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FRED COUPLES (-3)



FRED COUPLES: Yeah, it was a little better. I hit a few good shots and I made a few putts, but I mean, it wasn't like I could have been 6 under, but I probably could have been one better. I stood up on 17 and I tried -- to be honest, you don't ever want to hit it in the water, but I actually tried to cut it in the bank, pulled it and it drew and went in the water. And then I've never even driven it in the rough on the fourth hole, which is a hard hole, and today I toe-snapped it in that crap, made a nice bogey.

Q. Good par 5 from there.

FRED COUPLES: Yeah. And I three-putted another green, putted it eight feet by. But I made a few and it was fun. I mean, like I said, I love playing with Mike Weir and Jonathan Kaye, haven't seen him in 10 years. It was a good group.

Q. Made that birdie on 8, got to 4 under. That was kind of -- seemed like you got a nice roll going there.

FRED COUPLES: Yeah, and I hit a good putt. Maybe I backed off it, misread it a little by maybe playing a little more break and I hit it nice and soft. It was okay. Tomorrow hopefully -- you saw me, I chipped in here, that could have been a bogey, so it all evens out in the long run. Actually, for two days really the tee shot on No. 4 was crushing just because it was so bad. I don't mind making bogeys. I'm trying to birdie holes when you're way behind, but that was really a bad shot. Other than that, I got it around all right.

Q. Did the delay hurt you at all with your back?

FRED COUPLES: No, not a whole lot. I went to the car and they texted us and I went and hit more balls, so it wasn't a long delay and I was warm. We walked back and walked back and walked back, so it was okay.

Q. That shot wasn't that easy on 10 you hit.

FRED COUPLES: No, no. Actually, I thought here we go, I'm going -- it wasn't a good second shot and I'm going to end up starting with a bogey in this crap and holed it, so that doesn't happen very often.

Q. I was like, I hope he gets up and down here.

FRED COUPLES: It was a good shot. I didn't know how far it was going to go by, but curled in there and a blessing. But I need to play much better tomorrow.