## ROUND 2 INTERVIEW October 30, 2020



## RYAN ARMOUR (-8)

Q. At 15, after you hit that chip shot, the wind almost blew you down the hill. Was I seeing that right?

**RYAN ARMOUR:** Absolutely. On 15 there over ocean side, I had a chip behind the green and on my backswing I got blown and like I had the grass mark right on the toe of the club and I'm like, wow, I almost missed that chip shot. So I was happy to get out of there with 4.

Q. All in all, though, a good day for you. I love watching you play in the wind because you're holding those shots off, you're hitting a lot of low trajectory shots. You're good in the wind.

**RYAN ARMOUR:** I enjoy it, I enjoy the challenge of it. Today was really hard. I was just telling him that we didn't know whether to say get up, get down, what to tell it. We couldn't judge the distance very well and we had some balls going sideways out there and my ball doesn't usually go sideways, and it would just get up in the wind and it would go 20 yards further left or right than you wanted it to.

Q. The birdie at 17 I thought was important for you, gets you to 8 under. Such effort for what could be a really good weekend.

**RYAN ARMOUR:** Yeah, I hope so. I did what I could out there today to get it under par was big, especially starting 3 under. You don't want to go backwards from a number ever. I mean, I can't stress how difficult it really was out there.

Q. I love watching you play in the wind. You play everything a little back in your stance?

**RYAN ARMOUR:** Right.

Q. Is that what you were doing?

**RYAN ARMOUR:** Yeah, I was trying to just to flight some shots. I would probably get them exiting a little too far right and they would ride the wind a little, but all in all, I controlled the trajectory pretty good out there.

Q. What do you do the rest of the day? Just enjoy Bermuda?

**RYAN ARMOUR:** Yeah, I'll be chilling at the hotel. I've got a book and might sit by the pool.

Q. Just in general, Ryan, how mentally and physically challenging is it on a day like today when the wind's gusting up to 35 miles an hour?

**RYAN ARMOUR:** It's physically tiring, and then mentally, like I was saying, you just don't know what to tell the golf ball to do to be a cheerleader, so you're just trying to keep yourself in the fight. Starting off well helped because it gave me a cushion. If anyone goes bogey free today, I'll be shocked. I mean, it's really difficult out there. I missed a three-footer on 13 straight up the hill, but I just got blown, so I mis-hit the putt. You know, I'm tired.

Q. Do you get to the point where there's some shots that it's just an educated guess and you just let whatever happens, happen?

**RYAN ARMOUR:** Absolutely. You just try and hit the center of the clubface. You add all your input and I'm just trying to hit it in the center and go from there.

Q. How would you grade today's round versus yesterday's 7 under?

**RYAN ARMOUR:** Overall, yesterday's was better. Today was a fight and I'm glad -- anytime you can get under par on a day like this I'm very happy with it. I would like to have a few shots back, but I think everyone in the field wants some back. Yesterday's round was definitely better.

Q. Knowing your game and you see it's windy this morning, does that -- like were you happy to see --

**RYAN ARMOUR:** Oh, I loved it, I was excited. It's a challenge. I don't know, we're not playing in the dome, we're on an island in the Atlantic. This isn't Palm Springs. You've got to hit some golf shots. It's fun.

Q. You're in at 8 under, afternoon wave's just teeing off. At the end of the day, what would your expectations be with that score? Where would you think it would be?

**RYAN ARMOUR:** I'll be in the top-5, I think so. I think someone will get to double digits, though. You can definitely get some birdies on some certain holes where you can take advantage of the wind, but there are big numbers out there. If you try and get too aggressive on holes like 15 and you try and squeeze drive down there instead of hitting 4-iron off the tee, you can make a big number.

## Q. What book are you reading?

**RYAN ARMOUR:** What am I reading. I just started, I just literally bought it in the airport. It's some spy novel. I think it's Brad Taylor.

Q. (Question regarding Halloween costume.)

**RYAN ARMOUR:** You know, an embarrassing one, I went as a baby in college, so I wore a Depends and a binkie and a bib and that's all I wore going around to parties. It's pretty funny.

## Q. I'm sure if there are any photos they've been destroyed by now, right?

**RYAN ARMOUR:** Well, we didn't have cell phones then. Remember? You've got to remember how old I am.