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Scioto Country Club

## Greg Chalmers

### Quick Quotes

**Q. Greg, can you talk about your start today. Great start, and you actually were in the lead at one point.**

GREG CHALMERS: Honestly out of the gate I didn't do very well. I snap hooked it in the rough off 10, made an up-and-down with a wedge. Did that twice on my first nine holes, that back nine, going up-and-down from like 100 yards for par. I think I hit only four fairways today.

There was a bit of smoke and mirrors going on there for a minute. I birdied 1 to get to 3-under. Every time I got it in play I seemed to make a good opportunity, but I really didn't feel like I was in control and knew what was going on.

I missed a lot of fairways and was really fighting it, and that caught up with me at the end here. That's what this golf course does. It can be going on just fine and then some easy mistakes. Before you know it, you've made three bogeys in a row or if not worse.

So the way I hit it, I'm actually happy with 1-under. I could have snuck a lower one in there and then got to work on trying to fix my day, but it's a decent score today. So it's fine.

**Q. That is the point. You're only a couple behind, and even though you say you had a few problems today, what's your mindset going into the next round?**

GREG CHALMERS: I played really nicely last week, and I just didn't have that today. So if I could drive it -- I've got to drive it better than this or you can't win around here this week.

The fairways are plenty wide enough. I was laughing myself because we actually measured the 15th fairway at 61 paces, and I missed it by 20 today. So it's not wide enough (laughter).

That's the kind of thing that I need to drive it better



tomorrow. It would be great if this was my bad day, like with ball striking, hitting, and scoring. Even though I know there was an opportunity to shoot a low score, a lower score, it really didn't feel like I was in a good place and hitting the ball nicely.

**Q. Even though you weren't in a good place, what held it together for you, your experience?**

GREG CHALMERS: Yeah, a little bit and just trying to -- I've been working really hard on things like staying patient, get up-and-down if you can, roll those putts in if you can. I made a nice one on No. 5, I think, after driving it way offline.

When you start hitting shots like that, the bogeys are going to come at some point. Probably the only frustrating thing, making bogey on 8 and 9 from the fairway on 8 with like a 7-iron in, and 9 is only a 9-iron today. So it's a bit of a soft finish, but I hit the shots poorly, and that's what happens when you're not in control and feel good.

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