

**ROUND 2 INTERVIEW**  
**April 20, 2018**



**DAVID TOMS**  
**STEVE FLESCH (-11)**

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**Q. Doing pretty well today. Talk to me about the round and your experience so far here at Legends.**

**DAVID TOMS:** I think starting the day to shoot 5 under par, we probably would have taken that. I knew there would be some interesting pins out there today on top of this mountain here and certainly there were. We had our good moments and then we had our other times when we struggled, and I think a lot of that has to do with the wind and the elevation change and the fact that we never really played here other than pro-am day and it was pretty brutal. So we didn't really know the golf course very well.

**STEVE FLESCH:** I echo a lot of what DT said. He played really well today, hit a lot of great shots. But it's tricky out there because of the wind. Some of the holes are on the sides, the same sides as the wind's coming from so it's hard to get it close to the hole.

Just like David said, not knowing the golf course very well, and I only played it on Wednesday in 30-mile an hour winds so it's tough, it's tricky. It's a lot of fun at times, but you've got to pay attention to what's going on out there and I'm pleased with 5 under. David did most of the work today, but it was fun watching and we're in good shape heading into the weekend.

**Q. So what about the course itself, wind notwithstanding? I think that's going to be a constant thing up here, right? But just in terms of the layout and the uniqueness of it, talk to me about that.**

**DAVID TOMS:** Well, I think, first of all, you're looking at a lot of, to me, the future of golf. Par-3 courses, executive-type stuff where people can go play golf and have their golf experience in a couple hours rather than being there all day long and I think you'll see more of that. I think it's a great little designed golf course, beautiful views.

It's tough for us to really look around and enjoy the scenery when you're out there really grinding in a golf tournament, but for people that are up here just playing, what a fabulous spot to come spend a couple hours.

**STEVE FLESCH:** I look at it, too, it's great for kids. This kind of a course, 13 holes, as David said, you can play it in under a couple hours. But I think for kids just starting the game, this is fantastic. They don't need to play a regulation size golf course. Short course, you can kind of roll the ball all the way around here if you want. I think they'll have a lot of fun and it's a great place to learn the game just because they have a chance of hitting it on

the green and they don't have to execute water hazards and whatnot. So they can just roll the ball down on the green and have some fun putting, maybe make a par or a birdie and it really lifts their spirits and tries to get them more involved in the game.

**Q. In terms of the variety of courses, obviously playing Top of the Rock tomorrow and this one and Buffalo Ridge and more coming, talk to me about that in terms of a synergy happening here at Big Cedar.**

**DAVID TOMS:** Well, I'm from Shreveport, Louisiana, which is not too far away. I have a lot of friends that have come up here and brought their families to the lake in the summer and spent some time. With more golf available to them, I think it's a great family vacation not just for the golfers but there's a lot of other things for families to do. To me, just it's certainly a destination place and a beautiful part of the country.

**STEVE FLESCH:** Jack Nicklaus, Gary Player, Ben Crenshaw, now Tiger Woods designed golf courses up here. I think it's a destination where guys can come out here with their buddies, hang out for a few days. Big Cedar Lodge, do some fishing, shooting, then come over here and play some golf. I think the Branson area's got a lot to offer and it's going to be a destination where guys can come do their golf trips and then do their hunting and fishing in the afternoon. Like David said, families can do it all, too. It's going to be a nice destination for people who love golf and the outdoors.

**Q. We're going to the Top of the Rock tomorrow. Do you feel good knowing that you'll be able to settle in, same golf course two days in a row, same format rotation?**

**DAVID TOMS:** Yeah, and maybe a golf course we're a little more familiar with. Today I thought was very tough in this wind. Luckily the sun was shining so we didn't have to deal with rain as well. It will be nice to go play the same golf course a couple days in a row. Obviously we have a different format with the alternate shot part of it. I'm hoping we gel well with that and get off to a good start and get rolling. We'll see.

Steve played really well yesterday, I played solid today, and it's going to take both of us in the end to play well and have a chance. Hopefully we can go over there and get on that golf course and start hitting good shots, making putts and then really coming together as a team and playing great Steve.

**Q. Steve, you're coming off your first win last week. Do you feel like this is a carryover from the success you had last week?**

**STEVE FLESCH:** Yeah, the team format's quite different and being on new golf courses is kind of -- it's unsettling at times because you don't know exactly where you're going. But I love team golf, I think it's fun. It's a whole dynamic that we're not used to playing. Once a year's pretty different, but I think being in a familiar place, Top of the Rock, tomorrow will be a little bit easier. We'll know a little bit more about the golf course.

But today was difficult, the winds were tricky, and yesterday was very cold and windy so I think we can look forward to similar conditions on the weekend. But David's playing beautifully and I'm obviously coming off a lot of confidence after last week, so I look forward to the weekend for us.