

RETIEF GOOSEN (-4)

Q. Tough day for everybody seemingly?

RETIEF GOOSEN: Yeah. It was, to put it mildly, a shit one.

Q. I don't think we can --

RETIEF GOOSEN: Let's scrap that. Let's start over. I started off pretty scruffy, let me put it that way. It was a tough day out there for me. Everything seemed to go wrong. Get the wrong lies in the bunkers and all that kind of stuff.

But I just kept fighting. I kept telling myself stay in this thing, we still have another 18 tomorrow, it's not the end of the world. Yeah, I just fought these last few holes because I know things weren't going my way, just to stay in there, you know. One shot off the lead with one round to go, not a bad place to be. But despite the bad round, that's about the only positive thing for me is I got another 18 to go.

Q. How early do you look at that leaderboard and maybe realize major champions (inaudible)?

RETIEF GOOSEN: Well, the course is playing tough today. It got windy this afternoon and I kept missing in the wrong places, kept missing the fairways. Got off to, you know -- the first hole I hit a good shot, just rolled in the rough, my tee shot. I had to try and hook a wedge out of the rough, didn't get the hook, ended up with a terrible line in a bunker, made bogey.

My second hole I three-putted, and next hole I hit this just like low cut shot and hit it slightly toey and water. So yeah, I got off to the most horrible start that I could have probably wanted, you know. Four over for four holes is not what I was looking for, but I knew from there on just got to keep hanging in. Everybody is going to struggle. Yeah, one shot off the lead with a round to go is not a bad place to be.

Q. Was there a shot in particular that kept it together for you or calmed you down after that tough start?

RETIEF GOOSEN: Well, I made a nice birdie finally on 13 and I hit a good 3-wood off the tee and a nice 7-iron in there and I had a good putt. So that sort of, you know, kept me in it. Unfortunately, I drove it under the lip -- every time I hit it in the bunker today was right under the lip. Yeah, it's a disappointing round, but the positive thing is I have 18 to go.

Q. How long was the putt on 13?

RETIEF GOOSEN: Probably a 10-footer.

Q. Do you just keep shooting for par or pars out here, or I mean --

RETIEF GOOSEN: Well, the way I was playing, par was good.

Q. Don't think about that tomorrow. Do you change your strategy once it's this bunched up?

RETIEF GOOSEN: It's supposed to be tomorrow quite tricky again. And yeah, I've just got to get off to a nicer start tomorrow and then see how I go from there.