# ROUND 3 INTERVIEW June 5, 2022



## **JERRY KELLY (-18, won first playoff hole)**

### Q. Jerry, a weather delay and a playoff, how do you put this one into words?

**JERRY KELLY:** I mean, it's just a good old-fashioned afternoon Midwest thunder boomer pop-up. It didn't last long, luckily. Didn't even think we were going to need to hit balls, but I'm glad I did because I found out just how old I am on that first drive in the playoff.

It felt good all week. I just had to keep my patience in there. That was what sent me through, besides obviously Steve's putting lesson again. But really is the patience. Because of that, because I was able to make some putts, that really carried me through.

#### Q. Can you show me (inaudible)?

**JERRY KELLY:** No. (Laughs.) No, I'm not going to give you a whole lot. He gave me a nice little forward press and then the rest of it is kind of something that he knows is natural to me. It wouldn't help anybody else really, so there's no sense in sharing it.

Q. That lightning delay, you and Kirk are neck and neck going for that, what does that do to the psyche and how do you bounce back from that 45 minutes to an hour delay?

**JERRY KELLY:** I felt pretty calm. I mean, my son's going to kill me for saying this, but I'm still playing Candy Crush, so I was just doing a little Crush in the locker room. I almost made it to 6,900, I think, something like that. I never paid any money for it, though. Sorry, Zygo, or whatever they are.

Q. What did you learn about yourself coming here, coming from Chicago? We talked earlier about taking those days off.

**JERRY KELLY:** You're not going to make me cry (Laughs.) Carol got incredible scans on Friday and we had such a great week. Beginning of the week, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday with Carol and Coop and walking around all Chicago, I ate my body weight worth of food. We just had a fantastic time. It's one of those things, is it one of our last times like that with Coop before he flies the coop?

Then when we came back to work and I had to miss Carol's treatments that are going on right now for this tournament and AmFam, which hopefully is the only ones that I miss, but I wanted to give her something to actually be happy about. Then she gave me the best present possible by having such clean scans on Friday afternoon.

So big chills right now, great feelings. I love the two of them so much. They're the ones that

make me stay strong out here even when I'm not strong. It's everything. So that was a big boost for all of us on Friday afternoon.

Q. It's been a year since you've won just about.

JERRY KELLY: Yeah.

#### Q. The work you kind of had over the past year to get back here?

**JERRY KELLY:** Yeah, a lot of injuries, changing clubs, a lot of different things like that. We're all held together by duct tape and super glue. I mean, you just try and get through it the best you can. I got a pop out of my back early in the week and I felt good this week.

Health is great, but yeah, family's better.

## Q. Did it feel like a closest to the pin challenge, both of you guys sitting right next to each other?

**JERRY KELLY:** It felt like I made both of them. Both of them never left the flag. The first one went a little further, I was a little further back this time and I was in kind of a little divot the first one. I hit a great shot on the first one, but that's why it didn't spin, because I was kind of in a little side of an old divot. But the next one I had a clean lie and picked it perfect and yeah, that one felt good.