

ROUND 1 INTERVIEW
August 19, 2020



STEVE STRICKER (-4)

Q. Finished with a 4-under par 67, just your thoughts on the first round?

STEVE STRICKER: Yeah, it was a good start. I played solid, no bogeys today, so anytime you can go around and do that at any course is a good day. Let a couple opportunities slip by, but for the most part played nicely, played solidly and good start to the tournament.

Q. Finished with a birdie there on 18. How does that set you up for tomorrow?

STEVE STRICKER: Yeah, I had a nice eagle look at it, too. I had about a 12-, 15-footer for eagle and didn't get it in there, but a good way to finish. You know, to make a birdie there gives me a little bit of momentum into tomorrow. It's only three rounds, so you've got to keep the pedal to the metal and keep making birdies and try not to make any mistakes.

Q. And 8 kind of seems like a hole where you have a look at eagle. You ended up birdieing that one, too. What do you see on 8?

STEVE STRICKER: Yeah, 8 you have to pay attention off the tee, the water comes into play. Today I just hit a 3-wood and a utility club and got it on the green. Actually, made a really good two-putt, I didn't hit a very good first putt, but that's a hole you need to take advantage of and make at minimum a 4. If you make 5 there, you feel like you left one out there. So that's one of those holes you need to take care of business, make your birdie and move on.

Q. And you mentioned it's a three-day tournament. You're sitting there close on the leaderboard. What do you need to change going into tomorrow to kind of make a move?

STEVE STRICKER: Yeah, just keep doing what I'm doing and hopefully hit it in there a little closer at times and give myself some more looks at it, some better looks at it and try to capitalize on those looks.

Yeah, and scoring's always good the first couple days and then kind of slows down when somebody's going to try to win the tournament, which is normally the case. Hopefully, you're one of those guys trying to win on Sunday, or actually on Friday.