## **ROUND 1 INTERVIEW NOVEMBER 4, 2021**

#### **BILLY HORSCHEL (-7)**



### Q. Well, heck of a start, nice little finish there as well. How would you describe your round?

**BILLY HORSCHEL:** It was a solid round. Got off to somewhat of a slow start, but this course can lend itself to a lot of birdies if you stay patient. Did a good job of that and hit some quality shots when I needed to. Yeah, happy. Taking four weeks off and first round in five weeks, it was good, but always can get better.

# Q. Did you feel like you had to shake off any rust or anything, or were you feeling pretty comfortable out there?

**BILLY HORSCHEL:** Yeah, I mean, I felt -- I felt pretty good. Some stuff I've been working on at home with the swing, it's still not, you know, completely comfortable. So it's just sort of getting into the groove of tournament play and trying to figure out what works and how to get through something when you don't feel great with the swing. So I felt like I did a really good job of that. This is just a really good start to a week where you need to go low.

#### Q. Something about this golf course that really agrees with you, do you think?

BILLY HORSCHEL: Yeah, I think it just requires you to hit good golf shots here. I understand we go low here, and I really like when courses are more 12 to 15 under par, but the thing about this course, if you put it in the fairway, you have a lot of good opportunities to make birdies and if you're off and you hit it offline, you get penalized for it. It's just a really good golf course that requires some really good ball-striking and you've got to putt well, so that's always been my MO. I love courses where you get rewarded for good ball-striking.