

ROUND 1: BRIAN CLAAR
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Q. So, for starters, can you just tell us what went into today's decision to decide that the courses weren't playable?

BRIAN CLAAR: Yes. We got up this morning and we saw the rain, the lightning. Buffalo Ridge was already saturated from the rain Saturday, Sunday and Monday, and this, another inch, puddles everywhere, the course is unplayable and the heavy stuff is yet to come. So we made a decision early that we knew we weren't going to be able to play, so we decided to cancel today's round.

Q. So you had an inch already, and how many are you expecting later?

BRIAN CLAAR: Another one to two inches it looks like. We aren't showing the rain diminishing until 2:00, 3:00 in the morning, so we'll see what we get.

Q. And what does that mean for potentially the rest of the weekend tomorrow? Will it be dry enough to play on these courses?

BRIAN CLAAR: We think Top of the Rock will be. Par-3 course, we don't have to worry about fairways, just tees and greens. Buffalo Ridge is another story. We'll have to wait and see what this afternoon wave does to us.

Q. And when you start thinking about changing around plans of a three-round tournament, what are you guys looking for tomorrow if everything goes according to plan?

BRIAN CLAAR: We have a couple options. Whether we play over there and the Legends play here, or we all play over here, we'll just have to wait and see how Buffalo Ridge holds up to this next wave of rain. We will play 36 holes, I'm convinced, one way or the other.

Q. And the Legends are just going to do one round tomorrow?

BRIAN CLAAR: That's in the plans. We'll wait and see what this next round of rain does, but we will see them play, yes.

Q. Is there a potential of maybe pushing the tournament back to maybe play a round on Monday?

BRIAN CLAAR: That's not in the plans. Unfortunately, that's not in the plans. We should have a 36-hole winner Sunday afternoon.

Q. All right. And when do you guys make an accurate assessment of tomorrow's

plans, what time will you guys have to decide all that?

BRIAN CLaar: Probably 4:00, 5:00 tonight. We'll wait and see this next round, and we'll go over to Buffalo Ridge and see how it held up and then we'll make our best educated guess from there.

Q. When you say the course isn't playable, give me specifics, what's unplayable about it?

BRIAN CLaar: The fairways are holding so much water that we can't play. Even if we play lift, clean and place where you can move the ball a club length, if we can't get them in a spot where they're not in water, it's not payable. So we'll just have to see what this storm does.

Q. And that's why Buffalo is probably the more question mark, because of their long fairways?

BRIAN CLaar: Correct, yeah. It's just wet from Sunday, and it's in great shape, best it's ever been, but if it's not playable under the Rules of Golf, unfortunately we have to probably play all our golf here.