

ROUND 3 QUICK QUOTE
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TREVOR CONE (-17)

Q. Trevor, nice round, in with a 9-under 63. I believe that's your low round on Tour as a rookie.

TREVOR CONE: Yeah.

Q. Talk about that round a little bit, bogey free.

TREVOR CONE: Yeah. I mean, hit it really well, hit it pretty close early on and then made a couple 10- to 15-footers on 2, 3 and 4., just got a rolling.

But yeah, just played smart, fairways, greens, not get too aggressive. I mean, just hoped the putter came alive and today it did, hopefully it continues tomorrow. Yeah, just don't get ahead of yourself. Out here I think playing the par 5s is the most important thing. If you can take advantage of those, makes the rest of the golf course a little bit easier.

Q. You did a lot of good things by the sounds of it. What were you most happy about today?

TREVOR CONE: The putting. Yesterday I played really, really solid. Didn't quite finish the round the way I wanted to, but good things finally started happening and snowballing. So I think the best thing today was something with the putter clicked. Made a slight tweak in setup and that seemed to get my eyes in the right place and see the lines a little better.

Q. Was it one of the nine birdies that kind of stood out to you that made you feel good about it?

TREVOR CONE: I mean, that first one on 2 really like, I hadn't really, I think I made one putt the last couple days over a significant length. Then made a putt on 2 with a good read from probably eight to 10 feet. Just seeing one of like not stuffed range go in was nice and kind of freed me up the rest of the day.

Q. You're a rookie out here on the PGA TOUR. You've won twice on the Korn Ferry Tour. What is the most important thing that you've learned out here in the 20 or so tournaments you've played and what is the thing that's been the most surprising to you?

TREVOR CONE: The thing that I've learned most is probably just that you have to be really patient. Korn Ferry is not a lot shorter golf courses but seemingly a lot more scoring clubs into holes, so you can get it a little closer. I think you have to be a little more patient out here



and that's been my struggle is trying to find your spots to go after pins and make birdies.

Then I forgot the second part of your question?

Q. What's the most surprising thing?

TREVOR CONE: The most surprising thing is that I think maybe a lot of guys don't realize that you can compete immediately out here. Nico showed that in Puerto Rico and guys have shown that their rookie seasons every year since. But when you get out here, it's a little bit bigger in the fall even though the fall events aren't anything crazy, but when you first get out here, it's a little daunting if you have an interesting pairing on a Saturday or Sunday. I think we all get past it come January and start playing our best golf.

Q. How different was the course today with the weather and did you do anything different to prepare knowing that we're going to get some rain?

TREVOR CONE: No. We thought the greens might be a tad softer, but early on it wasn't really raining hard enough for anything to change. We got to probably 15 and it kind of started deluging on it so the greens got a little softer.

I'd say the only shot that I saw any significant change on was on 16, the green was a little softer than I think we realized because a big wave had just come through and the guys had to squeegee off that green, but other than that, nothing changed.

Q. Finally, you're leading now, at the end of the day you could still be in the lead, but you'll be in one of the last couple groups no matter what. What will you lean on tomorrow going into this final round?

TREVOR CONE: I think looking back on my couple of wins on the Korn Ferry, try and take some techniques I used. I even used one today, I just kind of took a lot of deep breaths in through the nose and then out through the mouth, like four, five seconds of each just to calm down, especially on the greens.

Really just leaning on the fact that I know I can do it and we're going to have to go make birdies, whoever wins tomorrow. It's not like you're going to make pars and do anything, so you've still got to play really good golf and be aggressive and see what happens.

Q. Excited for the opportunity?

TREVOR CONE: Absolutely.

