

ROUND 1 INTERVIEW
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BERNHARD LANGER (-4)

Q. Well, bogey-free round, great start to our return to Warwick. How do you feel about today's round?

BERNHARD LANGER: I feel good. I played very solid, hit a lot of fairways, good tee shots and gave myself some opportunities. Maybe a little disappointing the last five holes, I had all birdie chances and only made one of them, but that's how it goes at times.

Q. How were the conditions today?

BERNHARD LANGER: They were a little tricky with the wind. The wind was blowing 15 miles an hour at times and it slowed down, then it picked up again. But otherwise, pretty good. The course held up very well.

Q. Looking at just how competitive the field is, a lot of guys are saying you can't have anything less than a spectacular round. How does it feel to kind of get that first round with it only being three rounds as well, to get that first one?

BERNHARD LANGER: Well, it's always good to be near the leaders or amongst the leaders and not five or 10 behind, especially, as you say, with three rounds, it's hard to make up. But we've still got 36 holes to go, so a lot of golf to be played and many things can happen out here.

Q. Now, I know all golfers take notes and look at the conditions, but I've seen you in the media room quite a bit, maybe more than others. Are you just out there taking notes on the course?

BERNHARD LANGER: No. I call it the silly rule they made, the USGA and R&A made us change yardage books, so their green size is about this much smaller than last year. So I had to throw my old book out and put all the notes into my new book, which takes me about three to four hours. Plus, I have to change all the yards into meters in the new books. I play in meters. So it's a lot of work and I'm doing it every week.

Q. I saw you back there a couple times, so I was wondering. I know it's all part of the preparation.

BERNHARD LANGER: Yep.

Q. A lot of guys, of course, rave about coming back here. I know we did have the rain like you said, but how does it feel to be back here again for the second year in a row?

BERNHARD LANGER: Oh, it's fantastic. Ally is doing a great job with bringing this tournament back here and the people are excited. You see there's a lot of stuff going on, the members love having us. It's a golf course that we know from many, many years playing the PGA TOUR and I think everybody enjoys coming here.