

ROUND 1 INTERVIEW
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BERNHARD LANGER (-10)

Q. Shoot 62 and there are two more just like it. Just talk about the playability of the course today.

BERNHARD LANGER: Course was in phenomenal shape considering the rain we had yesterday. I had some pictures from 13 and 14 fairway, the creek down there, it looked like -- I didn't think we were going to play on time today. Called up early around 9:15 when I left the hotel and they said, "Yeah, right now it looks like we're going to go on time at 11:00." So I was surprised to hear that.

And playing, it was really good. It was obviously mud balls, that's why we played preferred lies on the fairways, but the greens were great and the whole course presented itself pretty special.

Q. You played well here before, so this is a course that you feel comfortable on obviously?

BERNHARD LANGER: Yeah, you know, I always say when you play well, when you hit it where you're looking and you make the putts, you can play well anywhere or pretty much anywhere. But it's certainly a place I enjoy coming back to. The people are very hospitable here, the tournament director is fantastic, the clubhouse people with the food and the bag storage and everything, pro shop people, everybody is just doing backflips for us to have what we need and it shows. It's a wonderful golf course to play, especially in this fall weather.

Q. How many birdies were tap-ins and how many were --

BERNHARD LANGER: I'm not sure. There were not too many tap-ins, but short range where you hope to or expect to make them. I'm not sure there were too many tap-ins at all, you know, within a few inches. They were all somewhere between four and 20 feet, I guess. It was pretty amazing to go 9 under on the last 10 holes, I don't think I've ever done that.

Q. People always look at you and they go, he's ageless, he just never seems to age. I'm sure to you you're not ageless, that you have to work at it pretty hard?

BERNHARD LANGER: Of course, yeah. We all age and it shows. Things are hurting and aching that didn't hurt 10 or 20 years ago, but that's life and you just make the best of it. The good thing is the golf ball doesn't know how old I am.

Q. You just said you went 9 -- first time ever, 9 under over 10 holes. Any 10-hole

stretch or just the last 10?

BERNHARD LANGER: Just the last 10 today. I birdied 9 and then I birdied 8, nine more. Sorry, eight more.

Q. Is that the first time you've done 9 under over any 10-hole stretch?

BERNHARD LANGER: I would think so. Not 100 percent, but I would think so.

Q. But on any tour?

BERNHARD LANGER: I believe so, yeah. I mean, I've had a 12 under once, but not -- I don't think it was 9 under for 10 holes. It was sort of stretched out.

Q. So to wait 61 years for a new first, that's amazing.

BERNHARD LANGER: Yep. You never know what's around the corner in this game.

Q. You had a son go to the University of North Carolina, right?

BERNHARD LANGER: Yes, sir.

Q. What's his name?

BERNHARD LANGER: Stefan.

Q. He graduated when?

BERNHARD LANGER: About five years ago, something like that.

Q. Does he play golf?

BERNHARD LANGER: They all play golf, but he's working in New York. He's not playing a lot of golf, but they enjoy it when they play.

Q. There was a little one running after you about five years ago?

BERNHARD LANGER: Yeah, he's not a little one anymore. He's in college now. He went to Penn.