

ROUND 2 QUICK QUOTES
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RICHARD GREEN (-7)



Q. How's -- I mean, how's the rookie season going? Always strange to call you guys rookies, but by and large, how's it going for you?

RICHARD GREEN: It's going really good. I'm probably playing as good of golf as I played in my career really. Just excited to be over here playing on this tour. Ever since I got the card at the start of the year, I was very excited to be over here playing amongst these guys, guys that are the best of my generation. Pleased that I've been playing well most weeks.

Q. How have you balanced out when to go to Europe and how much to play here?

RICHARD GREEN: Well, I've not really done that this year. I played one event on the Legends Tour this year and --

Q. The one you won, right?

RICHARD GREEN: Yeah, the one I won. It's because I won last, year. Went back to defend that. That's the only one I played other than the Senior British Open, I suppose. I wanted to focus my attention over here. This is the opportunity for the next few years hopefully.

Q. When you won the qualifier and got out here, when you started playing on a week-to-week basis, anything about the competition, about the guys you're going against that struck you as far as -- always hear they're still intense, they still want to win, it's still very, very competitive. Did you find that to be the case?

RICHARD GREEN: Yeah, absolutely, yeah. I knew I was good enough to get onto the tour and play out here, but it's taken to play tournaments and the season to progress to understand the level of competition and the level of golf that's required to win. I've been sort of hovering around sort of the top-20 that are playing. The guys that are playing well this year, I've been hovering around that mark and finally been able to break into that. You know, guys like Steve Stricker and Stephen Ames are winning and that's another -- they're playing at another level. To break into that little group of guys is taking some serious effort.

Q. What's been clicking for you the last two days? What have you been doing well?

RICHARD GREEN: Nothing special, really. I've been playing well. I've putted pretty well on these greens. I've not been super good on bermudagrass greens in the past, but putted pretty nicely this week. I've had my speed going really well. And my iron play's been exceptionally good. Done a lot of work on that in recent weeks and I feel like I've got that where I want it to be to be able to execute some shots under pressure.

Q. Do you like these kind of courses in America?

RICHARD GREEN: Yeah, yeah, I do, yeah. I've enjoyed all the courses this year. They've all been a good challenge and a good test. Feel it allowed guys of our generation, if you play good golf, you'll score on them. If you don't hit the ball well, you won't score. They set them up pretty tricky with pin positions and you've got to be on the money to score and to compete to win at the end of the week.