

Alfred Dunhill Links Championship

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St. Andrews, Fife, Scotland

Ryan Fox

Quick Quotes

Q. Great way to finish with four birdies coming in, and great start to your title defense.

RYAN FOX: Yeah, I mean, this is kind of a course I've not really figured out too much before. I think it's probably the hardest of the three, and if you get around here a couple under par, you feel like you've done not too much damage.

And I played great most of the day. Front nine I probably could have been a couple shots better quite easily. But sort of made that up on the back.

Birdied a couple of those tough holes. 16, 17, I figure are a nice bonus. You don't expect to play those holes in a couple under. I'm really chuffed with the start. Obviously some of the trickiest conditions out there, as well, through the rain, and it's not normally my strong point either. So pretty happy with how I handled all of that. Certainly would have taken a 66 at start of the day.

Q. How much encouragement can you take from that, the sternest of the three courses?

RYAN FOX: Yeah, I playing really solid. I missed a couple of fairways early but on the back nine I drove it really good, which you have to do around here. Hit a lot of good iron shots. Gave myself plenty of chances and you know, I can definitely take a lot from it and looking at the weather forecast, looks like we might get beaten up the next couple days but nice to get a good score in today to give yourself a little bit of a buffer with what's coming.

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