# FINAL ROUND INTERVIEW August 26, 2018

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# **KEVIN SUTHERLAND (-15)**

**JACKIE SERVAIS:** Kevin Sutherland, how are you feeling after that? Do you feel okay or are you disappointed, or what's your initial reaction?

**KEVIN SUTHERLAND:** I'm disappointed I didn't play better today. I don't feel like I played badly. I had like one birdie and 17 pars, I think completely the opposite of yesterday's round. But, you know, I didn't hit the ball as close to the hole, and when I did, I didn't convert them very often until the last hole. I'm just disappointed I didn't play better. You know, Scott, he was at 18, so I had to shoot 68 just to tie. So, and it was possible, but I didn't have it today as good as I did yesterday.

Q. It's a crazy game, isn't it?

**KEVIN SUTHERLAND:** It is.

Q. I saw you had 15 one-putts yesterday and I think you had two today.

**KEVIN SUTHERLAND:** I had two today, and one was from -- like a 15-footer off the fringe, or 20-footer probably. It's just the way it goes, you take the good with the bad. I hit some good putts today that didn't go in, I hit some not-so-good putts. Yesterday, everything was going in. Just the way it goes. I'm disappointed, but, you know, if you had told me I was going to be 15 under after Friday's round, I would have been ecstatic, so it's all good.

**JACKIE SERVAIS:** Yesterday you sat in here and you talked a little bit about how in 2014, when you shot that low, you totally messed up the Sunday of that, so you have to feel some pride in being able to hold it to some level today?

**KEVIN SUTHERLAND:** Yeah, that experience was great. It definitely helped today. I went in here totally like ready to play, and I felt like in 2014 it was almost like I was not ready to play. It was like it was still a euphoric state of -- I actually felt like you almost won something when you really didn't. But I didn't feel that way at all today. I was happy with how I played yesterday, but I was ready to play today. I just didn't play well enough. I just didn't give myself enough opportunities. I had some opportunities, but I didn't have like, you know, 12 or 13 opportunities.

#### Q. (Inaudible) They just weren't that close?

**KEVIN SUTHERLAND:** Weren't very close. I was always -- I was always 30, 35 feet. I was constantly just kind of lagging it by the hole. I didn't have to do a lot of work. I mean, it was an easy round of golf from the standpoint of I think I only had really one legitimate par putt I

had to make. The one at 12 was about four feet, the one on 1 was probably about eight feet. But besides that, I really was tapping in most of the day. So it was an easy round of golf, I just didn't give myself opportunities.

#### Q. Have you ever made 18 pars before?

**KEVIN SUTHERLAND:** You know, it's funny, we were talking about that going up 18. We were talking about if you sign the wrong scorecard today, you've really got a problem, and they were joking about how the answers were actually on the scorecard for me.

So it was -- I don't know if I ever had -- they asked me, have you ever made 18 pars, and I said, I actually I have no idea. They were kind of joking around there because I guess the putt I made on the last hole didn't really mean anything?

### Q. No, no, it doesn't mean anything --

**KEVIN SUTHERLAND:** They said -- they said, "You're putting at nothing. You could have had 18 pars, what are you doing?" (Laughs.) So I was aware that the putt didn't mean anything, but I was still -- you know, there's a pride factor involved that you want to make a birdie. I wanted to make a birdie more than I wanted to make 18 pars. So yeah, it was a pride factor. I actually wanted to make a birdie. You don't ever want to get shut out. But I don't think I've ever made 18 pars, either. It was a win-win either way. If I had missed it, I'd have been, oh, I made 18 pars, congratulations.

#### Q. Hate to root against you, but we were.

**KEVIN SUTHERLAND:** Well, it definitely -- it's unique. I don't know how often it happens. I don't think I've ever done it, I think I would have remembered.

**JACKIE SERVAIS:** So you have three weeks off now. What will be the next tournament that you'll play and what will you do during that time off?

**KEVIN SUTHERLAND:** You know, I'll probably spend the first at least week and a half of doing no golf, just getting away. My wife and I are talking about maybe going up to the mountains for a couple days and spend some time. I've got a son who's a senior in high school, so I'll spend time with him. And he likes to play golf, so I'll probably play a little bit of golf with him, especially in the second half.

But I'll just take a little time off. We've got a lot of tournaments in a row and it just kind of is -- I was at Dick's Sporting Goods and decided, you know, I need to take a break. That was last week, so I decided to take Calgary and Flint off and take three weeks off. Then I play five out of six weeks. It's not like I'm -- Kenny Perry was telling me I was retiring. I said just for three weeks, I'll be back.

#### Q. You've got some incredible records with the 59 and 60 here, but this putts you at

# 0-7, I think, when you held the lead.

**KEVIN SUTHERLAND:** Well, I mean, I didn't know that. I knew that my record wasn't very good because I haven't won very often. You know, I don't know. It's disappointing. I've had times where I was leading and I played really well. And like what Scott and I did at Dick's Sporting Goods last year, I think we were tied for the lead and we both played fantastic golf the last day. And today, neither one of us played very well, you know. The solace I take away, you want to win obviously, but you also want to play well. If I would have played well today and I didn't win, I would have been okay with that. Not playing well kind of leaves a sour taste in your mouth.