

ROUND 1 QUICK QUOTES
July 23, 2026

GARY WOODLAND (-7)



Q. Gary you had a great putt on 12 there, nice long putt. What were you seeing on that one?

GARY WOODLAND: Yeah, I was a little frustrated with the wedge shot in there. I rolled it nice today. I saw a couple go in early so that just gives you a lot of confidence. From there -- was aggressive there up and over that hill. It's one, you're 35 feet, you're trying to get it up there close and it was a bonus that it went in. Like I said, anytime you make one early I think for me kind of frees me up and gave me a little confidence. That one definitely freed it up because after that I made a lot more putts as well.

Q. You've been a regular here every single year. What do you enjoy most about playing at 3M Open?

GARY WOODLAND: I enjoy the golf course, I enjoy the town. 3M treats us so well, they really do. From the families, from dining all the way through, 3M takes really good care of us. It's nice, pretty close for me from home, only six hours away from me driving from home so it's nice to be close, have some friends and family come up here and have a good time.

Q. Gary, does a round like this feel different than it would have been maybe 10 years ago?

GARY WOODLAND: Well, I don't know if it feels different. I appreciate it a lot more. Anytime you can go bogey free is a good thing on any golf course, but to shoot 7 under today, to get off to a good start is nice. Yeah, I definitely have a lot more appreciation for good days and I understand bad days a lot more too.

