

ALEX SMALLEY (-10)

Q. Very nice playing in the wind this afternoon. How would you assess how you played and also in terms of the conditions and how they changed into your back nine?

ALEX SMALLEY: Well, certainly different than yesterday. We were third group off yesterday and we didn't see any wind for the first 13 or 14 holes. Pretty consistent both days, so we kind of expected it was going to be like this today.

Yeah, course played a lot different. It was a little drier because we were in the afternoon so the balls were releasing a little bit more. That's pretty much it. Felt like I played well and was able to take advantage of some holes. Might have another later one tomorrow.

Q. Actually, that final nine, the final few in particular it seemed like the winds were gusting pretty hard?

ALEX SMALLEY: It was hard, it certainly was. We were laughing about it. The par 5, I think it's 605, 610 yards and I hit a really good drive, but I hit 5-iron into that green on my second shot. And then No. 8 was a par-4 and I had 3-wood in on my second shot.

So some of the par 4s were certainly playing pretty long. That's what happens when you have winds that are gusting 25, 20 or 25. I was able to keep the ball in play and was able to get out of those holes that were playing really long, and happy I'm done with them.

Q. Definitely. Thinking back to Puntacana, what do you take away from that? Obviously a great finish, but also maybe a little bittersweet that you had potentially a chance for a playoff. How do you look back on that?

ALEX SMALLEY: A lot of really good memories. That was one of my first PGA TOUR events in Puntacana. It's funny, Puntacana and here have the same type of grass, it's Paspalum, so I feel pretty comfortable on Paspalum. So I was looking forward to the week to begin with. I don't know, I guess I like international destinations as well.

But yeah, I learned a lot on Saturday. I think I was in the final group in Puntacana on Saturday and played with Ben and felt like I took some things away from that experience. Obviously I felt like I played really well on Sunday and feel like I can compete out here, so I think tomorrow will be a learning experience either way.

Q. I saw (inaudible) Rochester.

ALEX SMALLEY: Correct.

Q. How long did you live there?

ALEX SMALLEY: My family moved down to North Carolina when I was 2, so I don't remember a whole lot from New York at all.

Q. Kevin's the biggest Bills fan.

ALEX SMALLEY: Oh, okay.

Q. Someone different on the bag for you. Who's on the bag this week?

ALEX SMALLEY: So, John, John Ballmer is caddying for me this week. He caddied for me the first time I played in Puntacana. My usual caddie, Don, his daughter's getting married this week so he was unable to be here. I'm sure he would have loved the place, but I think she's getting married today. He was probably watching all day and he'll probably text me. Yeah, his daughter's getting married today.