

**ROUND 3 INTERVIEW: ANDREW LOUPE**  
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**Q. It's obviously not the way you want to finish your round but still, the work you did Thursday and Friday, you're still very much alive in this thing, very much in contention. How do you purge 18 and get ready for tomorrow?**

**ANDREW LOUPE:** It's golf. It's a hard hole. I was just a shade off on the tee shot and, man, if I hit that pitch one yard farther it carries onto the green and releases all the way down there. I would like to get that putt down in two but I didn't. So I'm well within striking distance, 3 back. No changes to the game plan really. I look at the weather tonight, I'm sure it's going to be warm again with a little bit of a breeze, probably in a similar direction as today so I'm learning a little bit about the course every day. Confident with how I feel and looking forward to tomorrow.

**Q. Is the wind kind of the X factor, and what's kind of made this golf course a little bit harder each day?**

**ANDREW LOUPE:** It is a factor. There's a lot of factors. It's a tough course, man. It's long. There's some birdies -- the greens are lightening fast, they have a lot of slope on them. Some of those fairways are narrow but can't shy away from it, you've got to take it on. So I'm just going to do my best tomorrow staying in the present, take care of whatever I'm doing in that exact moment. The leader boards change quickly so just got to go out and play some solid golf.

**Q. You've obviously played a lot of golf in your career. Have you seen a golf course change as dramatically as this one has in three days because it started off wet, long, a little bit slower and it seems like the golf course tee to green has sped up, played a little faster in the fairways, the greens obviously firming up?**

**ANDREW LOUPE:** Right. Have I seen -- maybe so, probably so. It's just such a good golf course, it drains well. But it didn't seem that dramatic to me for whatever reason. It is a little firmer but the greens were firm the first day. You can still hold iron shots. The ball goes a little further when it's warm like it was today rather than teeing off at 7:00 in the morning yesterday. I probably could have adjusted a little bit better to that, but it's gettable. You've got to play well, you've got to execute shots, you've got to set yourself up with some good tee shots and hope you roll a few putts in.