

ROUND 2 INTERVIEW
August 5, 2022



ALEX SMALLEY (-5)

Q. Alex, if we can get some comments on your day. Not a great start, but you kept fighting throughout the round.

ALEX SMALLEY: Yeah, everything felt really hard today. Hit a bad drive on 11, was able to get a break, was in the pine straw and was able to get it up and over the tree onto the green, but had about 85 feet left and there's a huge cliff a little bit past that pin, so I just left it a little short and missed that one.

Hit a good tee shot on 13, was right in the middle of a divot, came up two yards short and sucked all the way back off the hill, off the front of the green and made bogey. Just didn't make anything today. Made a lot more putts yesterday and just didn't really didn't make a whole lot outside of five or six feet like I did yesterday. I knew once I got past 18 I had a lot of chances to get some back just because I feel like the front side, you have a lot more wedges into the green than the back side does. The back side plays a lot longer than the front. So I was able to rattle off three in a row on the front and just kind of hung in there.

Q. Still in it. Talk a little bit about how excited you are for the weekend.

ALEX SMALLEY: Yeah, I mean, for a minute there I was just hoping to make the weekend after the first few holes. Yeah, to make the weekend, anyone can make a run on the weekend and I feel like I know this course well enough that I have a pretty good chance to do that. Just kind of regroup and get ready for Saturday.

Q. Do you know the only other member to win here?

ALEX SMALLEY: (Shakes head.)

Q. Carl Petterson, he's a member here. What's it going to take do you think this weekend?

ALEX SMALLEY: I don't know. I think it depends on if we get any weather. If we get any rain and it softens it up, I think it will play a lot easier just because the ball, I mean the ball won't move on the fairways when it hits the fairways. Today they're rolling out a little bit, so I had a couple where it felt like it hit in the middle of the fairway and rolled off into the first cut where it made things difficult. If we do get some rain and it softens the greens up a little bit, I think the scores will be pretty good. Just have two days like I had the first day and I think we'll be OK.