SCOTT PAREL (-17)



**SCOTT PAREL:** Welcome, Scott Parel, winner of the 2020 Chubb Classic. Congratulations on the win, a lot of close calls in 2019, you finally break through. How good does this win feel?

**SCOTT PAREL:** Yeah, it feels fantastic to finally be in contention and finish the job. It's a great start to the year.

**CHRIS RICHARDS:** It was fun watching you today. It looked like the putter was really the key to your win.

**SCOTT PAREL:** Yeah, it was, no doubt. I don't know how many putts I made, but I made more than my share, so that's really the key I think on this tour. Everybody in the last few groups, everybody hits the ball pretty darn good, it's just the guy who's holing more putts. It was my week this week.

**CHRIS RICHARDS:** Coming town the back nine, I'm sure you were looking at the leaderboard. Was it good that you were playing with Bob Estes, the guy that was nearest to you most the back nine?

**SCOTT PAREL:** I didn't know that Bob was the one nearest to me. I looked at the leaderboard I think when I made the turn and I saw, I thought Bernhard -- or before the turn I think Bernhard was leading, and then I didn't really pay any attention. And then when I made my birdie on 10, I saw that I was ahead by one and I knew Bob was pretty close. So then down later in the round it was good to have Bob in there and I could figure it was just he and I.

Q. You addressed it a little bit on the Golf Channel interview, but you came close last year and you mentioned out there you don't know when you're going to get in contention, how many times, and to finish it off, when did you feel like okay, this is -- you know, I've got this thing?

**SCOTT PAREL:** Not until Bob missed that birdie putt on 18, because unfortunately last year both times I lost in playoffs, so I was hoping to avoid a playoff because I haven't had much luck in those lately. Not really until then. Bob made a fantastic putt on top of me on 15 and he made a great birdie putt on 17 and hit a pretty good shot in on 18. Not until he didn't make that birdie was I confident that I was going to win.

#### Q. Your wife was here?

### SCOTT PAREL: Yes.

#### Q. What does that mean?

**SCOTT PAREL:** Well, it's the first time she's been here since I won, or be here when I win. So I won twice in 2018 and she wasn't here, and not only her but a lot of friends and family that were here this week. To have them there so they can enjoy it, it was very special.

### Q. You go to Augusta and the Masters and stuff?

**SCOTT PAREL:** I usually go one day, normally on the practice round day and it's more just to see now -- see guys that I play with out here that I've become friends with, Bernhard, Larry Mize. Also, I played on the Nationwide Web.com Tour with a lot of guys who are now on the PGA TOUR so it's always fun to get to see guys like Kevin Kisner, I'm pretty good friends with, and Vaughn Taylor when he's getting to play. And I'm hoping my buddy Henrik Norlander's going to win here sometime before the year's out so he can play. So I really go just to see those guys and enjoy watching them out there.

#### Q. How did you end up at Augusta in the first place?

**SCOTT PAREL:** Well, I've lived there since I was 7 or 8 years old. My parents moved us there when I was young, met my wife in high school there. We love it in Augusta. We won't be moving.

#### Q. When was your first Masters, do you remember?

**SCOTT PAREL:** Well, the first time I went was when I was actually working there, which was probably I think ninth grade, that would have been like 1978. I worked on the eighth scoreboard there, so that was the first time I got on the grounds and it was quite a place. Still is.

# Q. You had it going, you had a short birdie putt there on 12 or 13 and it didn't go in, and then I don't know how long that was?

**SCOTT PAREL:** Yeah, three feet probably. I think the only three-footer I might have missed all week. I putted pretty well. Indecision is a killer. Unfortunately, I probably shouldn't have even watched Bob's chip. I watched his chip shot, looked like it went to the right and he was on a similar line. He seemed like he was confused that it did that as well because all along I thought it was maybe a right-to-left putt and I got over the putt and didn't make a very decisive stroke and that's what happens.

## Q. The next hole, I don't know how long that was?

**SCOTT PAREL:** Well, 14 I hit a really good putt, left it two inches from going in. And then

15 I made a nice long one there, yeah.

#### Q. What did that do, when you make that?

**SCOTT PAREL:** Well, yeah, then unfortunately Bob made it right on top of me so I didn't increase my lead any. And I knew 17 was probably going to be a birdie hole for just about everybody, so I needed to keep that cushion as best I could.

CHRIS RICHARDS: Congratulations, Scott, and good luck the rest of the season.

SCOTT PAREL: Thank you, Chris.