

# The 151st Open

Mixed Zone

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**Emiliano Grillo**



**Q. Tell me a little bit about your round today. You still haven't lost your will. You're still there.**

EMILIANO GRILLO: Yeah, no.

**Q. The course is playing tough.**

EMILIANO GRILLO: Yeah, the course is tough. Obviously not the start we hoped for, but, you know, I was able to get it together after a few birdies.

And then obviously not the finish that we hoped for, but got lucky with the draw on 16 and hit it close to the green. I was 25 yards from the hole and could have two-putts, and then just bad bogey on 17.

**Q. It looked like you have found some kind of serenity or calmness. When things get harder you can recover and come back.**

EMILIANO GRILLO: Yeah, I mean, obviously you don't hope for starts like that, but you have 18 holes and you have to hope for the best.

So I expect to have a few birdies here and there every round, and that's why sometimes you don't have to get ahead of yourself.

But obviously double on 2 wasn't expected. You know, had a good lie. Thought I hit a great shot from the bunker and walked out with a 6.

So those things happen in links golf.

**Q. (Indiscernible).**

EMILIANO GRILLO: I go away from the ball and I get handsy so basically like I try to get my chest into the ball and body away from the ball.

**Q. (Indiscernible.)**

EMILIANO GRILLO: Yeah.

**Q. And what's the dominant shot, fade or draw?**

EMILIANO GRILLO: You know, I would love it to be a fade but I haven't seen it in many years. Yeah, always trying to -- I mean, I try to keep it simple and maybe not shaping many shots.

If I maybe if I have a bit of pressure I'll go for a bit of a draw.

**Q. Some people talk about the wind on the driving range, that it's blowing.**

EMILIANO GRILLO: Yeah. It's such a bitch. It's hard. Yeah, you go on the first hole, it's no problem. Standing on the second hole, I mean, I bailed out right both days.

Kind of hard to get it far enough left just because you're starting your balls on the range, starting them right, and then you play the whole front nine and playing with the same wind as the range and then you got to go the opposite.

Then it's like making the...

**Q. And the ball is just going...**

EMILIANO GRILLO: I guess. I mean, my ball, 100 yards right, so it's kind of those things. It's kind of hard to make the switch.

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