

ROUND 1 QUICK QUOTES
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JOHN SENDEN (-6)

Q. How did it feel out there today?

JOHN SENDEN: Not bad. I actually got few putts to roll in today so I was pretty happy with that. Perfect conditions out there with the golf course and a little bit softer. Ball in preferred lie helped today, too. I think there's a lot of good scores out there today, so I was really happy with my start, 6 under, and probably the lowest score I shot for a long time.

Q. And how many years have you been at this tournament specifically, do you know?

JOHN SENDEN: This is my sixth year now, this is my fifth year on the tour. Yeah, I really enjoy Wakonda Golf Club, it's a nice play to play golf.

Q. What do you think of Des Moines?

JOHN SENDEN: We're staying out in West Des Moines actually, so we've always -- I don't really get up to too much. West Des Moines is quite a new area so we're enjoying that. We're staying over there at the Rewind, finding some nice restaurants and having a look around town a little bit. It's a good place, I like it.

Q. Picked up steam going down the stretch there. What was going right for you?

JOHN SENDEN: Yeah, I just tried to stay -- I've been working really hard on my processes lately and I haven't been playing well overall since the beginning of the year. It's always good to get off to a good start. Just try to keep stay in the lane really, staying focused on what I'm trying to achieve. Today was a good day for that.

Q. How's it feel to post the low score early and finish while everybody's still out on the course, set you up for the weekend?

JOHN SENDEN: Exactly, yeah. Like I haven't shot a low score at the beginning for a long time, so I felt good about going out today and staying really focused on what I was trying to do with my processes out there today. I actually was much more calm on the golf course and I really felt like I putted quite well today. That really stood me in good stead to keep momentum.

