

BRADFORD TILLEY (66 - 72 — 138)

On his game heading into match play: Reset for tomorrow. I love the way I'm playing. I played an incredible round yesterday. I was not on top of it as much today, didn't really strike it quite as well. I also played a little bit differently today. The pins were tucked, I knew the scores were higher here. I tried to keep it in front of me. Not take too many risks. I took one early on my first bogey. From there on, I tried to play steady, leave myself to the fat parts of the greens and make pars. I was happy to get that done.

On playing the two courses: They are very different. Let's start with how they are similar. Both Donald Ross, the greens are very similar in the shapes and the slopes. But the rough is a little bit deeper here (Carolina Golf Club). They definitely tucked the pins a lot closer to the edges. I think being a shorter course, they wanted to make sure they gave it some tougher pins, thinking we would have some shorter shots in. The greens are really firming up. You have to play for it to bounce forward. You can always get that bounce forward, but if you land it pin high, you can skip it off the back of the green and then you are kind of buried in the rough. It's kind of tough to get it close to the holes and tough to make birdies.

On confidence taken from last year's Championship: It's huge. To win any match in a USGA event is great. To put a bunch in a row last year and make a nice run pretty deep into the championship is definitely something that gave me a ton of confidence. Also being medalist last year. I feel good. I love match play. I'm really looking forward to building on my past experience and past success and hopefully have a nice run again.