

The Senior Open

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Sunningdale, Berkshire, England

Sunningdale Golf Club

Rich Beem

Quick Quotes



Q. Rich, Radar called you a part-timer out there. How difficult is it when you're not playing all the time to compete?

RICH BEEM: It's tough. You know, it's fun yesterday, trying to hit some of the shots and distance control, had a couple of wedges on 16 and 17 and I just never came within 30 feet of getting it up near the hole.

So distance control, and by the time you get to 15, your brain is already checking out a little bit, I have to be honest with you. It's tough, coming out here and trying to compete against guys that do this day-in and day-out but I'm having a blast.

Q. On the other side of the microphone, your brain tells you can hit the shot, but you're not playing and practicing; does that come into play?

RICH BEEM: It's not that I doubt the shot. I just don't conjure it up. I should try and flight some wedges down and try and hit some different shots out there but once you get a number, you're trying to almost hit the number but today was different.

Today you had to hit some shots because of the breeze out there, so that helped a little bit get some imagination going, but right now I think that's the toughest part is coming out here and getting some imagination and trying to hit those shots because let's face it you're trying not to mess anything up too badly at times.

I think that's the hardest thing to get past is how to actually play a shot.

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