

ROUND 1 INTERVIEW
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FRED COUPLES (-2)

Q. How did you think you played today?

FRED COUPLES: I played okay. You know, it was -- I mean, I didn't, like, have that many birdie opportunities, and I bogeyed the 17th hole coming in, which was a little south, but I just didn't make enough birdies. But I felt okay. I have to play a lot more and practice a lot harder to, you know, work my way up these leaderboards again. I have not really played well this whole year, but it's fun to be here. You know, I have some good things to figure out tomorrow and hopefully shoot a good score.

Q. It looked like you really enjoyed your threesome out there.

FRED COUPLES: Well, they're probably my best two friends on the Tour, Jay and Davis. Yeah, it's a heck of a pairing. It was a lot of fun. They played -- they played well. They didn't play great, but they played well. You know, it was good to be part of it.

Q. That was the first time you've been paired with Davis ever on the Champions Tour?

FRED COUPLES: Yeah, which is weird, but he doesn't play much and I play less. But it was good. He plays very well. He's just coming off I think a toe injury, so he hasn't played a whole lot, and he looked a little like he's been playing every single day. That's how Davis plays, he makes the game look easy.

Q. Do you remember the course from the BC Open?

FRED COUPLES: I do. Some of the greens have changed, they're a little more roly poly, but every hole looks the same. You know, it's a little tricky. The rain helped because a lot of my little soft shots that were right and left kind of hit softer, but maybe it will dry out by Sunday. But the course was beautiful. Greens are perfect. We had a late tee time, but still, I didn't miss any putts because the greens were a little bumpy. It was in great shape. And it's easy to shoot 2 under, it's hard to shoot 5 under. It's a very tricky little course.