

**KENNY PERRY:** I feel like I used to play, like I knew what I was doing out there. We'll see. It's one good round. I need to back it up with two more.

**Q. Did you see it coming, did you feel it coming in?**

**KENNY PERRY:** Let me tell you this: I've hit more balls in the past two weeks than I've hit in two years combined. I quit practicing, I quit working at it, and I got tired of playing bad so I kind of, I stepped up, started hitting a lot of balls and seeing if it would help. I still hit some pretty poor shots, but my stamina was better, I didn't run out of gas too fast. I kind of ran out of gas on about 16, but I hit a lot of really good quality shots the first 12 holes, just awesome, and then I kind of hung on from there. I hit some loose shots. I made some nice up-and-downs and some chips.

Put a 64-degree wedge in the bag this week and it saved me two shots, three shots today where I was short-sided and hit some unbelievable pitches, so that was good because I played a 64-degree wedge forever and I don't know why I ever took it out of the bag. I told my caddie I'm stupid. So when I was -- I had a chance to win the Masters all those years, '08 and '09, all of 2000s, always used a 64-degree wedge. So put that back in the bag, took my 5-wood out and we'll see. I mean, this is a learning process, this game. No matter how long you play it, it's always a rotating cycle and I just got to get with it. I've got to get back to work, see if I can make something happen.

**Q. What did you do on the eagle?**

**KENNY PERRY:** Hit a beautiful drive and a 3-wood right in the middle of the green, made a 20-footer. Good way to open up, start off.

**Q. So nothing physical, just your game --**

**KENNY PERRY:** Nothing physical. Just lazy, didn't want to do it. Was contemplating retirement because I took all last summer off. I didn't play one tournament last summer. I only played -- I think I ended up playing 20 events, but I played all early and late, played nothing in the middle. Took three months off.

**Q. Did something happen?**

**KENNY PERRY:** No.

**Q. No, something happen mentally that you came back?**

**KENNY PERRY:** No. More than anything, just my pride. I'm tired of playing bad. We'll

see. I'm going to work hard here a few weeks and see what I can make of it.

**Q. Kenny, your record here, I looked at it, it's not as stellar as you might have played at some other places. Just talk about this course and being able to play well today. What was the difference?**

**KENNY PERRY:** Well it was a tough northeast wind, 15-mile an hour. I mean, the golf course played hard but still the guys are shooting low. It's so funny. I'm anxious to here what Olazabal and Phillip Price and McGinley say after today after they see all these scores up there. That's what happened to me when I first came out here, the scores were like that. I was like, I'm going back to the PGA Tour, it's easier out there. So you've got to really, you've got to work out here. These guys, look at them, look at how the range is packed right now. Those guys are hungry, they're all grinding. So I've got to get back to work. The bottom line is I've just got to get to work.