

ROUND 2 INTERVIEW: NEAL LANCASTER
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Q. So it's a pretty good round there. How are you feeling after that nice Round 2?

NEAL LANCASTER: Well, believe it or not, you know, in this game you never -- I was actually happy with a no-bogey round and the last two holes were big. I made a big putt on 17 for me. I made about a 12-footer for par. You know, you always leave a couple out there, but boy, I'm putting as good as I'm putting in years. I have to thank David Orr for that, the putting coach from Campbell College. I'm such a feel player, I'm searching all the time out there and I was just -- I have a few holes, I don't have a few holes. So, you know, just try to do the best you can, that's all I can do.

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

NEAL LANCASTER: Boy, the greens are getting firm. That last hole, I drove it up there and -- I mean No. 9 I hit it over 400 yards off the tee there, and on 18 I hit it, hell, I think I had 78 yards and I hit a lob wedge, hit three feet short of the hole with 35 feet back. So yeah, it's firming up a lot out there. Actually, a little rain probably wouldn't hurt.

Q. How's it feel to be in contention heading into tomorrow? What do you think you'll need to do well tomorrow to be in it?

NEAL LANCASTER: I don't even know where the leader's at. I'm sure he's going to get in probably 11 under or 12. I'll be two or three back. You hear the same thing every week, but I've got to stay aggressive, got to stay aggressive, got to go out there. I figure I've got to shoot 6 under. I'm 9 under, if I can get to 15-under, I figure I have a chance.

Q. Does this almost feel like anybody's tournament? It seems like anybody from the last two or three groups can probably win this thing tomorrow.

NEAL LANCASTER: Yeah, it's going to be a shootout. It depends on the golf course setup and if we get a little rain and it softens the greens. If they don't get any rain, the greens are firming up. Even though you've got some short shots in there, I mean, the ball will roll 80 yards in the fairway. It's really running. It just depends. I mean, I got off to a great start both days in both of my rounds. (Inaudible.) If you get off to a good start and just keep the momentum going, you know, I made a par two par 5s, I left a couple out there, but I played them smart. If I hit a bad drive, I laid up, I didn't try to do anything stupid. You know, when you get in the hunt, we look calm; we're nervous as hell out there, believe me. Believe me, we're all nervous as hell out there. Just try to do my own thing, hopefully make putts. I made a lot of putts in two days. Like I said David Orr from North Carolina, he's really helped me with my putting and it's paying off.