

**Viking Classic
Annandale Country Club
Madison, MS**

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Tournament quotes:

INTERVIEW OF HUNTER HAAS

Q. How did you play today, obviously you had a pretty good round?

HUNTER HAAS: Craig Barlow, he brought me home, if it wasn't for him. Honestly I played really well. I don't think I made any mistakes. I hit 18 greens, missed a few fairways. That's what happens. Honestly I hit everything great.

Q. Talk about the playing conditions, is the course kind of fine for the picking at this point, playing so soft?

HUNTER HAAS: It's still playing a little longer than it normally would. As far as approaches into the green, it's very easy to control the ball to be committed to the greens for that matter. Overall it's a little easier.

Q. 18 greens, what are you finding so easy about the course today?

HUNTER HAAS: Well, if you are hitting it well you can plot around and control it. The greens are so good here, it's just a matter of getting in position and get the putter rolling.

Q. How frustrating was yesterday, start and stopping and starting and stopping?

HUNTER HAAS: I never really started til 6 o'clock. Actually we were the second group off. I ended up getting three holes in. It's just part of this game we play and deal with the variables. You just got to be prepared mentally to go back out and try it again and try it again and try it again.

Q. How about mentally, how much do you have to prepare mentally?

HUNTER HAAS: Mentally you just go through the same routine. When you come in, you're not for sure what's going on. Nobody knows if you are going to be in there for five minutes, five hours, you don't know. And with this weather that we've been having here in this area it's really unpredictable what's going to happen. We might be in for that same stuff today.

Q. Hunter, can you talk a little bit about that birdie on 18 and does it give you momentum going into the afternoon?

HUNTER HAAS: My last hole?

Q. Yes.

HUNTER HAAS: Honestly we got put on the clock on six. I birdied the last four on the clock. Maybe I'll get put on the clock starting the third round but, you know, I hit two good shots coming in and the last, the last birdie on eight and nine I hit conservative plays. And I made two long putts. But you know it's nice to be where I am. I'm happy. I'm delighted to see if I can keep it up the next two rounds.

Q. Thank you.

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