ROUND 2 INTERVIEW: SCOTT DUNLAP

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Q. Talk about the round. Obviously the wind wasn't quite as brutal as it was yesterday but scores were still -- still hard to come by red figures out here?

SCOTT DUNLAP: Yeah, it's U.S. Open caliber golf and scoring, you know. Like I said, if we had four days of perfect 80-degree weather and 5-mile an hour winds, it still ain't 12 to 14 under, maybe 5 or 6. Yeah, I just had another solid day. Didn't bogey the last this time, so kept it to 1 under and happy to do it.

Q. Any keys to the round out there?

SCOTT DUNLAP: Just been good around the hole, made my short putts. I hit the ball well, haven't really found too much drama. Yeah, the couple times I needed to make a par putt I did, but I gave myself some chances, too, so that's about the score I think I should be on.

Q. Talk about the excitement going into the weekend, obviously one back of Brandt Jobe, tied with Bernhard Langer for second, should be an exciting couple rounds?

SCOTT DUNLAP: Oh, absolutely. It is a major, it feels like a major, and to be doing well in one, you know, it's exciting. It's exhausting but that's what you want. It's separating I guess the men from the boys, at least this week. You don't see scoreboards like that very often and I think that kind of golf suits me. I kind of like hard golf, so hopefully got a good weekend in score.

Q. Earlier in the year you had a couple top 3 finishes in the first four starts. Is that form starting to come back in this week?

SCOTT DUNLAP: Game's always in flux, you know? You just -- yeah, when it wanders, you know, it didn't wander far but with this caliber of play, if you're not on it that's when you start finishing 30th. You know, the difference between that and finishing 7th isn't that much. But yeah, it's always a constant search and moving onward and forward.

Q. Played a lot of golf in your day and obviously we're at a great Tillinghast course here, and this tournament's visited some of the great venues, Fox Chapel, Belmont. What is it about this golf course that suits the eye and suits the eye of all the players?

SCOTT DUNLAP: Yeah, you know, we play a lot of really good golf courses and then every once in a while you get one that's a cut above, which this one is. Yeah, it's perfect really. Even when you look at the score card, right out of the box, oh, a couple 365s. Well, yeah, great. You know, miss it on the wrong side, short side or above the hole, there's not a let-up, so just a great mix of holes. It's bunkered perfectly. There's a lot of slope in the greens without being silly so you've got a lot of pin placements, a lot of motion, and yeah, I

mean, and the members can play it because it's open in front. It's just the perfect combination. It's just a wonderful, wonderful golf course.