

# Zurich Classic of New Orleans

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## David Lipsky

## Aaron Rai

### Press Conference

**Q. 2-under 70 with tough conditions with the wind out there. David, we'll start with you. Just comment on your round.**

DAVID LIPSKY: Yeah, it was tough out there. I didn't hit the best shots today, but I felt like I holed some key putts when I needed to and sort of kept our round going and allowed Aaron to free him up and to fire some pins.

**Q. Aaron, talk a little bit about your game today and the team as a whole.**

AARON RAI: Pretty similar. I think we were definitely a little more on the conservative side, and I think the conditions played a part in doing that in some tough pin positions, but we hit some good shots out there.

As Dave said, some really good up-and-downs. Dave made some great putts just to keep the momentum going. So we stuck in there really well today and hit some good shots when we needed to. I think anything under par today is a pretty good score.

**Q. Currently the top of the leaderboard. A lot of golf left to play today, but just talk a little bit about your strategy now as you head back to four-ball tomorrow.**

DAVID LIPSKY: I think it's a little bit dependent on the conditions tomorrow. It's supposed to be a little breezy, but four-ball is the day you make up ground, make a ton of birdies and try to give yourself a little bit of a cushion. I think that's our main focus going into tomorrow.

**Q. 18 a little bit of a hiccup. How important was it to make bogey there?**

DAVID LIPSKY: Yeah, it was nice for me to make that putt after I double-crossed that drive off the tee. That wasn't fun, I'll be honest.

We played solid today. Mistakes will happen, especially



when it's this breezy.

**Q. When you make that putt on 18, is that a little bit of a momentum builder for tomorrow knowing you're not coming off of a double?**

DAVID LIPSKY: Definitely, definitely.

AARON RAI: 100 percent. As Dave mentioned, we're playing 72 holes together, we're always going to hit some poor shots in there. That's just a part of it. Yeah, nice to recover, hit some good shots into 18, and Dave made a great putt there to make bogey. So definitely some momentum going into tomorrow.

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