

# The Senior Open Presented by Rolex

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Sunningdale Golf Club

## Thomas Bjorn

### Quick Quotes

#### **Q. Your thoughts on playing at Sunningdale this week?**

THOMAS BJØRN: Yeah, after the main tour, you hear about it after The Open and you see all the guys that have done stuff in the game heading off to play in the Senior Open when you normally play in The Open, it was quite interesting to have that mindset I think for 25, 30 years, I've had the mindset of that's kind of where your break comes, and now all of a sudden after The Open Championship, now all of a sudden you get into playing golf.

Mindset is a bit different, but it's a lovely event and obviously here on this golf course, it's special.

#### **Q. What about mindset, you're a rookie again, how have you dealt with those emotions of being eligible to play at this level?**

THOMAS BJØRN: Yeah, I don't know if I feel a rookie. I don't know if you ever feel like a rookie when you're this age, but I think it's just you come out and you see guys you've played your whole career with, and that gives you a little bit of a different kind of vibe.

I ended up playing in normal event the last few years with guys that are 20, 25 years younger than me all the time and now you're playing with guys that you have your old golf with. You have your old rivalries and your old friendships, and it gives you a different vibe. It's something that's nice to be part of again. I look forward to it in some ways, but in some other ways you don't really want to turn 50 either. There's a lot of great things about being out with the guys you used to play with.

#### **Q. How is the standard at this level?**

THOMAS BJØRN: They can play. People work hard here. It's a continuous drive to be successful. There's no shortcuts ever in this game. At any level, there's people that work 100 per cent and they do it to the full, and most



of those guys out here, they have a great history of achieving things, and they are not scared when they get there on Sunday. This is not an easy place to play. It's a place where you've got to stick your nose down and do the right things.

#### **Q. Given your record in The Open, is this a championship you feel like you might be able to knock off?**

THOMAS BJØRN: Well, you'd like to think so. I come into it with not many expectations, but just an enjoyment of playing and I hope I can take that out in four days and enjoy myself, and then hopefully be there or thereabouts on Sunday.

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