

ROUND 2 INTERVIEW
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BILLY HORSCHEL (-10)

Q. If we can get you to comment on your round, please.

BILLY HORSCHEL: Yeah, a really good day of golf, 64. Really didn't have any trouble at all. No. 11 I made a bogey and honestly, I probably shouldn't have made a bogey right there in front of the green in 2, Just missed a short putt.

Other than that, it was really solid. Gave myself a lot of opportunities to make putts out there. I put the ball in the fairway, which is key around here. If you can put the ball in the fairway, you can be aggressive to these pins and control your shots going into these greens, which is crucial, and I've done a really good job of that these last two days.

Q. You're playing eight out of 10 weeks, Billy. How do you kind of conserve energy as you make this run trying to get back to Atlanta?

BILLY HORSCHEL: Yeah, so we saw the schedule and I wasn't sure if I was going to play here or not. It's an event I love. I knew if I played here there would be a lot of tournaments in a two-and-a-half month window, but with my position in the FedExCup, I felt like it was vital for me to come here and try to accumulate more points. So after Sunday I flew home and spent two days there and I flew up here Wednesday morning. It was just nice. It was nice to not be here Monday, Tuesday and sort of grind it out. So I know I've got several more weeks left to play golf and I'll just do a good job of being smart with my practice. Thankfully, the game's in a good spot. I don't have to really grind too hard, which helps a lot in that aspect.

Q. Going into the weekend, what will you kind of focus on to hopefully get the job done on Sunday?

BILLY HORSCHEL: Yeah, nothing really changes. I know it's going to be a shootout. I know what the winning score is normally around here, I know it's going to be somewhere between 18 and 22 under par, so I've just got to do a continued job of putting the ball in the fairway. If I can do that, then I can be aggressive to these pins and give myself some putts that I can make. And I'm rolling the ball really well, so I'm excited about all aspects of my game. It's been a little bit of time coming to see the results because we've been really excited for a few months now and sometimes results just take a little bit longer, but we've done a really good job of staying patient and not really forcing anything or getting ahead of ourselves, just sticking to the game plan of trying to get better every day and I think we've done a really good job of that.

Q. By the time you teed off, 10 under had already been posted. Did you think that number would hold as the lead today?

BILLY HORSCHER: Yeah, I did. You know, I think Harold's the only guy in the morning wave that was at 8 under yesterday. I think the next best score was 5 or 6 maybe. Yeah, I mean, if Harold went out and shot 6 under, then it was going to be 14 and I could have seen that easily. But like I said, this course is playing a little bit different this year, slightly different in the sense that every ball in the rough seems to be sitting down instead of like a snow cone lie where it's half in and half out. The greens I think are just -- which is unusual, I think they're just a foot to 18 inches slower than what we're accustomed to. So some really fast putts that can get away aren't nearly as fast, and uphill putts, you've actually got to hit it a little bit harder this year.