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TiburÃ³n Golf Club

Retief Goosen

Quick Quotes

Q. Retief, another 67 for you today, 10-under heading into Sunday. Your thoughts on the round today to start.

RETIEF GOOSEN: Yeah, I got off to a great start today. Great front nine and then birdied 10 and 11 and then made a couple silly mistakes and another par on the back nine, but finished off nicely and got a big break on 17.

Drove it into long grass there in a fire ant nest and were lucky to get a drop away from that and managed to make par, so that was big turnaround for the round.

Q. (Regarding 17.)

RETIEF GOOSEN: I had a mile left in there, you know, I hit 4-iron still. Yeah, I thought I just had to chip it out, and when I got there and this big fire ant nest, I had to stand right on it. Rules of golf went in my favor for a change and got away looking like making bogey or double bogey and got away with 4.

Q. How big was it to rebound with a couple birdies coming in after the bogeys?

RETIEF GOOSEN: Yeah, just really stupid bogeys. But, yeah, the last few holes are not playing easy, except 15 was playing downwind at least. I had a good drive and a 6-iron. Hit a good putt; didn't go in.

But 16, 17 are difficult. And 18, even today it's into the wind and yesterday was downwind, so it played quite a bit different.

Q. Get there at 18?

RETIEF GOOSEN: I had a drive and a rescue. I was trying to leave it just on the front edge there, which I did, and managed to get it up and down from there.

Q. What are your thoughts from tomorrow? It's a



jam-packed leaderboard and a lot of nice names up there. What do you have to do to prevail?

RETIEF GOOSEN: Well, tomorrow is going to be another different wind. We've had southwest. Today was northwest of. Tomorrow I think is back to south or southwest. So the course plays a little differently every day.

Yeah, it's one of those courses. If you strike it well you got birdie chances. A lot of the holes you can hit shot irons in, and get a hot putter, you can shoot a low one.

Like you say, anybody can shoot a low one tomorrow, but I think as long as we finish ahead of Bernard, you got a good chance of winning.

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