

**2022 North & South Men's Amateur
Pinehurst Country Club No. 2 & No. 4
Pinehurst, NC**

Day 1

Weather: Primo

Tee time: 7:30

Round up

Beginning to sound a bit like a broken record but I did not score like I played today, I actually played quite nicely, again been struggling with my ball striking coming into the round but I know that I'm usually going to work something out on the way around, I made a couple of poor swings early on the front 9 with my irons which cost me 2 bogeys, that accompanied with a 3 putt from 15 ft and a bogey from 100m in the fairway hurt me and turned -3 into +1. I need to tidy up these loose swings and then put some extra work into my chipping and putting to try and keep the momentum up during my rounds.

The numbers:

71 - +1

5 birdies, 6 bogeys, 7 pars

Strokes gained -

Driving +.46 (6/14 fairways)

Approach +3.02 (11/18 greens)

Around the green -1.36 (3/7)

Putting -1.7 (30)

Going forward:

I need to shoot -2 tomorrow to get through to the matchplay, just need a solid round of golf.

Day 2

Weather: Primo

Tee time: 9:40

Round up

Played solid again today, just made a stupid double early on the second. Didn't make anything through the mid portion of the round and then 1 bad swing on a tough par 3 cost me another double which was too much to come back from at that stage, finished with a couple birdies on 16 and 17 but I wasn't any chance of making the matchplay at that stage. Obviously, the statistics are showing that my short game needs some work, so that's what will be happening over the coming days, I get to practice at Pinehurst over the next few days before the next event next week.

The numbers:

73 - +3

3 birdies 2 bogeys 2 double bogeys 11 pars

Strokes gained-

Driving +1.55 (7/14 fairways)

Approach +.68 (13/18 greens)

Around Green - -.88 (1 out of 5)

Putting - -3.08 (34)

Full Tournament wrap -

That's not the golf I want to be playing but I'm excited to get to work on my short game and getting it to a point where I don't have to just hit the ball well to play well.

Next week I'm flying up to Denver, Colorado for the Trans-Mississippi Amateur Championship.