

U.S. Amateur Championship

Quick Quotes

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Ben Griffin

Q. What was the reason? Were you hitting it close?

BEN GRIFFIN: Yeah, I hit it close a few times. Really drove the ball pretty well, was able to put myself in position to make a lot of good swings into the green and give myself some chances at birdies and capitalized on most of them, missed a few putts. Even though I shot 66, but it was overall a really good round.

Q. What do you think about the difference between the two? Does the North fit your game more because it's not as testing of a game?

BEN GRIFFIN: Yeah.

Q. And the greens are smaller, the complexes -- you see the difference in the complexes.

BEN GRIFFIN: Yeah, North Course you can definitely get a low score on. You've got a lot more wedges and a lot more short irons. South Course you see a lot more long irons, so it's definitely a better test, the South Course, so tomorrow I just need to keep driving it well and hit the mid to long irons pretty close. I think it probably plays two shots harder, the South Course, but still, I'd say they were both the same condition.

Q. Do you get a phone call or a text from somebody and they say what did you do today, and you say, I shot 66 at the U.S. Amateur, that's still got to be a good thing?

BEN GRIFFIN: That's not a bad thing. I don't mind it. That's for sure.

Q. How many of these have you played in?

BEN GRIFFIN: This is my second U.S. Am, but I played the Pub Links when I was 16, so had a few USGA experiences.

Q. Do you like the way the courses are set up at USGAs?

BEN GRIFFIN: Yeah, I do for sure. I think the greens are a little softer than at a usual USGA event, but that allows for closer shots and lower scores, so I had a lot of fun today.

Q. But you get a good score on a course that you said plays two shots harder than the other one, which may not have as much hard work to do when



you play the South tomorrow?

BEN GRIFFIN: Well, I think North is two shots easier. Yeah, if I can post anything around even or a few under is going to make up a lot of ground on the South Course, so hopefully I can just keep playing and just keep shooting after pins.