ROUND 3 INTERVIEW April 3, 2021

ANIRBAN LAHIRI (-7)



## Q. Anirban, a 3-under 69, solid day of golf today. What are your takeaways?

**ANIRBAN LAHIRI:** I'm really happy with the way I played. I think this is the most solid I've played tee to green in a while. I felt really calm and, you know, I kind of knew what I was doing and it's really nice. I do feel like I left quite a few shots out there. I hit it really good. So yeah, I think I would have liked to be maybe two, three shots better, but still got a look at it tomorrow. So if I can go out and do the same things I did today, maybe make a couple more, it would be nice to get in the hunt.

## Q. You mentioned this is the first time you felt so solid in a while. What have been some of the challenges that you've been dealing with and how have you gotten to this positive place?

**ANIRBAN LAHIRI:** Well, you know, it's just work. You've got to work at it. And I know the results haven't showed it, but I know I've been getting better. My ball-striking hasn't been anywhere near my usual standards. Yeah, I think I just got down to it with my coach. We've been doing a lot of work back and forth and just trying to simplify things. I think I was making things more complicated than they need to be and I think that's been the key this week. A golf course like this is really good if you can have good strategies and that's really helped me.

## Q. Based on what you've seen in your game over the past three days, what will it take tomorrow to come out with a win?

**ANIRBAN LAHIRI:** Well, I mean, there's a lot of good players. Again, there's two main things out here, it's conditions and pin positions. I think today, after the rain, today was probably the best day to really go deep, and the greens are rolling a lot better with the extra moisture they got. So it will be interesting to see what the weather forecast is, how the golf course is set up. I'm just going to have to come out with a clear plan on which holes to attack, which holes to kind of be maybe a little more conservative. The idea is just to, you know, when you start coming back towards the clubhouse when you get to 15, you want to have a shot at it. And quite honestly, that's my goal. You know, on the homeward stretch, if I can give myself a look, I'm pretty sure I can get it done.