

ROUND 2 QUOTES
June 8, 2024



TIM O'NEAL (-6)

Q. That was an interesting start. (No microphone.)

TIM O'NEAL: First three holes? The first hole wasn't very good, I made double the first hole. And second hole was nice, got eagle, nice bounce-back. From there I played nice.

Q. What was your kind of feeling coming out today? It felt like maybe conditions were OK early and then things kind of unraveled, didn't they?

TIM O'NEAL: Yeah, we knew we were going to get some rain, but didn't know how much, so prepared for that with my rain gear. Yeah, it was OK. Then we had some rain and it stopped. It tends to happen during (inaudible).

Q. Talk to me about where your game is right now. Does it give you a confidence boost knowing that you're in contention tomorrow?

TIM O'NEAL: Yes. This year's been a little struggle, I haven't played as well as I would have liked. A few swing changes and now they're starting to feel a little bit better on the course. Starting to feel some momentum, so hopefully I can continue the momentum tomorrow.

Q. When you see names that you're up against on a leaderboard like this, what goes through your mind? Are you more comfortable in this setting after maybe not having the opportunity earlier in your career?

TIM O'NEAL: Well, I'm playing out here with legends of the game, I've watched these guys all my life and for me to be in contention with these guys, it says my game's in a good spot. Hopefully I can continue to play well tomorrow and see how it goes.

Q. You had some good finishes last year, though, didn't you?

TIM O'NEAL: Yes. Last year was my rookie year. I played OK, not great, not as consistent as I would have liked. This year, a slow start but I can say the few swing changes here and there and now starting to feel a little more comfortable and definitely feeling a lot better on the golf course.

Q. Ernie was saying this is a good course for you and obviously it is. Why is it a good course for you?

TIM O'NEAL: I guess because it's playing a little long, it's wet and soft. Ball's not going as

far, so that helps me out a little bit. The longer guys have a little bit more of an advantage. Still have to chip and putt, but it helps me out a little bit.

Q. Confidence-wise, do you feel your time's coming?

TIM O'NEAL: Yes. You know, all I can do is give myself chances to win and then put myself in that position and whatever happens, happens. All I can do is play my best. But the more opportunities, more times that I'm here I think eventually I'll get it. Hopefully I have more chances before the year's over.