Senior PGA Championship

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Phillip Archer

Quick Quotes

THE MODERATOR: We're here with Phillip Archer at the 2025 Senior PGA Championship. 3-under on the day, 4-under overall. What was your round like today?

PHILLIP ARCHER: Yeah, I played solid. Played solid yesterday. A couple of three-putts later on in the round spoilt it yesterday, but again, just fairways and greens. Swing feels good. Ball is starting where it should. Yeah, got the pace of the greens really. Holing out well from six foot and in, which is key on these, and managed to roll a couple in today, which was nice.

Q. What are a couple of keys to navigating a big golf course like this?

PHILLIP ARCHER: Well, I'm driving it lovely, so I'm hitting the driver a long way at the moment, so I've been into a few of the par-5s -- I've not took the par-5s on the front nine on; I've just laid them up. But I'm going into 11 and 16 with irons, so I've made birdies on them both days, which is key, and the wind is helping you on them par-5s. But if I keep the driver going, then it's bringing it down to a little bit shorter, so that's going well.

Q. It looks like conditions are going to be different every day. Yesterday was very different, today is the wind.

PHILLIP ARCHER: Yeah, the wind was up this morning. We were supposed to generally get up throughout the day, but it seems to have dropped a little bit now. Whether it gets up in the afternoon -- but yesterday was a bit brutal. We had some proper squalls come through on the front nine and the back nine, and that softened the course right up really. It's much more playable, firing into the greens and stuff. It's a bit varied, but that's what us English like.

Q. It's still Friday, but the feeling of being in contention in a senior major, is that something -- how do you handle that?

PHILLIP ARCHER: Yeah, that's what you practice for. That's what you do all the hard work for, to be honest, to be



in these positions. So to go into the weekend with a chance and be in the last few groups, that's good. I was up there in Porthcawl a couple of years ago in Senior Open. Hopefully lean on a little bit of experience there a little bit. But my routines have been great for two days, haven't missed many shots, haven't missed many distances, which is key. No reason why we can't be up there come the weekend.

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