

**ROUND 2 INTERVIEW: JOHN DALY**  
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**Q. You had those four birdies in the middle of the round. I watched you on 18, it looked like you said "finally." Were those the words?**

**JOHN DALY:** Pretty much. It was kind of like yesterday. I didn't hit it real close today, but the wind, the wind was a little tricky on the back nine. You just it is almost to the point where you just try to kill the greens on a couple of those holes. I was a little stretched for 8,9, 10, 11, just bad execution, bad chips, bad putts. I actually thought I had a good shot on 9. I hit a 9iron and it went over the back and you're dead. But all in all I hung in there. I mean, I had some opportunities.

**Q. I know before the tournament started you told me your expectations weren't high, this was all about getting back in the competitive grind of everything. Do you feel like you are sort of easing your way in?**

**JOHN DALY:** I'm trying to. I just have to get some confidence with the putter. That's the thing. My chipping wasn't very good today, but, you know, I'm under par and I think seven is leading, you never know what can happen tomorrow. Maybe try to get maybe a little more aggressive with the driver, hit it a little bit more, get some more wedges in the holes and give myself a chance.

**Q. Now that you are two rounds in, how does it feel back out here?**

**JOHN DALY:** Oh, it's great. It's just wonderful. You know, it is a little slower today. I think that was because some of the pin placements were really, really tough today, but it's just great. You know, there is only 81 guys playing, you just come out and play golf. All the guys are great.

**Q. You look like you're having a good time. I appreciate it.**

**JOHN DALY:** Thanks, Stacy. You got it.

**Q. Were you kind of maybe expecting, you know, that you could have a rough day? I mean, yesterday was kind of, was about the best that you could, you know, look at. But were you kind of expecting that maybe today wouldn't be as great?**

**JOHN DALY:** Not really. I knew, I mean it would be a little more quieter. Kevin and Esteban are great guys, but they are not ones they are totally different than Peter and Fuzzy. Everybody is. But they are great guys. I enjoyed playing with them. It's just

more of a I don't know, we all three got off to a great start. Kevin played really, really well. I didn't feed off him as much as I wish I would have. Everything was going good, you know, 8, I hit a good bunker shot, it bounced and I made bogey, no big deal, but 9, 159 yards, I hit a 9iron, thought it was perfect over the back, no chance of getting it up and down. And then 10, missed a 5footer. 11, I couldn't get it up and down, short sided myself again, and when you do that, it's tough to get a rhythm going, but I hung in there and had a chance to 13, 3putted for par and hit a great, great shot on 14, just left the putt short, 2putted 15, and that was a nice little putt, the longest putt I made so far on the Champions Tour.

**Q. How long was it?**

**JOHN DALY:** Probably 25, 30 feet, I guess.

**Q. Were you doing anything differently with your putter, or are you just keep putting along?**

**JOHN DALY:** I'm going back in the bin to get my other, Scotty Cameron 8802. This one is a little lighter and the greens are quick. I feel like my stroke is getting a little long. It might be decelerating. So I have one that's a lot heavier that might shorten my stroke, maybe I can hit my putts a little more on line tomorrow, I hope.

**Q. You said that's a Scotty?**

**JOHN DALY:** Scotty Cameron, yes.

**Q. You played with an 8802 today?**

**JOHN DALY:** Yes. It's a Cameron young Scotty built for me. It is a little lighter than my, the one I putted with about three years. So I'm going to try that old one out tomorrow.

**Q. Same model, just a different one?**

**JOHN DALY:** Exact same model, yes. It's a different metal. It's a softer metal.

**Q. You mentioned you might be a little more aggressive tomorrow. Do you think you might hit more drivers and try to give yourself shorter shots to the green?**

**JOHN DALY:** Maybe. I mean, you know, there's not a lot of holes to do it, maybe 3. 3 might be a good one; 12 is a good one. Yes, 12 is a good one. You know, 6 or 7 is just you can't even go for the green in two. It won't hold the shot, so I just hit a 1iron there, but I might hit a driver on 5. It won't be a lot, but there will be some that definitely, that if it favors like three is a great hole to give it a go, because it's a lefttoright hole and that's what kind of what I hit, my driver.

**Q. Do you feed off the support from the fans? Do you like that, that they are supporting you, following you?**

**JOHN DALY:** Oh, yes. The fans have been great. It's been a wonderful week. It's been a long one. I mean, you know, four ProAms. But I wanted to make sure, I wanted to do it right, I wanted to do everything I could for the tournament. Like I say, the Insperity, of all the years I ever played in the tournament the Insperity is one of the best courses I've ever seen in my life. Their customers are happy, they love playing with the pros, and so hopefully they have a lot of fun.

**Q. It sound like it is going to be an early night tonight?**

**JOHN DALY:** It is. I'm going to cook out and then I'm going to bed.

**Q. Thanks, John.**