

**Q. So you finished 3 under par for the day, one of the best rounds so far through one and a half days. Just talk about the challenge out there and the difficulty in posting a number like that.**

**TOM BYRUM:** Yeah, you just, you've got to hit solid shots. And then when you miss them, hopefully you're in a place that you can get it up and down. I had a putter today that was different -- same putter but apparently it was ready to go today. Made a lot of good par saves from those 10-, 12-footer par saves. But then I also hit some nice chips when I did miss a green. I had other opportunities. It was just a patient day and the wind kind of laid down a little bit more than it was yesterday so it gave us a chance on a few more holes to have a birdie and opportunities. So I was fortunate, but I played well and putted well, so it was a good day.

**Q. I've talked to a few guys and they said that some of their strategy has been trying to keep the ball below the hole on some of these greens. Have you had a specific strategy?**

**TOM BYRUM:** It's hard to do. Yeah, you've got that strategy but it's tough to do. You get downwind on a hole, you're trying to keep it below the hole and you have an uphill shot, so it's almost impossible. You've still got to hit solid shots. You know, solid shots in the wind and the right club, that's all the -- that's the formula. Usually you'll get a pretty good reward for that, figure out the right club. But it's tough to sometimes trust what you're doing in this wind, and if the greens are hard and it's a tough pin, all that adds up to a little stress and you've got to be focused on just hitting a good shot.

**Q. Have you noticed any differences in the conditions from yesterday to today or how the course is playing?**

**TOM BYRUM:** Yeah, yeah, the wind has laid down. Like I said, it's probably half of what it was yesterday. It's up a little bit at times, but yesterday it was just brutal. So it's definitely, like I said, allowed us maybe a couple more holes to make birdie on because of it laying down. Then they had some accessible pins on some holes that maybe yesterday were tougher to get to. So I don't know, it was -- like I said, I made a lot of par saves. It could have been over par easy, just as easy as under, but good day.

