



**INTERVIEW TRANSCRIPT: BRAD FAXON**  
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**MODERATOR:** Brad, final round 71 and a 12-under, you finish actually T3. Just a couple thoughts about the day and then take us through the back nine a little bit if you could.

**BRAD FAXON:** Sure. Well, I got off to a great start, the start I wanted to get off to. After John eagled the first hole, I was like wow, that's unbelievable. And I made birdies on the two par 5s, 3 and 5, and made a great birdie on 6.

You know, this is the first time I've been really in contention in the last group in a long time and I felt a little bit of pressure on the back nine. I didn't make any birdies on the back nine in pretty good conditions, but overall I'm very pleased. Played well, would like to be in that playoff right now obviously, so I think this is a big step forward going into the last few tournaments of the year for me.

**Q. Do you just want to run through the round real quick?**

**BRAD FAXON:** Sure. I made about a 15-footer for birdie on No. 3. No. 5, I hit, oh, boy, I made a 25-footer from the fringe on 5. Then on 6 about a 15-footer after hitting a 7-iron into 6. Good start. Probably wished I had hit a better shot into No. 8, I had only about a 75-yard sand wedge shot and I kind of chunked it a little bit and made a slope bogey there, but kind of hung in there and made a couple good par saves on the back nine and just hit my first kind of off iron shot there on 17. I was kind of salivating over that.

**MODERATOR:** What club?

**BRAD FAXON:** 7-iron, 180-yard shot, just pushed it out to the right a little bit.

**MODERATOR:** And your chip was not so good.

**BRAD FAXON:** Yeah, it's the S-H word. Yeah, just hit it on the hosel of the club and I haven't done that I don't think in my life. It wasn't the best time to experiment with that, but I don't think that will happen again for a while.

**MODERATOR:** And then 18, tell us about that, right down the middle.

**BRAD FAXON:** 18, hit a beautiful drive and I had a hard 9-iron shot. The pin was on the right, so it was one of those I kind of had to start a little bit right and I didn't want to hit it out over the right edge of the green. It was an indecision shot and I just hooked it. Getting a little run there from the fringe, almost made that 50 or 60 footer, but would have liked to have a better chance than that on the last hole. I'm excited for Willie. We've been playing since college and that was a pretty nice cool putt to see.

**Q. How long was your par putt on 12?**

**BRAD FAXON:** 25 feet, probably maybe a little more.

**Q. Did you just slide the club under it?**

**BRAD FAXON:** On the practice rounds I noticed on the upslopes of a lot of these fairways it was really tight, the short grass, but soft underneath it and loose. I saw John Hughes did it a few times, Mark Wiebe did it yesterday, we played together. You've got to be so precise and I hit -- I just kind of chunked that and I said, you know what, I'm just going to hit a hybrid off there, it was kind of a sloppy shot. It was a good par save.

**Q. Your lie there on 17?**

**BRAD FAXON:** It was pretty good. It wasn't a bad lie. I had some really bad lies, not that one. I was just trying to plop it up there. It was one of those I thought would roll down the whole way. I don't know what happened.

**Q. Can you just sum up your week here?**

**BRAD FAXON:** It was so great. I feel like I kind of came home in a lot of ways. There were so many people pulling for me. I felt like a lot of people remembered '99 and 2000 like I did certainly. I'm just proud. It's -- I'm happy for the Champions Tour, I'm psyched about Dick's being the title sponsor here and I'm happy for everybody here in Broome County. It's amazing what you guys pull together.

**MODERATOR:** Brad, we'll let you go.