FINAL ROUND INTERVIEW: KEVIN SUTHERLAND (-19)

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Q. (Inaudible.) How was it from your end?

KEVIN SUTHERLAND: It was great. We both played great golf. I mean, he got off to a really fast start and I kind of came back and made the shot on 9, which was huge making an eagle there. I played great. I shot 7 under today. I said yesterday I don't think 5 under would be good enough and I was right. I guess 8 under was the score instead of 7. So I played really well this week, no complaints. Scott played fantastic. It was a lot of fun. I've known Scott since junior golf, we've known each other a long time so it was a lot of fun.

Q. In his interview on Wednesday when we asked who he thought has a shot this weekend, you were on the list of names. He said once you get that first one, it's going to be like the floodgates open. How tough is it to have to come up a stroke or two short?

KEVIN SUTHERLAND: You know, I've been in this spot a lot this year and last year. It's not a lot of fun, but I played good. I mean, I know if I keep doing what I'm doing, eventually it will happen. But I did a lot of good things today and I can build on that. I played good the last week we played, so I think I'm 35 under my last two tournaments. You'd think it would be good enough. Hopefully, it will work out.

Q. How well did you two guys drive the ball today? Every time we looked up, you guys were in the middle of the fairway.

KEVIN SUTHERLAND: We both drive it really well. You know, we do it a different way. He hits a pretty hard cut and I hit a pretty hard draw and they always end up about the same place. But it was a lot of fun. We played some tremendous golf. I think from like the eighth hole on, it was a lot of birdies. He birdied the last three, 5 under the last three holes. I needed to birdie one more hole the last three and he got it done. That's the difference, you know, he birdied the last three and I birdied two of the last three.

Q. About 15 years ago you take him down at a final. This year he kind of gets his revenge. Were there any jokes about that?

KEVIN SUTHERLAND: You know, it never came up, we never talked about it. I like my win, I'm sure he likes his win, and so we won't even talk about it.