

ROUND 1 INTERVIEW
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RORY SABBATINI
KEVIN TWAY (-14)

Q. Of course the first natural question everybody wants to know is how you two got paired together. You had a funny answer off camera. Why don't you tell us what it is on camera?

RORY SABBATINI: No, actually it was just pure luck. You know what, old guy with a thoroughbred, so I'm just trying to let this guy run.

Q. Sometimes you get the best luck of the draw. When it comes to this time of year, obviously you get to work out some kinks, you get to have a little bit of fun, today especially in the scramble believe format you get to play a little bit more aggressive. What do you enjoy most about this teammate format?

KEVIN TWAY: Yeah, that was a very fun format today. Rory hit first and he's always in the fairway, so it's nice, and I can kind of let loose. Yeah, it worked well today. Kind of ham and egged it very well.

Q. Given the course conditions, it's a little bit warmer than what we've seen years in the past. This particular course, obviously it's a little softer given the weather we got yesterday and the overnight rain, really the time to get birdies. How exactly did the course play today?

RORY SABBATINI: I tell you what, it played long today. There is no run-out there, so the course did play a lot longer than normal. But all credit to -- the golf course is in fantastic condition, and as we can see by the putts, the putts were just rolling pure as could be, so they did a great job.

Q. Great start. Either one of you guys can jump in, just a couple comments on the course and how well the two of y'all played together?

RORY SABBATINI: Obviously the course is in fantastic condition. It played long, it's playing to the maximum yardage it can. They gave us some challenges at a few of the pins, but I'll tell you what, Kevin here put on a putting display I've yet to see replicated. It was something else. I told him where to hit it and he hit it there. Luckily, I was guessing the lines right, but he putted fantastic.

KEVIN TWAY: Yeah, we had a little AimPoint going. He read them and I was just trying to hit the spots. Speed was good and they were all just falling in, which was nice.

Q. And just to echo what Chantel asked about, this time of the year really allows you guys to kind of fine tune some things that are either going right or you want to get right. Is this a good opportunity to do that kind of thing?

RORY SABBATINI: For sure. Obviously some guys use this as an opportunity to test some equipment, maybe test out some new techniques that we're trying with the golf swing or putting, all sorts of things. But ultimately it's that little last gasp and it's a fun week. So it's kind of relaxed and it gives you an opportunity to be in a competitive situation without too much stress.

KEVIN TWAY: Yeah, absolutely. Warm weather, working on our games, working on new techniques. I got some new equipment I'm trying. Yeah, just getting ready for 2020 and this is a fun week. It's nice to have a partner and share some good moments