

PRINCIPAL CHARITY CLASSIC

ROUND 1 QUOTES
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ROD PAMPLING (-7)

Q. Rod, 7 under today, you've got to feel good about that start, right?

ROD PAMPLING: It was, it's been a long time coming. We haven't really played well this year, so it's nice to actually see it all come together and have a good start to the week.

Q. You say that you haven't played well this year. What was different today?

ROD PAMPLING: Just being more patient, just relaxing, focusing on the targets a lot more. Just when I do something bad I've been getting too angry on the golf course and just silly stuff, just put that aside. Yeah, it's amazing, it works.

Q. Was there anything after Friday of the Senior PGA that you honed in on?

ROD PAMPLING: No, it was just -- I had the form going out there and I was playing fine, driving it well, everything has been good, but when the head isn't in the right spot it's hard to score. So come back here to a course obviously I played well at, it's nice to have some good mojo.

Q. Yeah, and on that note, the restoration, you like the way this course sets up for your game?

ROD PAMPLING: It's good. You've just got to be smart. You've got to miss some of the fairway bunkers, they've got some really big lips on there, so you've got to just work your way around those if you can be aggressive to get beside them or past them, but sometimes you're going to have a blind shot, the lips are so tall. It's there, you can see what you need to do. They've done a good job.

Q. And what's the mindset and focus for the next two days?

ROD PAMPLING: Same, same, no changing. Just a couple of shots I didn't like out there today, so we're just going to work on that, see what happened there. But other than that, the course fits the eye really well, so just go out and just play the game.

