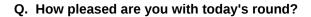
### **U.S. Open Championship 2025**

Saturday, June 14, 2025 Oakmont, Pennsylvania, USA Oakmont Country Club

### Rasmus Neergaard-Petersen

**Quick Quotes** 



RASMUS NEERGAARD-PETERSEN: It was great. I'm really, really proud of how I handled myself, obviously getting off to a slow start and then being able to get back in the round.

Obviously that bunker shot I hit on 4 kind of got a nice little run started, but I didn't feel like I was too bothered about bad shots, just kept moving along, and yeah, really pleased with where I've ended up.

# Q. When you get off to a start like that, do you just keep patient and hope that something like the bunker shot helps you along the way?

RASMUS NEERGAARD-PETERSEN: Yeah, that's the thing. Usually you can get off to a slow start and then you kind of have to stay patient, which is true here also, but it's like, you never know when you're going to get any kind of good looks for birdie because this course is really hard, so you kind of have to just keep hitting the right shot, making the sensible decision, not trying to force anything. I feel like I did a really good job of that today.

#### Q. I think there's only two players with two under-par rounds this week. How proud are you of what you've achieved so far?

RASMUS NEERGAARD-PETERSEN: It's been great. Obviously for my first U.S. Open it's been incredible. I feel like my game has been in a really good spot, and to be able to have two under-par rounds so far is really good, and I've been feeling like my game has been in a good spot for a while. The last three, four events I haven't really got the most out of it, but I feel like when I saw this place the first time, it really suits my eye, and I like that kind of test where you kind of just have to accept that it's really difficult, and sometimes you're not going to hit it close and you kind of have to think your way around the golf course.

Q. How did today's 69 compare with Thursday's 69?



RASMUS NEERGAARD-PETERSEN: I almost feel like today's 69 was better in that on Thursday I got off to a really good start and kind of cruised from there. But today obviously being 2-over through 3, 69 is not the first thought that pops up in my head at that point. It's just trying to make some pars and then kind of move on from there. It was really good.

# Q. Going into tomorrow possibly around the top 10, what are some of your expectations for tomorrow?

RASMUS NEERGAARD-PETERSEN: The only expectation I have for tomorrow is that I can go out and get the same mental attitude to just accept whatever comes my way, accepting bad shots, accepting making mistakes, and then just keep moving along. If I can do that tomorrow, then no matter the result I'll be happy.

## Q. Where do you rank the performance this week in your career so far?

RASMUS NEERGAARD-PETERSEN: It's tough. I feel like this week overall it's been really good all around. There hasn't really been any part of my game -- maybe the speed of the greens the first couple rounds, but other than that it's been kind of an all-around performance. But I think what kind of sets this one in terms of mentally in terms of accepting whatever comes your way, this has been close to the best, I think.

#### Q. Have you got a score in mind tomorrow?

RASMUS NEERGAARD-PETERSEN: No, I don't think you can go into a round out here thinking about a score. You have to just hit the shots in front of you. You can't think that far ahead.

Q. Can you talk more about the stretch 4 through 7? You obviously talked about the bunker shot. Starting that stretch of good holes, but how dialed in, how much of a flow state is that for you when you're just going birdie, birdie, birdie?

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RASMUS NEERGAARD-PETERSEN: It was great. I told Brian walking up 18, my caddie, that's the thing, you've just got to stay in there and stay focused, even if you get on some bad runs. Obviously you hit a bunker shot like that, it kind of gets you started, then you hit a nice wedge close on 5 and make birdie there, and then all of a sudden you roll in a long putt on 6, complete bonus, and then before you know it you've made three in a row and then you hit another good approach and roll in a putt, and it's like, you're not really thinking about going on a run like that. You've just kind of got to let it happen. It happened today, and it was really cool.

Q. You've made the cut, you're very much in the mix here; how do you keep golf out of your mind tonight or do you keep golf out of your mind tonight?

RASMUS NEERGAARD-PETERSEN: Absolutely. We're in a house this week, and I think my parents went out and bought some steaks, so we're going to have a nice little cookout, so I'm looking forward to that.

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