ROUND 2 INTERVIEW August 20, 2022

MIKE WEIR (-12)



Q. Mike, 7 under on the day. Kind of walk us through your round.

MIKE WEIR: Yeah, it was a bit of a slow start. Hit a nice shot into 2 that went a little long and made a bogey. Missed a very short putt on 3 for birdie from four feet, so it wasn't the start I wanted.

Then I hit some really nice shots. I hit a big drive on the par 5, No. 5, and just had a 7-iron in and made birdie there. Then the next hole I hit a good drive and a 9-iron to eight or 10 feet, made that one. Then I made a long one on 7, so then I had some momentum, three in a row. Maybe 30-foot putt on No. 7. The par 5, I was on the green with a good look for eagle again on 8, so there was four in a row there. I had a good look on 9, just missed it, and then hit it close on 10, eight feet, hit it six, eight feet on 11.

So outside of the putt on No. 6 I made from long range, there were a lot of close putts. And then coming home I made the one birdie, made a nice birdie on 16 from an awkward position. I pulled my tee shot a little bit, got behind a tree, hit a very nice recovery shot, but it was a bonus that that putt went in there.

Q. And you kind of mentioned the slow start and you rattled off seven birdies in eight holes. Was there anything that kind of the switch flipped for you?

MIKE WEIR: I think maybe just hitting that nice tee shot on No. 5. I hit a big tee shot there and was left with a 7-iron, a nice little up-and-down from right in front of the green, tap-in, just kind of settled things down a little bit and then proceeded to hit a bunch of really good shots. I was in a nice groove there for the next seven, eight holes. I had lots of looks, close shots close to the hole, just played really good golf through that stretch. Hopefully I can get off to a nice start tomorrow and keep that momentum.

Q. What's it like when you get on a roll like that?

MIKE WEIR: It's fun. You're just thinking birdie, you're just thinking middle of the fairway, get me in the fairway because my iron game is good and the putter's finally starting to heat up for the first time this year. I was kind of champing at the bit for more holes.

Q. This course allows that, too, doesn't it?

MIKE WEIR: Yeah, if you drive it well, you're going to have some shorter irons in your hands and you can attack the pins. And the greens are so good, the greens are very good, some of the best we've putted on this year. So luckily made a few of those eight- and



10-footers and that's what you've got to do around here.

Q. What are you thinking about tomorrow? What's going to be the strategy?

MIKE WEIR: I think still got to be aggressive. I'm sure I'm going to have to shoot 6 or 7 under tomorrow with the guys that are up near the top, a lot of firepower there. There'll be no coasting, we're going to be trying to make some birdies and keep some momentum going.

Q. Started to play really well and then the weather delay. Any effect on you coming back?

MIKE WEIR: The nice part of where I was on the weather delay, I had hit my tee shot on the eighth hole so I was down there with just a rescue club from 218 yards I think I had, or 220 yards. It was a nice comfortable shot for me coming out of the rain delay, it was just a comfortable rescue club. I hit a nice shot to 20 feet for eagle and left it just short right in the middle, but it was a nice birdie and nice momentum coming off to keep the birdie momentum going.

