ROUND 2 INTERVIEW October 30, 2020



WYNDHAM CLARK (-8)

Q. Wyndham, 8 under, tied for the lead. How would you assess what's been working well for you through 36 holes here?

WYNDHAM CLARK: I've hit it pretty good. I played the par 5s pretty solid, I'm making the putts that I need to make and I was really just patient out there. So it was really tough today and I didn't have any blemishes until the end, so I felt pretty good about my round.

Q. How do you compare the conditions today versus yesterday?

WYNDHAM CLARK: Yeah, it's night and day. Yesterday I felt like I left a lot of shots out there and I shot 5 under and today, I mean, until hole 7 I felt like I didn't leave any shots and I was 5 under. So played a lot tougher, but I'm overall pretty pleased with how I played.

Q. Have you played with Ryan Armour at all?

WYNDHAM CLARK: I mean, maybe in a practice round, never in competition.

Q. Seems like a variety of games are at the top of the leaderboard. Kind of is that the nature of this course and everyone's playing from a similar spot?

WYNDHAM CLARK: Yeah, I think if this course, if there's no wind for four days, maybe you'd see similar games at the top, but when it's blowing this hard, it's really whoever just keeps it in front of them, makes the putts they need to make. And there's a lot of luck sometimes with this. Yeah, I mean, there's going to be long hitters, short hitters, everyone up there.

Q. One thing we asked a few guys that came through specifically with the wind is on 16 -- you birdied 16 -- they were talking about just the most absurd shots and stuff they were trying to do. If you could talk us through 16 and your birdie there.

WYNDHAM CLARK: I think for me it didn't play as hard as I thought it would because I -- at the time that I got there, you know, it kind of changed throughout the day, if it was playing directly off the left, if it was a little down.

We had it barely down off the left and so for me, I hit a pitching wedge and it was a pretty good number. So I cut the ball and I started it pretty much left of the hazard line so almost in the water and I was pretty confident that it wasn't going to go in the water. So for me I felt pretty good about the shot. Granted, if we were hitting 6-iron, that would be a little different. But yeah, to make birdie there today, even if I was hitting wedge, I was ecstatic.

Q. Bogeys on 7 and 8. How do you feel about those? They dropped you back a little bit.

WYNDHAM CLARK: Yeah, the wind's picked up I think since we made the turn, I think it picked up a little bit. No. 7, where the pin is, guys in our group, we all played it differently and no one really came close to making birdie. It was a hard hole today.

And then same with 8, we all were hitting 6- and 5-irons into a par-3 from 160 and I missed about a five-footer. It's bound to happen. If I didn't bogey those, it would be one of the best rounds of my career, but it's pretty hard to play a round with 30-mile-an-hour winds and not make any bogeys. It happens.

Q. All in all, a good day for you?

WYNDHAM CLARK: Yeah, I'm not looking at those last two bogeys. I'm up there in contention and that's all that matters.

Q. It did drop you down to a first-place tie.

WYNDHAM CLARK: Granted, I had a great look on 6 to extend my lead and then coming into a par-5, but I just knew it was going to be tough turning back into the wind. It's bound to happen, so I'm not too concerned about it.

Q. It's Halloween tomorrow. What's your favorite Halloween costume?

WYNDHAM CLARK: That I've worn?

Q. Yeah.

WYNDHAM CLARK: In college when I was at Oklahoma State we all wore the Jamaican bobsled team and we -- we were in a bobsled, so we walk into a party with all four of us. That was a pretty fun one.

Q. (Inaudible.)

WYNDHAM CLARK: I'm trying to think. We're all White, so it kind of made it a little -- we just wore the outfits and we walked in with it, so it was pretty funny.