

# U.S. Senior Open

Flash Interview

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## Gary Hallberg



GARY HALLBERG: Get steady, be calm, let it come to you. And I hit a 52 degree from 116 yards, and I aimed about five yards left, little left to right wind, and it hit and rolled. It was online, and next thing you know, it disappeared. Incredible.

I didn't want to get too excited because it was the first hole, and I had a lot of golf left. So I tried to be calm about it, but that was fantastic to make an eagle on the 1st hole.

**Q. 52-degree wedge. What kind of wedge was it?**

GARY HALLBERG: It was a gap wedge, 52. A Hopkins wedge, and it was just right.

**Q. How difficult were the conditions this afternoon with the heat on you like that? How maybe did it change the way that you attacked the course?**

GARY HALLBERG: It's really hard. The swirling winds, the rough. You had to get it straight. Yeah, it's just tough. Jeez, I'm too old for this. You know, I want to start smoothing things out as I get older. I feel like I'm finished, like I'm a bricklayer, and I just did 12 hours laying brick, concrete.

You know, I exaggerate, but, yeah, it was tiring, you know, very tiring. I drank a lot of water. I'm really hungry right now, didn't eat enough. As you can see, I'm kind of skinny as it is. But it was quite a test, quite a test.