

# RBC Canadian Open

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Caledon, Ontario, Canada

TPC Toronto at Osprey Valley (North Course)

## Rory McIlroy

### Quick Quotes

**Q. Rory, heading into next week, does today concern you, or do you just wipe the slate clean and you're fine?**

RORY McILROY: Yeah, of course it concerns me. You don't want to shoot high scores like the one I did today. Still I felt like I came here obviously with a new driver thinking that that sort of was going to be good and solve some of the problems off the tee, but it didn't.

Obviously going to Oakmont next week, what you need to do more than anything else there is hit fairways. Still sort of searching for the sort of missing piece off the tee. Obviously for me, when I get that part of the game clicking, then everything falls into place for me. Right now that isn't. Yeah, that's a concern going into next week.

**Q. After that kind of score, what are you doing right after your round or in the next few hours? There's a word in hockey that after a bad game coaches are throwing it in the garbage. What are you doing on your side?**

RORY McILROY: I think there's still learnings that you have to take from a day like today. I still -- look, even though the last two days didn't go the way I wanted them to, there's still things that I can take from it, and there's still things that I can learn.

Yeah, I'm going to have to do a lot of practice and a lot of work over the weekend at home and try to at least have a better idea of where my game is going into next week.

**Q. On the course from your perspective what has changed since yesterday on the course?**

RORY McILROY: I didn't -- like in terms of my game? I didn't hit enough fairways. I felt like I drove the ball better yesterday than I did today. I think, once I made that big number on the front nine, I was always behind the 8 ball a little bit. After nine holes, I sort of resigned myself to the fact that I'd be flying home to Florida tonight.



Yeah, it was just about trying to think about -- trying to make a few good swings, seeing where the misses were. You're trying to sort of learn as much as I could just looking ahead to next week.

**Q. Just going forward with the equipment, are you going to go back to the drawing board, do you think, before Oakmont or try to continue working on -- working with the equipment you have right now?**

RORY McILROY: I went -- so I went back to a 44-inch driver this week to try to get something that was a little more in control and could try to get something a bit more in play. But if I'm going to miss fairways, I'd rather have the ball speed and miss the fairway than not.

I was saying to Harry going down the last this is the second time this year I've tried the new version, and it hasn't quite worked out for me. So I'd say I'll be testing quite a few drivers over the weekend.

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