



CHARLEY HOFFMAN (-14)

Q. Everyone was struggling and you just rolled along?

CHARLEY HOFFMAN: Well, I wouldn't say I didn't struggle. There was a struggle for an extended period of time. I got lucky on some tee balls that didn't find the bushes and stayed in the sandy areas and I was able to hang on there. Off the tee for me is usually my strength. It wasn't today and I was able to sort of scrap it around, which means a lot to me on a day that I don't drive it well and still shoot a couple under par. That's what I guess goes to me being on Tour for a long time, sort of understanding when you don't have your best stuff you can sort of grind it out still.

Q. What's going to be the key heading into tomorrow with a fairly sizeable lead?

CHARLEY HOFFMAN: You know, I'm going to have to handle my nerves a little better than I did today. I was in the lead most of the day but I didn't swing it very good and that's my MO is to swing it good. My rhythm was off a little bit today. It was windy and challenging conditions, so I'm going to go out and think back what I can improve on what I did today and have a good idea what to do and feel confident going into tomorrow and close off a 36-hole lead and a 54-hole lead, which is something I haven't had a ton of success with in the past.

Q. Charley, you've been near the top of the leaderboard a lot on the weekends. Why were you nervous today?

CHARLEY HOFFMAN: I don't know. I hadn't played much golf in the last couple weeks and everything felt good. It's one of those -- anytime you get in the lead, no matter where you are, you've got to handle your nerves and it wasn't my best effort today. Usually I'm a little better than I was today in this situation, but like I said, I didn't have my best stuff and I sort of recognized it and I was able to shoot 2 under.

Q. How do you qualify your season?

CHARLEY HOFFMAN: My season's been great. Last year playing the Presidents Cup, being in contention in major championships and other golf tournaments was a great year. Obviously didn't get a win, which is why I play golf is to win golf tournaments. So it was a little disappointment there, but to have a chance to win this great tournament at the Hero World Challenge and hopefully I can knock it off and put myself next to those other great champions that have won this tournament.