

PURE INSURANCE CHAMPIONSHIP

ROUND 1 QUOTES

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STEVEN ALKER (-5)



STEVEN ALKER: There was a nice chat down the first. Took me a while to get my first birdie but we got into a flow, we played nice on the back. Spy under par is always good, but 5 is even better.

Q. Yeah, you know 5's better because you get to go to Pebble now where it's not quite as long, and you have a calm day like this, you can really go low.

STEVEN ALKER: Yeah, you can get after it. I think just play every -- one at a time. Pebble, you never know. We get some wind it can play a little tricky, but yeah, 5 at Spy is a good start.

Q. What have you been working on to make that happen today?

STEVEN ALKER: Just staying a little more patient with myself, to be honest. I think just putting a little bit too much pressure at times just to try and get a score especially when I've been in the hunt. I think just staying patient, hitting my shots.

And technically not too much, just kind of working on tempo and just making sure I'm striking the ball good. It wasn't quite there today but it's nice to know it's not quite there and still shooting a score, so it's good.

Q. How was it playing with your junior? Do they keep you calm?

STEVEN ALKER: Yeah, no, it was great. We met the other night. I watched her play a couple holes yesterday so I got a feel for her game, how she plays. She's pretty quick, she hits a good ball off the tee. Yeah, it's nice to just kind of feel how she's playing and then whether you leave her alone, do you give her some tips or -- we'll go to the range and we'll do some work afterwards. A couple things to work on.

Q. Are you going to help her out?

STEVEN ALKER: Yeah, absolutely, yeah.

Q. You're good that way.

STEVEN ALKER: Yeah, I like doing that.