

AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am

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Pebble Beach, California, USA

Pebble Beach Golf Links

Scott Stallings

Quick Quotes



Q. 5-under, 67 today. What was the key to your round out there?

SCOTT STALLINGS: I think patience. We had a golf course that we don't get very often here as far as the wind and just overall condition. It was very cold this morning. I have not hit range balls out of frost in a long time. But it warmed up quick. The golf course held up great with all the rain that they have had.

Left a few out there, but I'm sure a lot of guys will say the same thing. It's there for the taking. You got to keep it in front of you and manage it. Some of the challenging holes are still challenging, but you definitely have a lot of opportunities to make birdies.

Q. Can you take us through 11?

SCOTT STALLINGS: It's honestly a shot that we've been working on a lot. Just kind of like a sort of like a dead-arm wedge, which you hit a lot out here. But it was like the perfect number to hit a sand wedge. But it was like enough wind and just with the condition and everything it was like I was -- just because I had been practicing, I was trying to figure out a way to almost like not hit it because it was basically the only club that could go over the green. And I just said, Man, I think this is sort of like a toe-down lob wedge and I make the same swing and hopefully I can get it to make one big bounce and it bounced right in. So it was nice. It was something that we've definitely been practicing on and was able to pull it off. Obviously a bonus that it went in.

Q. That was a lob wedge on that?

SCOTT STALLINGS: Yeah.

Q. You talked about taking advantage of today knowing that Pebble Beach conditions are always changing. How do you, what's strategy going into tomorrow's round?

SCOTT STALLINGS: Take one day at a time. Spyglass is

an interesting test. I was in great position going into Spyglass last year and struggled. Didn't necessarily do anything bad, it was just, sort of got in a bad position, made a bogey when I probably shouldn't have. It was just kind of -- Spyglass is the hardest place to play feeling like you have to make birdies. When you can kind of keep it going, hit it in the fairway, pick your spots it's fine. But when you kind of feel like your back's up against the wall Spyglass is definitely the hardest just because the greens are, just the nuance to it. You got a lot of up-and-down hills and you're never a hundred percent sure you have the right club. There's a lot of -- you have to think your way around there, for sure.

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