



**INTERVIEW TRANSCRIPT: MARK WIEBE**  
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**MODERATOR:** Mark, thanks for joining us. It has to be a little disappointing considering how you played all week until you got to that, maybe take us through that little stretch; you come off birdies at 10 and 11, you had three straight bogeys.

What went wrong in that area there?

**MARK WIEBE:** Well, thinking back, I actually told my caddie when we were leaving the 15th tee, I said, I (inaudible) hit the ball, I think -- I don't know, I never really got to rest and unwind from Rock Barn and I think I was kind of spent, I guess. I haven't made many mental errors with my game. Since I don't hit it as far as these guys, I have to really play flawless golf and I was doing a good job of it, really limiting the mental errors, and I made three holes in a row where they were mental errors and that's usually when I'm tired, tired of thinking 172 yards into the wind left to right, air's heavy, you know, and so on. So I think that's what happened. Just, you know, I played up to a perfect yardage on 12, 75 yards to the hole, and today for some reason the ball was going a little farther with my wedges and I thought I adjusted and I had no idea I hit it in the bunker at all, it didn't even enter my mind, and made a bogey there.

And then hit a great drive on 13, probably the hardest driving hole other than 15 out here I hit the fairway on is 13. Hit a great drive. And again, the pin's on the right, you have to go to the middle of the green. I'm trying to hit a cut shot around the tree and I missed it to the right. Again, this is all hindsight, but you just can't hit that shot. You go to the middle of the green and cut it. If it doesn't cut, I have a birdie putt and life goes on.

And the next hole is a tough hole. That par 3 played tough today, 205 yards into the wind. And I know not to miss it left but I didn't know I was going to be where I was and I was on a downslope of the bunker. I hit a great shot to have a 15-footer for par. And then we left the tee and I told Brett, I said, I'm a little exhausted maybe, you know, after being pretty good mentally all week and then I

wasn't -- I guess once I kind of noticed what was going on, I maybe cleared it up because I hit a great drive on 15 and pretty good second shot. I wasn't going to go long there. I was trying to hit an 8-iron probably farther than I can. Made a great putt for birdie and then birdied the next hole and actually hit it close on 17 and at that -- before John hit, I thought, well, I'm two back, I'm still in the running here, anything can happen. Then he hit a gimmie on 17 so that ended that little pep talk I had. Then I missed the birdie anyway.

And the last hole I made a good 5, I hit it right next to a tree. Again, I think I was a little tired and I'm really glad this week's over and I won't be doing anything for a little while, at least 24 hours' worth. My son's coming in tomorrow so we'll probably start talking golf tomorrow night.

**Q. How long were your birdie putts on 15 and 16?**

**MARK WIEBE:** 15 was a long putt, I'm going to say that was a 30-foot putt with about four feet of break probably. It was a great putt, I couldn't believe I made it. The birdie putt on 16 was about 12 feet, I guess.

**Q. How about those putts that you missed on 13 and 14?**

**MARK WIEBE:** 13 was probably about a 10-foot putt. I pitched it by. Actually, I was trying to make that shot. I was in there close and I thought I had a chance to maybe chip that in and the ball didn't come out like I thought, it went by about 10 feet. 14, again, that was about a 15-footer for par, I guess, maybe just inside that.

**Q. How long a putt on 2?**

**MARK WIEBE:** 2, I hit almost gimmie, a wedge from 110, it was two feet, I guess.

**Q. Did you just lay it up too close on 3?**

**MARK WIEBE:** On 3? 3 was -- that ball went a long way. I was kind of -- starting the day I was hitting it long. I was trying to hit a 5-iron that I hit 180, I was trying hit it maybe 190 and I think it went about 200 yards. It threw me a little bit. Again, that was a poor shot but I wanted to have it 10 yards back, then it would have been an easy shot, I thought.

**Q. How deflating walking off this front side having done nothing on the par 5s?**

**MARK WIEBE:** Well, that irritated me, to tell you the truth. That's kind of my game, you know, to get my wedge in my hand and hit it close. 3 bummed me

out. I had a nice putt at it, I probably had an 8-foot birdie putt. I thought I hit a good putt. And then 8, I must have had a 12-foot birdie putt. I thought I hit those two putts good. I don't know if it was deflating but it irritated me at the time, but not too much because I birdied 10 and 11, you know. I'll hear it from my son because he hits the ball long and he has par 5s for dinner and he's always on me to swing harder off the tee so I maybe have a shot to get home, and if I don't, I can lay up. And I'm sure he'll say -- because I played the par 5s today 1-over, I bogeyed 12 and parred the other three. It was a poor exhibition on par 5s.

**Q. How old's your son?**

**MARK WIEBE:** 22.

**Q. What's his name?**

**MARK WIEBE:** Gunner, G-U-N-N-E-R.

**Q. He's coming here?**

**MARK WIEBE:** No, he's meeting me in Montreal. It's going to be awesome. I'm totally stoked and excited to just spend some time with Gunner and talk golf. I'm sure we'll talk about this tournament, we'll talk about his first mini tour. He just graduated, played NCAAs and then turned pro, so he's got everything in front of him.

**Q. Does he blow it by you?**

**MARK WIEBE:** Oh, yeah, it's been since he was, I think, 15 or so. He's almost as tall as me, weighs 170 pounds, built like my wife and he bombs it. I'm sure I'll hear a little of that when I get to my phone, especially after the wounds heal a little bit.

**MODERATOR:** How long were your putts on -- birdie putts on 10 and 11?

**MARK WIEBE:** 10 was about a 15-foot putt and 11 was probably about 10 to 12 feet.

**MODERATOR:** Okay.

**Q. And after doing nothing for the most part on the front nine to make those birdies to get back by two, did you feel like you kind of steadied the ship there a little bit?**

**MARK WIEBE:** I didn't think of it that way. I kind of thought of it more as I'm back on my game a little bit here. Patience is a great deal in golf, although we

hate hearing it, but I was very patient. Like I said yesterday, you just have to take what it gives you, you know, the golf course that day, that particular day, and it didn't give me birdies on the front. Jeez, I ended up having birdied 10, 11, 15 and 16, so four birdies on the back nine's not bad. I think I just went into a little bit of a funk. You know, I hadn't made a bogey all week and I don't think I made one at Rock Barn. I made one so I thought that was fun, I'll make two more.

But I will say also, congratulations to John Huston. He played great. To come back from that little woopsie he had yesterday on 7 when he made a double and he missed a gimmie, and to come back and battle back and, you know, he took advantage of a situation. You know, after 11 holes, it was looking pretty good, and when I made bogey on 12 and he birdied and then he stiffed it on 13 and he took advantage. The door opened and he jumped right in. He played nice today.

**MODERATOR:** Okay. Thank you, Mark.