

ROUND 2 INTERVIEW: JOHN DALY
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JOHN DALY: You just focus on tomorrow. Not hitting it great but I'm not hitting it bad. I'm scoring. That always helps. I left a couple putts short coming in, but I played decent golf. I got out of trouble good and I took advantage of some bad wedge shots and made some long putts today. Anything can happen tomorrow but as long as I'm right around the lead, you never know what can happen.

Q. (Inaudible).

JOHN DALY: It's always -- it'd be great, but it's not as easy as everybody thinks it is. I think people have forgotten how great these guys are. They're used to winning, they're competitive as hell and they've won a lot of tournaments. It's not easy. The good thing is when you get a limited field, your chances are a little bit better (inaudible), but still, these guys are too good, they're not going to fold and I've just got to keep doing what I'm doing.

Q. John, obviously not the finish you wanted, but certainly a good day out there in contention?

JOHN DALY: Yeah, the wind was a little tricky. I mean, those last four holes didn't play too easy, but I got off to a good start again and just can't seem to keep it going. All in all, I puttied really good, which helps. Hopefully, I didn't shoot myself out of it. Have to go low tomorrow or something.

Q. How's it feel to be around the top 10, and if you shoot a low round tomorrow, do you think you might have a shot to get in this thing?

JOHN DALY: Yeah, if it stays around 10 or 11 you always have a chance. Just got to keep doing what I'm doing. Got to hit more fairways. I just hopefully want to keep stroking the putts the way I've been putting this week, it's been good. The wedge game hasn't been great but I've been making a lot of 15- and 20-footers which normally doesn't happen. So I'm looking forward to it, it ought to be fun.

Q. Was there any changes in the course conditions from yesterday to today?

JOHN DALY: Played a little harder, the pins were a little tougher. We had no wind yesterday and we had a little gusts today and it made it play a little tougher. But I managed it real well and it's all you can do. I mean, the golf course is in great shape, so the scores, if you just hit fairways and hit some greens you've got a good shot at shooting a low number.

Q. Does it almost feel like this is anybody's tournament heading into tomorrow?

JOHN DALY: Oh, no doubt. These guys are so good, anybody has a chance to shoot an 8 or 9 under par on this golf course. They get the putter going, they're hitting fairways, you always have that opportunity. Like I said, it's in such great shape that it gives you an opportunity.

Q. Having won here before, John, do you feel you have an advantage?

JOHN DALY: Not really. It's been 24 years ago. I don't think the temperature got over 45 degrees when we played here in '92. I don't remember a lot about it, I just remember that when I did win here, I felt comfortable off the tees, although it's not showing this week. I feel like I can hit the fairways, but I'm just not executing a lot of them.

Q. Is it more fun when you're the biggest fan favorite here and everybody's cheering you on, you've got the biggest galleries following you around?

JOHN DALY: It helps, and it always helps when you're playing good, you feed off of it. A lot of times when things aren't going good, the fans kind of pump me up to keep hanging in there. The fans have always been great in New York, every time we've ever come up here whether it's a major or anything like that, we've got great fans.

Q. (Inaudible.)

JOHN DALY: I'm scoring good. I don't feel like I'm playing that great, I'm just scoring good. I made a couple 30-footers yesterday, I made a couple 30-footers today, made a few other 15-, 20-footers with bad wedge play. The putter's kind of saved me this week.