

ROUND 2 QUICK QUOTES
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THOMAS BJØRN (-5)



Q. Thomas, that was quite an eagle putt there on 18. Can you walk us through it?

THOMAS BJØRN: Yeah, it was kind of -- I didn't play particularly well today, but I got those two eagles, the one on 8 and one on 18, and that kind of set it up for a nice score and probably a little bit more than I deserve. My iron play wasn't great. I drove it pretty well, but sometimes you got to take what you get.

Yeah, it was a nice one to roll in the last one. I hit two very good shots on the last, so it was nice to roll a putt in.

Q. This is a course where there's not a lot of low scores out there. You're 5 under, right in the mix. Kind of what's your mindset going into tomorrow's round?

THOMAS BJØRN: This is a tricky golf course. When you get to our age, it's a long golf course. I think that the youngsters would probably shoot some numbers out there, but at our age it's a long golf course. The greens are tricky and today it was a bit cooler and a bit wet as well. It made it just a little bit more difficult. You end up playing away a lot from the flags and try and just make pars. I think it doesn't invite you to be extremely aggressive, this golf course.

So tomorrow it's about not making mistakes and try and get your nose in there. The guy that's going to win tomorrow is going to hole putts and that's what it always comes down to. You just got to not make too many mistakes and play yourself out of it on the front nine.

Q. You mentioned the length of the course. You look like one of the longer players out there. How much does that give you an advantage when playing a course like this?

THOMAS BJØRN: Yeah, you know, I still tend to play a lot of golf with the youngsters and I have done for the last few years, and obviously main Tour golf, you've got to stand up and hit it hard and even try and get within 20 or 30 yards of some of these guys. I've got to stand up and hit it hard, so I'm comfortable doing that.

I think that's -- you know, when you come out here and play, that gives you a slight advantage that you feel comfortable standing on these tees and give it full rip.

Yeah, I found a new driver that I like and it gives me a bit of confidence as well. I'm in a good place with it and go and give it a go tomorrow.



Q. Thomas, how much would a win here mean for you tomorrow, would it mean coming to the States?

THOMAS BJØRN: Yeah, it would in the sense that I would like to play senior golf. These are the guys that I grew up playing with, I played with them for 25 years. It's nice to come out and see these guys and compete with them again.

I've got a lot of things going on in my life outside of playing golf in the sense of work and all the things that I do. Yeah, but I would certainly rearrange my life to a different way and come and play more.

