

ROUND 2 QUICK QUOTES
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STEVEN ALKER (-9)



Q. Great round out there today . Can you take us through today's round?

STEVEN ALKER: Yeah, nice start, got off to a really nice start. Hitting the ball well. Just the middle kind of slowed down and made a bogey in there. Kind of had to steady the ship a little bit. I made a nice birdie on 11 and 12 that just kind of steadied the ship and felt like I was starting to hit the ball better. We always have these ebbs and flows through three days and that felt like that was my six or seven holes that wasn't quite there. So I was just pleased to finish where I'm still leading. I know it's a pretty bunched leaderboard but it's going to be a fun day tomorrow.

Q. You said yesterday (inaudible.) You even have some friends here. Tell us about that.

STEVEN ALKER: Yeah, first-timers. My daughter, her roommate come out and her family come to watch. Yeah, it seems to be every week there's always some friends or some family. They come out of the woodwork to watch us, which is great, that's what the Champions Tour is all about. People love that. Yeah, it's good to have a little support crew today.

Q. Steven, it's been four tournaments I believe since you finished in the top-10, which is the first time in your career.

STEVEN ALKER: I haven't been counting, Al.

Q. I haven't either. Can you take us through maybe that stretch, what's been going on or --

STEVEN ALKER: Yeah. I mean, there's some stuff off the golf course. Whenever you're dealing with death in the family, it's tough. My wife has lost her parents in the last couple years and we just lost her mother a couple of weeks ago. So there's a lot going on. Yeah, we've been over in the U.K. and we've been back and we've been back to the U.K. So a lot of travel, that's been one thing that's been tough.

Just trying to support my wife, you know. She's been supporting me for 20 years and it's time to support her. Everybody's got stuff going on off the golf course, there's always -- but when you're dealing with death, it's a little bit different just to be in the right place mentally. So starting to get there. Seeing a few putts drop too, that always helps. Tighten up the short game and see some putts drop, so that's always nice.