The 152nd Open

Mixed Zone Thursday, 18 July 2024 **Cam Smith**



Q. Obviously a tough one today. What are your immediate thoughts?

CAM SMITH: Just a bad day, really. I mean, if you had have told me yesterday that I was going to shoot that, I wouldn't have said that was possible. But yeah, just a bit of a crappy start and didn't really manage to hole any putts when I needed to to get back in it.

It was just a bad day and some bad breaks, as well.

Q. When you have the trouble on the second, how did you get yourself back together after that?

CAM SMITH: Yeah, there's a lot of golf left after that point. There's still 17 holes left. Anything can happen. I've done it before. I think it was actually on the second, as well, where I've tripled and went on to win the golf tournament.

There's a couple of things that roll over in your mind just to boot you in the butt and get you thinking. But yeah, it was just a brutal day, really. I really was quietly confident this week after last week, and yeah, just a bad day.

Q. A couple late birdies; what does that do for you heading into tomorrow?

CAM SMITH: Yeah, just go out there and try and shoot a really low one to get to the weekend. That's the goal at the moment. It's a big task, given the golf course is what it is. It doesn't really hand you a lot of easy shots out there.

Just prepare the way I prepared this morning. I don't think anything will change. I'll probably hit a few balls on the range tonight, but yeah, there's nothing else I can do to change it up. It was just a bad day.

Q. (On the difficulty of the course).

CAM SMITH: Well, it was really hard if you ask me. If you ask Shane, it would probably be a different story. No, it's hard, mate. A lot of crosswinds. Hard to keep your ball in the fairway, and when you're in the rough, you're kind of guessing with landing something short with the bounces you get. It was brutal. It really was a good test of golf, and you needed to be on your A+ game to shoot under par, and I witnessed it. He played good.

Q. What was the Postage Stamp playing like? The wind was kind of moving across.

CAM SMITH: Yeah, it was just left to right. It was maybe 110 metres or something like that. For me, it was kind of right in between a gappy and sandy -- a gap wedge and a pitching wedge. It would have been -- the whole day would have been kind of off the left, kind of teetering to into. It would have been a pretty interesting hole to watch I'm assuming.

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