ROUND 1 INTERVIEW October 27, 2022

BRIAN STUARD (-6)



Q. Brian, in with 6 under this morning, conditions were pretty good. What was the golf course like? What did it play like for you?

BRIAN STUARD: Yeah, soft, receptive, greens were rolling great. You kind of felt like you had to take advantage of a day like this, for sure.

Q. Yeah, very little wind this morning. It's anticipated to strengthen this afternoon. You did take advantage of it. What did you do particularly well out there? I see you had an eagle at No. 9. Talk about that a little bit, too.

BRIAN STUARD: Yeah, I played pretty solid. I didn't drive it great, but I putted really nice, made a nice putt on No. 1 to kind of get me going. Then obviously, I think I was even through 8 and then holing the shot on 9 kind of kickstarted my round, I guess.

Q. What did you hit there? How long was the shot?

BRIAN STUARD: It was playing 136 up the hill. I hit pitching wedge in. It was just kind of a perfect smash pitching wedge and luckily it went in.

Q. Could you see it go in?

BRIAN STUARD: No, it was way up the hill.

Q. Was there anybody up there?

BRIAN STUARD: Yeah, there was a few fans yelling, yeah.

Q. What's your form been like coming in here? What have you anticipated coming To bermuda this week?

BRIAN STUARD: Yeah, I've been playing better. Haven't played in the last three weeks, haven't gotten in, but yeah, just kind of been practicing a little bit trying to stay sharp. Feel like my game's there, just kind of got to get it done. Today I was able to get it in the hole, which was nice.

Q. This is your fourth year here. What have you learned in the previous three trips that helped you today?

BRIAN STUARD: Yeah, I think you've got to drive it well on a few holes and then just kind



of got to take advantage of the par 5s are all kind of gettable. But yeah, I think the greens are great, so you just kind of have to hole some putts and you've got to take advantage of days like today. I mean, I can only think of maybe one other day we've had no wind around here, so it was a great morning to play golf.

