



INTERVIEW TRANSCRIPT: JOEY SINDELAR
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Q. Tell us about your round. Obviously were you watching the leaderboard to know what was going on?

JOEY SINDELAR: Yeah, I did, and it seemed like when I had my little bit of excitement, maybe my first two-thirds of the round, Wiebe just kept staying up ahead that we couldn't get in touch with him. And Nick got hot, caught up. But it just seemed as I stubbed my toe, I thought that Wieb was going to be the one. I was stunned when I turned around after 15 and it was Huston at 14 rather than Mark. Through those tougher holes, I just didn't hit any really, really good shots to get me right there. I think I might have been within two a couple of times but not quite enough to be right there. It sure was fun. I had a good time and hit enough good shots to carry on to next week.

Q. That putt on 12 for eagle, did you feel like if that goes in, maybe it shakes up things a little bit?

JOEY SINDELAR: Well, you know, it's a strange thing, you know, a putt like that goes in and the whole mapping of the entire rest of the course could have been different. I know in hindsight I look back and it's a shot missed. All of a sudden you're thinking differently. Harder shots become harder because you're closer. Maybe I would have excelled from there or maybe I would have lost three golf balls on No. 15. You never know. I'm pleased. It was very fun and exciting to be in the hunt. I'll take good stuff with me from this.

Q. I can imagine it's even more exciting that this is your hometown crowd, hometown tournament. What was it like going down to the wire for all these fans that are really pulling for you?

JOEY SINDELAR: Yeah, very, very exciting. Always thrilling to be in the mix because everybody talks about this tournament for at least several months in advance, if not the entire year, so it's enormously fun. The difficulty is when you miss a little putt like that, what was that, 16, for birdie, that's a lot of long faces to

look up and see. But that's okay, I'm not blaming them. It's just very funny to see. But they're there for me and it's thrilling to feel that excitement. The guys that I play with always know. I said to Nick when that eagle putt lipped out, I said, did you wish that out of the hole? And he looked at me and just as quick as anything, he said, are you kidding me, I would get lynched in this town for wishing one of yours out of the cup. So the guys are very fun about my relationship with this tournament. They love coming here and it was a super nice week.

Q. Of course, you would have loved to win this. Tied for fourth to finish, it's really not a bad --

JOEY SINDELAR: No, it's not a bad week at all. This is still early in the year for me. I missed three really big tournaments and a couple more weeks with my back injury. I really need to be just thankful that I'm here and playing. The fact that my game is in pretty darn good shape on top of that, I'm happy.

Q. I know it was a big weekend for your family. Did you have family walking the course with you today?

JOEY SINDELAR: I imagine I was at least third billing in the house today. Ryan's graduation party is starting very shortly so mom will be there for that. She was also torn because Jamie's in the finals at the Elmira best ball with his college teammate so they've got a lot of excitement going on. So I was just some sideshow in the family today, but that's the way we like it.

Q. (Inaudible.)

JOEY SINDELAR: Another good -- you know, anytime I can put more room between what occurred. It's funny, I still have plenty of soreness, nothing inhibiting my swing, but as I walk and stuff, a lot of the attachments I still feel. I'm sure there's more battle to do, but I'm just really thankful to play another 54-hole tournament with good -- you know, the good news is they made me exercise and the exercise made me, I think, a better golfer. I think I'm happy all the way around the block. Thank you.