ROUND 3 INTERVIEW December 1, 2018

TONY FINAU (-13)



Q. If we could just get an opening comment on the round. Obviously you put yourself in good position going into the final round.

TONY FINAU: Yeah, I played nicely. I took care of the par 5s, and on this golf course, we have five of them. I think that's what you have to do to play well, so I was able to do that today.

Q. Five par 5s, did you come into the week expecting to play well on this course?

TONY FINAU: You know, I always hope and expect to play well no matter what golf course we play. This is a golf course I'm not very familiar with, I played it once before we played.

When I'm playing well, I feel like I can score on any golf course, especially a course that has five par 5s. You've got that one extra hole. We play a lot of golf courses on the PGA TOUR where there's only two or three, so to be able to have those couple extra par 5s, you just know you're going to have some opportunities to score and I've been able to take advantage of those opportunities on those par 5s.

Q. What are you trying with your putter?

TONY FINAU: I added two degrees of loft in my putter after Thursday. I shot 64 yesterday with it and so I decided to keep it.

Q. Have you played with that amount of loft before?

TONY FINAU: Yeah. It's been a while. Junior golf I had a lot of forward shaft lean when I putted and it was just something that I wanted to address for a little bit, just was never able to commit to it. I putted pretty bad on Thursday and I figured it doesn't get any worse than that, let's try something else. So I had my guy bring me a putter with some extra loft on it, tried it and it felt good, so I went with it.

Q. You always have the straight finger in the grip for putting?

TONY FINAU: Yeah, I think I've always had the long trail finger. Yeah, I don't know how long I've had it. I don't really think about it that much, but obviously I notice it when I see my golf swing and I've got that finger kind of dangling down the shaft.

Q. Rickie went low here last year on Sunday. Are you expecting pretty much a shootout tomorrow?

TONY FINAU: Yeah. Again, on a golf course where there's five par 5s, you're going to have some guys that take advantage of the scoring opportunities. The greens are perfect, you can make some putts out there. Just depends on the wind. It's a good position to be in, and if I play well tomorrow, then I know I'll have a chance to win.