

**ROUND 1 QUOTES**  
February 1, 2024



**EMILIANO GRILLO (-6)**

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**Q. How would you characterize the round today?**

**EMILIANO GRILLO:** Solid. I mean, bogey free, it's always great. I had a lot of fun, got a great partner. Paul's a phenomenal person so I really enjoyed it out there. It was more like having fun so that really helped. Hopefully we can carry on the good thing from today to tomorrow.

**Q. Does that kind of help when you have a great partner to play an event like this?**

**EMILIANO GRILLO:** Yeah.

**Q. Kind of take your mind off golf between the shots?**

**EMILIANO GRILLO:** Yeah, it was very fun. We connected right away. Yesterday we had lunch and today it was just trying to get him -- a few details here and there how to play better. I think that gets me out of my head and out of my zone and I got to enjoy it.

**Q. What was the best part of your game today?**

**EMILIANO GRILLO:** I kept it in play out here. You've got to be in the fairway to score. I putted well, made some good putts there on the front nine on 1 and 2. Then I enjoyed it. We had good weather in the end and we skipped the rain. It helps.

**Q. When you have soft greens like this and have to control your spin the way you have to, what's kind of the way you go about that to make sure you don't overspin the ball to certain pins?**

**EMILIANO GRILLO:** Yeah, obviously extra club, keeping it low helps. It's very soft out there, you're going to get spin no matter what. Maybe a few holes here and there where it lands like downhill. Besides that, you've got to keep it low, keep the spin down, which is something that takes a lot of years to practice to get it down.

