ROUND 2 INTERVIEW September 1, 2018

BERNHARD LANGER (-6)



Q. How did you play?

BERNHARD LANGER: Well, I played really good today, really played great. Could have shot 8 or 10 under, just didn't make any putts. But the course was tough early. It was cold and windy, blowing 12, 15 mile an hour wind out of the north, which is pretty cold. But then it warmed up about halfway round and now it's perfect golfing weather.

Q. What do you think about where you stand now, in at 6 but obviously still lots to go here on the back nine?

BERNHARD LANGER: Yeah, I don't know what the leaders will do, but I suppose they will go a few under on the back side. I'll just have to go really low tomorrow, hopefully make more putts than I did today.

Q. Miguel also eagled 11 yesterday and you got that today. What was key about that hole that was making it successful for you both?

BERNHARD LANGER: Well, he hit it like this yesterday to about three feet or whatever. Played different today. I think he hit like 7-iron in there yesterday, 6-iron. I hit -- today was into the wind, hit driver, 2-hybrid just through the green and chipped it in. Totally different way to go about it, but the same result.

Q. How close was that putt to drop on 18?

BERNHARD LANGER: Well, it wasn't close, but the putt was a really good putt and it went -- missed on the right edge and finished right behind the center of the hole. So it looked like going in, but it didn't. I had three or four of those today.

Q. Bernhard, that mindset you talked about, you have to come out tomorrow and just go really low, do you enjoy that, do you enjoy the kind of aggressive style that comes with --

BERNHARD LANGER: Yeah. I mean, I would rather be 5 ahead than 5 behind, to tell you the truth, but you can't choose, so you've just got to do whatever -- take whatever you have and make the best of it. I'm going to be behind, so I'm going to have to come out aggressive and hopefully go low.

Q. We saw, at least when we got to the course this morning, a few toques or heads -- I don't know what everyone calls it, toques?

BERNHARD LANGER: Toques.

Q. How cold was it when you got to the course? What was your mindset?

BERNHARD LANGER: It was the coldest I've played golf in a long time. It was probably 49, 50 degrees and a 12-mile-an-hour wind out of the north, so it felt a lot colder than that. Guys were bundled up. My caddie looked like he was going to go skiing, he had a face mask on like he's doing an exhibition in the Antarctic or something like that. It was pretty funny seeing a lot of guys with ski hats. We call them ski hats.

Q. When you feel like you could have been like 8 or 10 today, is that comforting going into tomorrow needing a low one?

BERNHARD LANGER: Well, it's comforting knowing I'm hitting the ball that close, but it's not comforting that I can't convert the putts. I'm going to have to find something with my putting stroke or reading the greens and hopefully get a bit more lucky tomorrow as well.