

RBC Canadian Open

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Bubba Watson

Quick Quotes

Q. Nice round out there, made it look easy. Was it?

BUBBA WATSON: No. It's always -- it's golf. In my head it was very difficult.

I had a couple, I would say, maybe two wayward shots, two mistakes that I can think of. Other than that, though, it was a good day, and you know, the one mistake on No. 1, my 10th hole of the day, I got up-and-down for par. So it worked out there.

Q. Compared to the last couple of years, pretty soft out there?

BUBBA WATSON: Yeah, the greens, we got rain. It rained pretty good in a short period of time. But that rain, no sun sticking out, made it a lot softer around the greens. The greens were firm yesterday and then today they were a bit more receptive.

Q. Is it fair game to be able to be aggressive like that in soft conditions and just go at the pins?

BUBBA WATSON: Well, I don't care if it's firm, I'm still going to be aggressive. A few years ago when Jason Day won and beat me by a shot I think, it was really firm that year. We played some good golf. So you can attack. Even though it's firm, you've just got to attack the right way.

I hit driver I think everywhere except the last hole, No. 9. Just trying to have short irons in here. The rough's not too high, so it's a little bit easier than British Open rough. So it was good.

Q. You had really good birdie looks 8 and 9. Could have been a really good round.

BUBBA WATSON: I thought it was a really good round no matter what, even if I had bogeyed them or not. You take that on the first round.

No. 8, it broke pretty well. And then that green is very difficult to read. If you looked at all three of our putts: Mine went a little this way, Matt's went a little that way, and then Graham had no idea because our putts went differently.

They are tricky greens, tricky pin placements on some of the holes, and No. 9 is one of those. But it broke a foot and a half on 8, so it was a tough putt trying to get the speed right and the break right and everything.

Q. The adjustment, coming over here from the



British Open, completely different weather, completely different style of golf, how does it suit you?

BUBBA WATSON: We're athletes, so it's pretty simple. Just golf. You know, this is back to American golf. I know we're in Canada, everybody, but I'm part Canadian since I married a Canadian.

It's no big deal. You play golf one way and then you play golf another way. You have firm conditions and you have soft conditions. So we are used to change on a quick note there.