Steve Stricker

Bogey free round, your birdied the last four. You had previously set the course record and tied it again today after Robert Karrison tied it at 63. You're at the top of the leaderboard heading into tomorrow as the defending champion. How does that feel?

It was a good finish, I needed to get that finish just to stay somewhat near him. I played well all around today, made a few putts, missed a few, but made a lot of nice ones coming in and that was a good feeling.

Steve, did you have you're A-game today, B-game the last few days?

I don't know. I've been hitting the ball really nicely, I would just say that I haven't been getting it in the hole the first couple of days like I did today. There was a while where I didn't do that very well, but I finished strong and made some really nice putts. I hit it consistent all day, hit a lot of fairways and a lot of greens, and gave myself a lot of opportunities.

If you don't go on that stretch and shoot 30 on the back, are you in this thing tomorrow? It's hard to tell. Robert is playing well, he's been a good player for a long time. There's good scores out here if you can keep it in play, but you have to make the putts, that's the bottom line. I knew I needed about four on that side just to keep it in striking distance and I got a little more that I was set out to do. That's always a good feeling and it puts me in a good spot for tomorrow, it should be fun.

Did you change anything in your putting?

Probably tempo more than anything is what I worked on, and I tried to forget about my putting stroke and get into the line and hit my line. I did that well at times, and at others I didn't. Again, I made some really nice ones coming in.

Theoretically 18-under could win tomorrow, or 24-under. How does that make you feel before you tee off when you have no idea what's going to happen?

I imagine it's going to come close to the 24 number. With the conditions the way they are, the course is in great shape, I don't think we're supposed to have a lot of wind again tomorrow, the ball is going a long way. You're going to have to make birdies tomorrow to stay up on the top.