

U.S. Senior Amateur

Saturday, Aug. 26, 2023
Martis Camp Club
Truckee, Calif.

Todd White,
Spartanburg, S.C.
Even-par 72 (first round, stroke play)



Q. How good a score was even par today?

White: "It's a tough golf course. If you don't find the fairway, you've got a chance to make some numbers. I managed to keep the ball in play. First hole of the day, No. 10, a par 5, I'm right there in front of the green and I make 6. Tight lie, cold hands, not a good combination. I'm happy with the start. It was pretty solid. Obviously, you always feel like you left shots out there."

Q. Obviously the No. 1 goal the first two days is just qualify for match play?

White: "I'm not sure which basketball coach said this, but it's just like March Madness, it's just survive and advance. That's basically what you are looking at all week."

Q. Any shots that stand out from the round?

White: "I drove it into a fairway bunker on my last hole of the day, No. 9. I was up against one of the [Tom] Fazio lips and couldn't get there. And I made a 9-footer for par. That was big. You work hard all day and you get to the last hole and you don't want to see something slip. That was big. It makes lunch taste a lot better."

Q. Any different strategy playing in the afternoon on Sunday?

White: "I think there will be a little more wind. I know I played a practice round late [on Thursday] and the wind was up. I know the ball travels a little bit farther in the afternoon. The golf course is wonderful. I mean it really is."