

ROUND 1 INTERVIEW
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DICKY PRIDE (-6)

Q. Dicky Pride, can you just tell us about your round a little bit today?

DICKY PRIDE: Good, solid round .I hit the ball nice and solid. I had a couple early decent shots that missed the greens and got them up and down. Then just stayed patient. It's the kind of golf course you can kind of press your luck on, so I tried to stay patient to give myself looks. Had a couple birdies fall later. Just nice and solid.

Q. What do you think going into the second round? Obviously top of the leaderboard, a couple of guys vying for the top spot. Obviously going to need another solid round.

DICKY PRIDE: I just -- you know, it's going to be the same stuff all week. The golf course is not a course you can be overly aggressive on, so you have to pick your spots and be patient and give yourself a bunch of looks at birdie.

Q. What is it about the course where the fans at home don't really understand how to maneuver through it?

DICKY PRIDE: Well, it's tough to see like on TV or in camera because there's so much undulation. And you can't always play at the flag, you have to hit it to a spot away from the flag and it will kick towards the flag. Sometimes you get pins that you just can't really go for.

Q. It's just one of those days where you could just feel that you had the command that you wanted and were as sharp as you wanted to be today?

DICKY PRIDE: I think I left a few out there, but I'm playing very solid. I'm striking the ball like I want to, I'm hitting a bunch of good shots.

We're going to let this cart go by before we answer all these questions, but he has an American flag, so we're going to go with it, yes. All right. Thank you, Cushman.

Q. Nothing like a loud motor to --

DICKY PRIDE: They're coming right back through there again. Now I forgot the question, but it was something along the lines of for the fans, or did I already answer that?

Q. No, you answered that. As far as the fan aspect, just having fun out here, I saw at the finish you gave a couple of signed thing to kids out here. How important is that aspect for you while you're playing?

DICKY PRIDE: Oh, it's great to have all the fans back. It makes it so much more fun when you -- like I hit that nice shot on 18. To have someone cheering, versus last year it was maybe you could hear a bird tweet, like I think I hit a good shot. So it's nice when it's a blind shot like that and they let you know it's good.