

ROUND 2 INTERVIEW: PAUL GOYDOS
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Q. Paul, obviously a good round out there today, 11 under. Talk about the day.

PAUL GOYDOS: Well, it was a good day, and yesterday was a good day, too. I got off to a little bit of a slow start but kind of hanging in there, grinding. It was a little windy today. I kind of had this feeling that at any time we were going to come off the course, too. The weather wasn't very good. I was just kind of cruising along and I made a nice birdie on 15 and then got lucky with the tee shot on 16, got it through the tree and over the river, bounced up the hill and rolled up on the green, made the putt for eagle. Made a good putt on 17. You go from 7 under which is 10th to 11 under which is leading like that, I'm still stunned a little bit myself.

Q. The course really firmed up today. What do you think was the difference in your play?

PAUL GOYDOS: Again, I think just kind of stick-to-it-tiv-ness. I wasn't necessarily playing great. Yesterday I got away a lot, too. If you look at my stats which are not pretty but I'm shooting a good score. I would say (inaudible) stat on tour strokes gained putting and stokes gained driving, if you had strokes gained with lucky bounces, I would be leading that right now by a large margin. That doesn't play very well on Sunday if you're relying on good bounces. Tighten it up a little bit on the range and try to play well tomorrow.

Q. Tied for the lead entering the final round, last year top 5 finish, just talk a little bit about what suits you well at this course?

PAUL GOYDOS: Well, I think the last two years it's been very firm, we've had good weather. The golf course is in -- I mean, for a public golf course it's in immaculate shape. I don't know how they get the fairways this firm and this healthy. We can have firm fairways that are dirt and we can have really lush fairways that are muddy, but to get firm, great fairways, this is every bit as good as you'll ever see on the PGA Tour fairway wise at a major championship in my opinion. I like golf courses that play bouncy and firm. This golf course has done that. You can do different things, length isn't a big deal and I'm not one of the longer hitters. Quite frankly, if you play good, most courses suit you and if you play bad, none of them do.

Q. If you play well here you can go back --

PAUL GOYDOS: I played the BC Open a couple times, never great but okay. My MO is two good rounds, a mediocre round. That's kind of all tournaments, not just here. But I like playing here, it's a great town. The support we get from the community here is fantastic, it always has been. My rookie year in '93 (inaudible). It's a great place to come play golf and I think that helps. You're hearing Daly roars. You don't get that as much on the Champions

Tour. If you listen to the crowd really out there rooting for somebody, it's kind of like no matter what's happening, the crowd's rooting for Tiger or Jason Day or whoever. We've got somebody, we've got Daly, the crowd's really rooting for him. It kind of gives it a good vibe. Again, the vibe on this tour's always been fantastic and especially this week.