#### **COMPLIANCE SOLUTIONS CHAMPIONSHIP**

ROUND 3 INTERVIEW June 24, 2023

TIM WIDING (-18)



# Q. All right, Tim, another bogey-free round for you today. Just kind of talk me through your day.

**TIM WIDING:** Yeah, definitely had an interesting start I snap-hooked it off the first tee and ended up finding it in the thick rough and had to just play it out to 200 yards. Just told my caddie to just play for the middle of the green, try to make a 5 here. Ended up holing it for a birdie, so definitely, I mean, definitely I thought walking off with a 5 on that hole was going to be fine, but definitely took a 3.

Yeah, I played really solid tee to green. I hit a couple bad shots, but I kind of missed it in the right spots. The longest putt for par, I think it was seven feet today. So I'm recovering pretty good and I'm playing pretty smart and hitting it close and giving myself a lot of birdie chances. Happy with the way I managed myself out there and the way I played.

### Q. Almost an eagle there to take a two-stroke lead, but you still have a one-shot lead going into the final round. How does that feel?

**TIM WIDING:** It feels great, obviously doing something right. Would have been nice to end it with an eagle there, but I'm just really proud of the way I fought today. I felt a little nervous, to be honest, on the front nine, but I was able to battle through it and come back. Yeah, so I'm just real proud of myself how I played and really looking forward to tomorrow.

## Q. When you say you felt nervous on the front nine, was that putting pressure on yourself to position yourself for tomorrow, or where did that come from?

**TIM WIDING:** I didn't really put pressure on myself. It was more like kind of unfamiliar territory for me a little bit. I just tried to stay cool and chat as much as I could with the guys I was playing with. Still kind of have that feeling in your body like a little tense and you try to shake it off. So it's more like that, just a little bit of tension.

## Q. What are you most looking forward to about Sunday here at the Compliance Championship?

**TIM WIDING:** Kind of going out there with a lead is kind of new for make, so I'm real excited to, first of all, see how I handle it. However I play tomorrow it will be a great experience for me. Obviously going to try to come out on top and do my best, but try to learn as much as I can and go out and play stress-free and still play aggressive. I mean, there's a lot of birdies



out there, I know a lot of guys are going to shoot low. I know I have to keep making birdies and keep the gas pedal down, yeah.

