

MICHAEL THOMPSON (-6)

Q. Michael, lovely start, only the one blemish. A lot of things working out there, but statistically, 14 of 18 greens, was that the key today, good iron play?

MICHAEL THOMPSON: Yeah, it was, I was hitting my irons really close and surprisingly to myself I was making some putts. These greens don't really fit my eye because there's so many little undulations and you can have a 20-footer that breaks three different ways and it's hard to read sometimes. In terms of on the greens, I was really committed to my line and that's what helped me put a good stroke on it. Played really solid golf. The driver was a little bit off on the back nine, but nothing really to be upset about.

Q. You talk about staying committed to the line. How much harder is it going to be staying committed to a line, Donald Ross greens, little nuances that you've outlined for us, but potential 30-mile-per-hour winds this afternoon, might be harder out there this afternoon to stay committed to those subtle little differences with winds gusting?

MICHAEL THOMPSON: Yeah, absolutely, and it's only going to make the iron play that much more difficult as well just because you could hit a great shot and have it land on the wrong side of the slope and then you've got a tough two-putt. It will definitely play a lot harder this afternoon, which is great for me. I got the good wave, early-late apparently. I'm going to go work on my driver a little bit and hit some wedges and go rest and watch -- probably watch these guys struggle a little bit, which is kind of fun.