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**The Westin Innisbrook Golf Resort**  
**Copperhead Course**  
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**Second-round quotes**

**AN INTERVIEW WITH BO VAN PELT**

CHRIS REIMER: Bo Van Pelt, welcome, solid bogey-free round out there especially from the afternoon conditions; made 10 out of your last 11 cuts. Now what's been the key during the home stretch?

BO VAN PELT: You know, just kind of hitting it solid, you know, putted the ball a little bit better. Just try not to make too many mistakes.

I think sometimes I get a little greedy, and I will shoot at a flag I don't need to and make a bogey from the middle of the fairway. So I have been trying to eliminate, kind of the silly errors, so that's kind of helped me out the last couple of months.

CHRIS REIMER: It's a good approach on this course as well.

BO VAN PELT: Yes. I knew coming into this week it will be a lot different than Disney. Disney was kind of a birdie fest, got off to a slow start yesterday and just tried to, you know, not press. Because this golf course, if you press on it, you're going to make a bunch of bogeys and get the weekend off. So definitely the approach is this week for sure.

CHRIS REIMER: Questions?

Q. A big thing now for you to try to get a win? I know every week you stand up there and want to do that?

BO VAN PELT: Yes, I mean I think that's probably the next hurdle that I need to get over it, if you want to call it that. You know, my attitude, when I was on the Nationwide, is kind of the same it is now. I try to give myself as many chances as I can. I figure if you're up there enough times one of those Sundays is going to be your week.

I just look at it as kind of a learning process and every time I get up close to the lead I learn something. You know winning is kind of a funny thing. Guys who are veterans out here will tell you they might have had a year where they had a win or two wins and didn't play as well as a year when they didn't.

I try to get better every year. Every part of my game is kind of my attitude. I figure the winning will take care of itself.

Q. Just no bogeys today, when the wind picked up, that was a pretty good round of golf?

BO VAN PELT: Yes, I was real pleased. That was one of the better rounds of golf I played this year from the standpoint I was hitting it in the right spot. I think I missed two fairways and one green. And I was just real happy with that my ball striking.

I didn't hit it very well the first 10 holes yesterday and just tried to shorten up my swing a little bit; that's kind of my Achilles heel, when I get long -- since I was a little kid, is when I usually struggle. It just kind of clicked yesterday a little bit. It started on No. 12. I hit a good shot off the tee and a good iron shot and made a birdie and just kind of carried the same swing thought to today and so far it's still been working.

Q. Any close calls today with bogey?

BO VAN PELT: Not really. The one green I missed, 18, I chipped it up there about four feet and made it. I think I made two 4-footers and other than that they were pretty much tap-ins.

Q. You are about eight shots under the stroke average today, does it feel that good?

BO VAN PELT: You know I knew it was a good round. You could tell, you know, the scores were going to be high. It's a tough golf course.

You know, when I made the turn, the wind started picking up, and it was getting cloudy. You know, it's the old cliché, one shot at a time. That was really what I was trying to do. Not trying to layoff, you know, not being happy that I was 3-under.

I hit some good tee balls and had chances on one and five to make some birdies and, you know, I needed to just go ahead and take advantage of that.

Q. I was going to ask you a minute ago, when you talk about you wanted to give yourself a lot of chances, what do you consider as you look back on the last couple of years, and even you know this week, whatever, what do you consider yourself a chance, is it Sunday, is it back 9 Sunday?

BO VAN PELT: I think Sunday. Just starting out Sunday if you have a good round, you have a chance to win.

You know, just that feeling on Sunday when you feel you know, what, I got a chance to do this.

And I figure, you know, every time I've been in that situation I've learned something. You know, the one time I won on the Nationwide, I would say that there were other weeks that I played better, but the one time, you know -- I tell people all the time, you know you're going to miss a shot every day, or a couple, even on a good day. Some days you get away with it and make par or birdie. And some days you make triple.

I think some Sundays I've had some chances and played pretty well but the times I missed a shot I made a bogey or double. So I just try to play solid and give myself a chance.

Q. Is that your fault or is that just golf, when you miss a shot and make bogey instead of par or birdie?

BO VAN PELT: It's both. That's the great thing about golf. You really can't blame anybody. The thing I've always loved about it. It's not like a guy is running a bad route and I through it to the cornerback. You know, my hands are the only ones on the club.

So I can't really yell at a guy for not blocking for me. So obviously it's my fault. That's just golf in general, especially I think tournament golf.

You know, I tell people all the time, they see you shoot 73 one day and 68 the next, they're like, man what was the difference? Well, you probably played about the same, but those two or three shots, instead of making bogey, you made par or birdie and there is your five shots in a day right there.

Q. I also wanted to ask you, somewhat out of curiosity, what do you do, and you've probably been in this spot, yourself in the years you've been playing, when you come off in a terrific round and a guy like Matt Gogel is just dying to make the cut, given a spot on the Money List and 3 putts, what's the exchange like there?

BO VAN PELT: I think all of us understand where guys like Matt, because we've all been there, every guy who is playing in this tournament has had stretches where he is dying to make a cut. So I think we can all understand, and we are all going to be there again.

I started out, I missed the first four cuts this year, I didn't think I could break an egg.

So, you know, you know that a guy like Matt is going to come back or whoever. I just think you say, hey, nice playing with you, enjoyed the company, go get them next week.

Q. And let it go at that?

BO VAN PELT: Yes, let it go at that.

(Scorecard.)

CHRIS REIMER: Anything you will focus on going into the weekend?

BO VAN PELT: Yes, I'm just going to hit some balls and make sure my swing stays short. That was kind of my key. You know, my putting, I have just been trying to -- it's a term I started using a couple years ago, try less. Sometimes you are trying too hard to get the ball to go in and force it there. So I have just been trying to try less, so we'll see what happens.

CHRIS REIMER: Anything else, guys? Thank you.

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