BERNHARD LANGER (-11)



Q. What did you think of your round out there today?

BERNHARD LANGER: Got off to a very good start birdieing the first two and kept playing very solid, just never made a putt, or very few. Made one or two early on and that was it and that was the difference between yesterday and today.

Q. You're going to be playing with your old team partner there tomorrow?

BERNHARD LANGER: Maybe, maybe not. Depends who they pair together. Usually last in, first out, so we'll see, but that would be fun.

Q. Despite some of those, I guess, struggles with the putter, do you feel fortunate that you're only down two?

BERNHARD LANGER: No, I don't feel fortunate. I would rather be two ahead, and I could be two ahead but it's the way it is so we'll take it and hopefully have a good round tomorrow.

Q. You got an unlucky break on 6, you were trying to draw a shot and you caught that little branch there and you were in no-man's land there, right, for that third shot?

BERNHARD LANGER: Yeah, third shot was very hard, but if it hadn't caught that branch I think it would have been up by the green. Anyways, that's what happens when you hit it offline here.

Q. How did this course change from round 1 to round 2?

BERNHARD LANGER: It's a little more bouncy now, the ball starts to run a little bit, which makes it a little harder hitting fairways, but it's the same for everybody.

Q. Do you feel like you kind of missed an opportunity on 5 after the tough bunker shot trickling back down but you still managed to save par?

BERNHARD LANGER: Yeah, that was disappointing. I hit two pretty good shots, a good tee shot and good second shot, and that bunker shot was very poor. If we put me in there out of 10 times, I think I get it up and down five times. Yeah, that was very disappointing.

Q. Was it playing much more firm and fast than yesterday?

BERNHARD LANGER: Not much but somewhat, yeah, hum hmm.

Q. So do you go back to the range now and work on some things, or the putting green and work on some things here?

BERNHARD LANGER: Work on everything, yep, exactly.

Q. You've got a lot of wins but what's it going to take to break through here in Des Moines tomorrow, what do you have to do tomorrow?

BERNHARD LANGER: Shoot low.

Q. Anything in particular?

BERNHARD LANGER: Play perfect golf, hit good tee shots, good iron shots, make some putts. That's what you need to do, otherwise you're not going to win.

Q. What's the feeling overnight when you're in the mix going into Sunday?

BERNHARD LANGER: It feels good. It's what we practice for, it's what we're out here for and I'm excited about tomorrow. Just got to stop making bogeys and make a ton of birdies.

Q. Would it mean a little something special to win here after your struggles earlier to show you learned how to adapt, learned how to play the course?

BERNHARD LANGER: Yeah, it's always fun to win, period, but it's great to win on a golf course that you struggled with for a while. It would be very satisfying.

Q. I have to ask you about this community. You've played here a lot. What is it about this course and this community you like coming back for?

BERNHARD LANGER: Well, the community is really embracing the tournament. It's great they come out in super numbers and they really know the golf, they love coming out and cheering us on and enjoying what there is, the amenities of this golf course and the tournament. It's great to see lots of kids, it's fun. We appreciate everybody embracing this and it's all for good cause, it's all for charity.