

ROUND 2 INTERVIEW
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MIKE WEIR (-10)

Q. Mike, first victory on the PGA TOUR Champions. How does it feel?

MIKE WEIR: It feels great. Yeah, as Billy Ray said, I've had a couple close calls and I was making it hard on myself. I hit so many great shots here coming down the stretch there on 16, 17 close. I had a couple really nice looks and didn't get one of those in; otherwise, I would have made myself a little easier time here on 18.

But it feels great. Yeah, I don't know what to say. It feels like all the hard work I put in in these last few years is paying off. It feels great.

Q. Mike, sounds like you got a little emotion there talking about your 40s and some of the injuries and stuff like that. Like how much does this sort of --

MIKE WEIR: Well, it's a new phase of life, 50s. I tried to turn the page on my 40s. It was miserable all the way around. So 50s have been great. Life's good and my game's showing up. In a good place.

Q. Mike, you were talking about you hit a lot of really good shots today. Several guys hit a lot of good shots out there today. So were you kind of following what was going on as far as what Daly was doing?

MIKE WEIR: Yeah, I can't see what's going on, but I can see the board. I saw on I believe 13 or 14, the par 5, I saw him roll in a long putt for eagle. Nice putt there. And I followed that up, hit it three feet for eagle, so that was big. So I saw him do that there, but other than that, I was just kind of watching the board. I wasn't -- not paying attention to what everyone else was doing.

Q. Yeah, as long as you're making birdies, that's all --

MIKE WEIR: Well, I was trying to -- in my head, I thought 12 under. I felt like if I could get to 12, that would probably be -- that would win. 11 might be close and ended up being 10. You know, I had that number in mind so I was shooting for that number.

Q. You mentioned Billy Ray talking about you used driver. Just kind of talk about your mindset on that.

MIKE WEIR: Well, like I said, I drove the ball really, really well today. I hit one poor tee shot on the front nine on the par 5, but other than that, I hit the driver fantastic so I didn't want to back off that. When I teed off on 18, we were tied for the lead and I was thinking birdie to

win, so I wanted to get a shot up there with hopefully a short-ish, shorter iron. He hit a 3-wood off that tee, and if you miss hit it at all, you're back there with a 5-iron or longer to the pin with the wind swirling, so you don't want that shot. So I wanted to be aggressive.

Q. Mike, how about 13, the eagle. When we were talking to John, he was like, man, I thought when he eagled and he was like, man, he just came on top of me and eagled on top of me.

MIKE WEIR: Yeah, it was the prettiest shot I've hit in a long time. Just a high fade 7-iron. It just never left the flag, three feet from the hole. It was a magical shot.