

ROUND 1 INTERVIEW
December 3, 2020



EMILIANO GRILLO (-5)

Q. I kind of thought your round was in the balance on 5 tee, bogeyed two of the last three holes at 2 and 4. What clicked at 5 that you could run off five straight birdies?

EMILIANO GRILLO: I was playing well, it was just playing hard. There's a couple bogeys there from basically from the middle of the fairway on 2 and then pretty easy bogey there on 4. It was playing 111, 112. Just a couple of those that kind of stopped me a little bit. But I was playing well, I just kept doing my thing. I just made a few putts coming in.

Q. A few putts; like I said, four birdies in a row. And what a par putt you had at the 9th as well, maybe a 20-footer that just found the side of the cup.

EMILIANO GRILLO: Yeah, I was trying my best to make another bogey, but I was able to make a 4 there. You know, lunch is going to taste better after that.

Q. We're still early in the day, but no one's taken it extremely low. The fairways are definitely playing wider. Is it the wind that's holding scores down?

EMILIANO GRILLO: Yeah, it's just super soft out there and the ball is going nowhere. There's a lot of wind, a lot of holes with wind from left to right, makes it a little more harder. Some of the holes you have hazards or out-of-bounds on both sides, so you just have to be precise off the tee and you're going to have some scoring opportunities there.

Q. I know there's been times when you've been frustrated with your putting through the years. Anything click on those last few holes or is this a gradual adjustment you've been making?

EMILIANO GRILLO: It's been getting better, it's been getting better. I've been hitting it well since we restarted after COVID. Putting is definitely trending in the right direction.