

ROUND 1 INTERVIEW
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ROBERT KARLSSON (-4)

Q. Was there a big difference in the course after you guys came back?

ROBERT KARLSSON: Yeah.

Q. You didn't have that many holes yet.

ROBERT KARLSSON: Fairways were wet. I was lucky, I plugged my ball in the middle of the fairway so I could get a drop. Otherwise, it was a bit of mud on the ball, but I was lucky I got away with it. A little bit softer obviously into the greens because it played quite firm in the morning. It's a fantastic golf course to play and very, very happy.

Q. There's a couple of 5 unders out there right now. Do you think it's going to be a little bit more than that by the time the day's over --

ROBERT KARLSSON: Probably.

Q. -- with no wind?

ROBERT KARLSSON: Yeah, no wind and the greens are fantastic to putt on, so if you get it going, you can hole a lot of putts. But they've done a good job with the pins, there's a few tough ones in there, especially on the back nine, but it's very enjoyable.

Q. But you also had some pretty good conditions this morning?

ROBERT KARLSSON: Yeah, definitely.

Q. How are you playing right now?

ROBERT KARLSSON: We'll, I've had two weeks off, I haven't touched a club.

Q. Well, you've been a little busy.

ROBERT KARLSSON: Exactly. It's decent, heading in the right direction. It's been a bit of a tough summer, but it's going the right way.

Q. Any highlights out there, real long putts?

ROBERT KARLSSON: Not so much. Just made an eagle on 15, which was very nice.

Q. How long was that putt?

ROBERT KARLSSON: It was only eight feet, but the second shot was very nice.

Q. What did you hit into that?

ROBERT KARLSSON: 5-iron.

Q. And how long did you have?

ROBERT KARLSSON: 210 pin maybe. But that was in the morning when the greens were firm, so in discernible.

Q. There's a pond in front, right?

ROBERT KARLSSON: Yeah.

Q. I've seen some guys --

ROBERT KARLSSON: You can make a --

Q. -- fall off the --

ROBERT KARLSSON: I was pretty happy. Yeah, it's nice.

Q. Do you like this course?

ROBERT KARLSSON: Yeah, I think it's fantastic. Really, really good. It's different for us playing a little bit on an old-school golf course. You don't need to have golf courses 7,300 yards for us. With these greens, they get very small, especially when they're firm, so if you don't hit the proper shots, they run off the side and it puts a lot of pressure on your short game. It's a great, great golf course to play and it's fun for us. It tests pretty much everything in your game, so it's a nice mix, really good.