

ROUND 2 QUICK QUOTES
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NEAL SHIPLEY (-3)



Q. Neal, by your own comments yesterday you ranked last in putting, you said you were going to work on that. Obviously did something. Get out today, ho-hum nine straight pars and then you just really lit it up on the back nine. Just a few comments about today.

NEAL SHIPLEY: Yeah, the putting wasn't necessarily much better, but we saw a couple go in, which is good. I think I hit 18 -- or 17 greens and one was like an inch onto the fringe so I'm going to count it and say 18 greens today. And the one that was on the fringe, we made. Yeah, just a really clean round. We drove it really solid. When we didn't hit the fairway, we were in a position where we could get towards the green obviously and get on the green. Yeah, just really good ball-striking today.

Q. And when you get on a moment -- I realize it was only like the last seven or eight holes, do you have to kind of balance yourself, check yourself, or do you just ride that momentum?

NEAL SHIPLEY: Been trying to ride it, especially early on. I think we birdied 1 with a good putt and we kind of took an aggressive line at the pin on 2 and was able to get one in there close and make that putt. There on out it was let's try and keep getting some close looks, keep making some. There's a couple that didn't drop, but there's a few that did and it was a really solid day for us. So really happy and excited to be playing the weekend and have the chance to go maybe chase up the leaderboard tomorrow morning.

Q. And last question for you, you're getting a lot of starts out here, kind of getting into the groove of things. How has life been for you really as a Tour player out here so many weeks now?

NEAL SHIPLEY: You know what, it's been a little crazy. This past week with the travel situation was unbelievable. Appreciate that we had a bunch of guys that were stuck in Reno, we were able to get a jet here on Tuesday. Yeah, just having to deal with some of that stuff early has been hectic.

But being here, getting here on Tuesday night wasn't the best, but dealing with that adversity, something that our coaches in college really told us you're going to face adversity in professional golf and you've got to be ready for it and I think I'm as prepared for all that this week.

