

**ROUND 2 INTERVIEW**  
**August 1, 2020**



**JIM FURYK (-10)**

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**THE MODERATOR:** Jim Furyk, bogey-free 66 out there at the Ally Challenge, in the clubhouse 10 under, currently one shot back of Brett Quigley. How about some comments on your round?

**JIM FURYK:** Yeah. Got off to a little bit of shaky start on one, nice up and down for par on a par 5, and then kind of settled in, hit a nice drive at two, and gave myself some good looks early. And I didn't make a birdie, though, until I think six, and then birdied six and seven back to back, and had a real good solid back nine, that stretch on 12, 13, 14. Put the ball in the fairway, you'll get some looks with wedges and such. And I was able to knock it on 13 in two and then also on 14 with the driver. So a good back nine puts me in a position for tomorrow.

Looks like we're going to have some tough weather as far as some rain and rain in the morning and possible rain during the day. So kind of rest up and get ready to go in the morning.

**THE MODERATOR:** Making your PGA Tour Champions debut this week now through 36 holes of competition. What's it been like for you so far?

**JIM FURYK:** It's been fun. It's been great to be back at a golf course that I always enjoyed playing when we were here on the PGA Tour and great to see some old friends. I told my wife, I always feel like the first round -- I probably said it earlier in the week, first round of the PGA Tour every year is like the first day of school, you get excited, you get a little nervous. Coming out here on the Champions Tour, I told her it was like the first day of high school but I had been homeschooled the last five years. Lots of folks I hadn't seen in a lot of years and a lot of good friends, and so just good to say hello to everyone.

And we're in a different time, with no fans out on the golf course, but I have seen that on the PGA Tour. And I look forward to seeing 17 here when we get back to rowdy fans and fun.

**Q. Did you feel like, Jim, with those four birdies in the five holes here, that maybe getting yourself in gear so you got the wind a little bit at your back for tomorrow, or is tomorrow just a whole new day?**

**JIM FURYK:** Tomorrow is a whole new day. I think I played really solid on the front as well. Like I said, I just didn't see a birdie putt go in until six. So put the ball in front of me and made a nice little save at one, nice save at 17 when I needed to. I got the ball in the

hole, and I -- it's always a new day. And I think the weather and the rain and -- and there's some more factors. And then a good chance of being out there in the leader group tomorrow, or if not, maybe the second to last group. So it will be a little more pressure and I will be trying probably a little too hard at times like everyone else, but hopefully get settled in early.

**Q. You have had a lot of success here. How much does that help you when you get to some of these holes where you have some good memories from the past?**

**JIM FURYK:** I think it helps a lot. I think not much has changed here. I think a couple -- added a little at 12 and 14. Other than that it looks very similar. It's in great shape. I hit the ball about as far as I did in '09, thanks to equipment. Probably not the working out and all that part, but the equipment allows the ball to go farther. I'm hitting the ball about the same distance, so it's a lot of the same club selections, a lot of same memories. And everyone likes going back to places where they have had success. So --

**Q. What is it about this course that's conducive to playing so well?**

**JIM FURYK:** It's really about putting the ball in the fairway. If you put the ball in the fairway here, you're going to have -- there are a lot of tough holes. There are times where if you're impatient, you go at pins you shouldn't, it's going to bite you and make some bogeys. But if you play smart and put your ball in the fairway, you're going to have a lot of opportunities with a wedge in your hand to attack. And that's what I have done so far this week. I have done a good job attacking when I have had those wedges and those opportunities, and I have taken advantage of them.

**THE MODERATOR:** Thank you, Jim.

**JIM FURYK:** All right.