

ROUND 1 INTERVIEW
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RHEIN GIBSON (-4)

Q. Can you talk us through your round at all?

RHEIN GIBSON: I got off to kind of a rough start, I was a couple over early but then had four on the trot. I think I birdied 6, 7, 8 and 9 to turn in two, so that kind of got me going. Hit some really good shots all day and made a couple putts, and definitely left a few out there but I'm not complaining at all.

Q. To be 2 over and now just one shot off the lead, that must be a massive confidence boost?

RHEIN GIBSON: Yeah, I think so. I know I've been playing well. The weather was a little shoddy this morning with the rain, so I was trying to keep the clubs dry and whatnot. But yeah, got off to a rough start, but I knew I was playing well so gave myself opportunities and made a couple good putts and, yeah, kind of got the round back on track.

Q. You're a rhythm player. When we did have those rain delays, does that throw you at all?

RHEIN GIBSON: Not really. We can't sit around kind of twiddling our thumbs a little bit because we had to stay out there. But fortunately the course drained somewhat well, still pretty wet out there. I was actually pretty surprised we played the ball down knowing the forecast was what it was because, yeah, I'm not sure how much more rain it could take before it gets kind of too much casual water out there.

Q. (Inaudible.)

RHEIN GIBSON: Not really, I've played this course plenty of times. There may be a bit more runout in the fairways, but I'm still going to play the same way.