

ROUND 1 INTERVIEW
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KYLE WESTMORELAND (7)



Q. Kyle, first round 7 under, got to be feeling pretty good to get off to a hot start.

KYLE WESTMORELAND: Yeah, it's great. I mean, this course is awesome, a very neat golf course. And weather's perfect, so can't complain to be playing golf.

Q. Five under on your last five holes of the day, did you just kind of -- was everything clicking at that point or was there anything specific?

KYLE WESTMORELAND: Yeah, I hit some good iron shots and made some putts, that's kind of what the name of the game is out here. It's fairly forgiving off the tee. Helps if you hit some -- there's a couple holes that are maybe drivable, but if you can wedge it well, I think you're going to get a lot of tight lies around these greens, so if your pitching's on and you can hit some iron shots, make some putts, you can score out here.

Q. First time this course has hosted the event since 2000. What are your thoughts? It's a Donald Ross design.

KYLE WESTMORELAND: Oh, I love it at this point, right? I think it's awesome, so far I have no complaints. The hospitality's been great, people have been great and practice facilities are kind of like the Disneyland of golf, right, so it's pretty awesome.

Q. Got your card last year. How's first year on the PGA TOUR been so far?

KYLE WESTMORELAND: It's been good, it's been good. You know, some learning in there. There's some heartache, right, missing cuts by one or whatnot. But I just love playing golf, I love being out here competing against these guys whether it's on the PGA TOUR or Korn Ferry Tour and just excited to get to do it another week.

Q. Is there anything specific on the tour that you learned this year that maybe caught you a little bit by surprise or you didn't expect?

KYLE WESTMORELAND: Not too much. There's some things that I feel I can work on, get better at. PGA TOUR with all the data, right, you can kind of get swallowed up in that. I just think if you're playing golf well out here, you don't have to worry about it and vice versa, right. It might be harder to finish 25th every week, but if you get it going, you can play anywhere.

