ROUND 3 INTERVIEW: JUSTIN LEONARD

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Q. Justin, you get in with a 4-under 67. You had it to 6 under at one point before a couple missteps. Overall, how would you assess your day?

JUSTIN LEONARD: Really solid today. Hit a lot of fairways and came out of the rain delay and two holes at 14 and 15, where I should normally get those balls up and down, hit okay chips but just missed a couple putts and then played the last three holes solid. Still happy with the day. Would have been nice to make a couple putts there at 14 and 15, but still solid and I'm in good shape going into tomorrow.

Q. Yeah, 13-under through 54, not a bad spot to be in. You talked about paring down your schedule this year to about 12 or so events. We discussed it on the broadcast and you said it has you more mentally refreshed. How it's been after this layoff, since the Fry's.com, how's the game been feeling for you?

JUSTIN LEONARD: It's feeling good. I practiced a little bit -- I had three weeks off. I practiced a little bit at home the second week and then they close the courses November 1st, so went to Scottsdale a couple days last week and put in a couple pretty intense sessions just on my own. I feel like I got here and everything felt good. It's more mentally getting over the hurdle of realizing that after being out here for 22 years, I'm not going to forget how to swing a club, I'm not going to forget how to play the game. Like I said earlier in the week, talked a lot with Steve Stricker about what it's like getting ready in cold weather and making little strategic trips here or there to warmer weather. Again, I think the mental hurdle is what I've been able to get over here early and got here refreshed and ready to play and excited to work on my game Tuesday and Wednesday and it's been good this week.