

ROUND 1 INTERVIEW
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JERRY KELLY (-4)

Q. Jerry, just thoughts on being back in Madison, just the fans today, just kind of how the crowds set in and just overall thoughts on the day?

JERRY KELLY: Oh, it was great. We had a big crowd starting out, but I know better, and anytime I play with Freddie it's a big crowd. I'd like to say it was mine, but I know better.

I started out today just pretty weak, just not being able to do what I did last week. I mean, I had some new swing thoughts last week and it was great, and I had some new putting thoughts last week and it was great, and trying to duplicate sometimes is difficult. I kind of realized a few things going into that back side after I hit some really bad shots through like 13 or so and really got on top of it. It saved me having to go put in a session over there and up there and feel confident that I'm doing the right things right now and just rest up and take it into the weekend.

Q. When did you really -- what hole did you start to feel like you were kind of recapturing some of last week's magic?

JERRY KELLY: The par 5 and then par 3 down the hill.

Q. Eleven, 12?

JERRY KELLY: Eleven, 12 I had some pretty bad ones right there. And then 13, I kind of thought of something and then 13 coming up the hill, the wedge shot was a product of me actually being in a good position and I was able to get the club out in front of me and it went left. I told E, I go, "That's fine, I can make it go down the line from that swing, that's good," and then the 9-iron on the next hole was right there.

You know, other than pushing it over a little bit too far on 15, I worked my way around really well when I didn't have it and then when I did have it, I took advantage, so that was great.

Q. Did the course play any different today than it has, because it looked like it took a while for guys to get past 4 under and then obviously a few did?

JERRY KELLY: Well, it's a fairly wide driving course, but if you don't drive it in the fairway, the rough is tough. I think that's why the scores weren't consistently lower. Besides it being, you know, it isn't really cool but wet. It's just not hot and fast so the ball's not going as far. So it played a little longer than it normally does, but I think it's definitely the rough that did it.

Q. How big was that finish considering you don't want to go into the weekend 7

back?

JERRY KELLY: No, I don't, not on this tour, not on three-dayers. You've got to be up and around it or you know you've got to shoot a 7, 8, 9 to even usually come back within three. Now you shoot a 7, 8, 9 and you're on top. Or hopefully, who knows, but you know what I mean. Just to get back into firing range you've got to shoot a really low one. So the odds of doing that twice are a little smaller. Yeah, we know what it takes out here. You learn and you've got to get in there.

Q. When you look outside the ropes at this tournament, do you see fans having maybe more fun than they would in a normal week because they are in Wisconsin and this is kind of what we do?

JERRY KELLY: I know I have more fun in Wisconsin. I mean, why wouldn't you, Spotted Cow and cheese curds? I mean, come on, yaderhey.

Q. Jerry, are you excited to get back out there tomorrow just because of the way you finished, maybe a little momentum heading into tomorrow?

JERRY KELLY: Yeah, I am. I'm looking forward to the putting session, the range session tomorrow morning and lock in some of the things that I started feeling again that felt fantastic. Yeah, I'm definitely going to enjoy cooking and cracking open something, but yeah, tomorrow will be fun.