

# ANA Inspiration

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Rancho Mirage, California, USA

Mission Hills Country Club

## Mel Reid

### Quick Quotes

**Q. A nice steady 2-under par-70 today; how did it go out there today?**

MEL REID: Yeah, it was good. I hit it solid. Hit a couple of drives here and there which I'm not overly pleased with, but that just goes to show there's room for improvement over the weekend. Yeah, left a couple out there but made some great par saves at the same time. So feel like I'm in a great position going into the weekend.

**Q. Is there any hole that stands out as maybe one that was a great save today that kind of helped keep you in the hunt here heading into the weekend?**

MEL REID: Yeah, 12 I kind of hit it slightly left off the tee. It's such a difficult tee shot on No. 12. I kind of hit it at the back and made a great chip, almost holed it. That was a great par save. And then the next hole I hit the cart path on the left. I hate concrete cart paths. They don't like me. We had to just try and scoot it in that front right bunker and knocked it to about 10 feet and holed a really nice kind of snakey right to lefter there, so that kind of kept the momentum. Yeah, so made some really good par saves.

**Q. Just one bogey in each of the first two rounds; how close do you feel if you can eliminate those over the weekend you can be making --**

MEL REID: Yeah, and it was a stupid bogey. I had a gap wedge in, just caught it slightly fat when it was into grain. Yeah, like I said, there's certainly room for improvement, which is obviously a good sign, and yeah, I'm excited for the weekend.

**Q. How did you feel the course played in relation to your round yesterday in the afternoon?**

MEL REID: The greens were definitely a touch softer. They're still baking out a little bit for the afternoon lot. But it's in good shape, again, very similar to yesterday. Ball wasn't flying quite as far this morning, and we had a little bit of an advantage having the greens slightly softer.



**Q. Would you like to see the course get firmer and faster on the weekend?**

MEL REID: Yeah, I would. I have a nice high ball flight, so I would love to see it get a little firmer. But I think the greens will naturally, if I'm completely honest. They've kind of got firmer over the last couple days, so yeah, I mean, I would love it to be playing a little bit firmer and faster. I think it would benefit me, so I'd be all up for that.

**Q. Obviously Nelly is playing very well; what do you like most about her game?**

MEL REID: I'm a big fan of Nelly. She's not only a great golfer, she's a great girl. She swings it pure. I think she's got one of if not the best golf swing out here, and she's just got a great head on her. I think Jess has helped her out a lot. Those two are extremely close. Living in Jupiter I've gotten to know Jess pretty well. Yeah, I think she's just -- the sky is the limit for her. I think she's a great player, and she's definitely going to be the one to catch this weekend.

**Q. At what point did she stop being Jessica's sister and just become her own player and person?**

MEL REID: I think when she won pretty much straightaway. Yeah, it's always tough when your sister is as successful as Jess, but I think she's handled the whole pressure and the atmosphere out here very, very well. You know, all credit to her. Like I said, I'm a big fan of Nelly. She's a great girl, which is more important than being a great golfer. Yeah, she's got a very steady head on her shoulders.

**Q. How are they different, those two?**

MEL REID: Nelly is a little bit more reserved, if I'm honest. Jess is a little bit more -- speaks her mind, which I quite enjoy. I think me and Jess have some good conversations. Yeah, she's certainly more reserved. She's very laid back. Yeah, they are very, very different, but I think that together they're kind of a perfect match.

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