

## ***Oak Hill Country Club ~ Rochester, NY***

Hole #	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Out	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	<b>Out</b>	<b>Total</b>		<b>Yardage</b>
452	401	214	570	428	170	461	428	418	<b>3,542</b>	429	188
372	598	323	181	439	460	469	<b>3,459</b>	<b>7,001</b>		<b>Par</b>	4
4	3	5	4	3	4	4	4	<b>35</b>	4	3	4
5	4	3	4	4	4	<b>35</b>	<b>70</b>		<b>Score</b>		

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### **TOM WATSON LONNIE NIELSEN**

TOM WATSON

**Q. Talk about your round. You're 1-under today, so obviously it was a little bit better than yesterday.**

TOM WATSON: Oh, any time you shoot under 70 on this golf course, it's, you have to be very happy about the way you scored. I scored very well today. I shot, got it up-and-down the last two holes. Made 10-footers for pars on 17 and 18 after not a good approach shot at 17 and not a good drive at 18.

But I made a couple birdies on the front nine on the par-3s and I just kind of hung in there. And I made some good putts and scrambled on 8, 9, and 17 and 18 for all for pars. And so I was happy about the way I scored today good day to score.

**Q. You have lot of experience out here, so was yesterday kind of unusual?**

TOM WATSON: It was not unusual when you hit the ball in the rough as many times as I did. You could get penalized when you hit the ball in the rough and you just can't play. I made three double bogeys and that -- that will run your score up pretty quick.

**Q. What made today different other than the weather?**

TOM WATSON: I kept the ball in play off the tee. I hit the ball in the rough three or four times today. Yesterday I probably hit it nine times in there. So that's the difference.

**Q. When you look at the leaderboard do you think this round putts you back in contention?**

TOM WATSON: Sure, it does. Yeah. This golf course, over par is going to win this golf tournament. And so it's just a matter of time.

**Q. Did you have a number in mind? Did you have a target or did you just kind of hope for it?**

TOM WATSON: I said to myself last night I said if I shoot three rounds under 70 I would have a pretty good chance to win the golf tournament. I got one round out of the way.

**Q. I know that there was some concern earlier in the week that this pro-am was playing too long for the weather that we were having.**

TOM WATSON: Well, they had the tees up from where they played the pro-am tees, yeah, that's for sure. There are three or four tees that are up some.

But we're senior golfers out here, we're not the kids. I don't know what they're trying to prove in the pro-am setting the tees that far back, but basically we got to see the full golf course though.

LONNIE NIELSEN

**Q. I understand even par today, which was a little bit better than yesterday, so you must have felt a lot better out there.**

LONNIE NIELSEN: Yesterday was a nightmare. I got off to a rough start and just kept hitting it in the rough and made a mess of the par-3s, I played them the 6-over. So it was just nothing good was happening yesterday. I putted poorly, drove the ball poorly, and when you do that you just can't play this course.

Today I hit a few more 3-woods, my rhythm was better, I had a nice shot shape today. Everything was back to my usual fade. Yesterday I was hitting a few hooks from out of nowhere. And I hit a lot of good shots especially coming down the stretch there when I needed them.

**Q. How much do you attribute it to the weather yesterday or you just didn't have the feel.**

LONNIE NIELSEN: A little bit was the weather. I had two or three shots that where the wind just gusted at the wrong time and I ended up with plugged balls in bunkers, which led to a double and a triple. So a little gust here and a little gust there.

Today it was starting to do that as we were coming down the stretch and I just happened to time it in between the gusts today. So it worked out.

**Q. So you're able to take away something positive from the couple days?**

LONNIE NIELSEN: Yeah. I'm still hoping 11-over might have a chance at making the cut. It looked like that it was going to go to 11 or 12. So keep my fingers crossed. I need maybe a little bit of wind this afternoon so the scores will go up and let me slip in.

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