most part, and when I hit a good shot I made some putts. That was a key. And I made a couple of really good up-and-down pars today, that's what really keeps your round going, when you can make an up-and-down par and not lose your momentum.

Q. 17 you had a putt where it looked like you really wanted it?

LOREN ROBERTS: Oh, I really want to get to 3. I got it just outside the right edge and it was inside, a straight putt and I just hung it out there. These greens, nobody's really seen them so we're going to still be learning it as the tournament goes on.

Q. Any difference knowing that there is a fourth round in this one as you kind of set yourself up with the first one?

LOREN ROBERTS: Yeah, I think four rounds you can survive at even par or 1-over score. Three rounds, you've got to get off to a good start.