



**INTERVIEW TRANSCRIPT: BERNHARD LANGER & TOM LEHMAN**  
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**DAVE SENKO:** Well, gentlemen, right now 16-under, one back. Maybe just kind of talk a little about your day and then we'll get some questions.

**TOM LEHMAN:** I'll go ahead and answer that. Bernhard played fantastic today from the very beginning of the round to the very end of the round, 18 holes of great golf. He didn't get a lot of help from his partner, which is disappointing. The good news is we're only one back. I think we're in good position.

**BERNHARD LANGER:** Yeah, we had some opportunities. The back nine was disappointing. To be 2-under on the back side is not a whole lot, especially with 11 being downwind, basically almost a par 4 anyways. So we had a few chances there, just we were a bit unfortunate with a couple of the putts. Good news is we're only one behind, still got 18 holes to play.

**DAVE SENKO:** Okay. Maybe just recap your birdies, three of your first four holes. Do you remember who made the birdies and length of the putts starting at 1?

**BERNHARD LANGER:** 1, I hit it to about two feet, foot and a half with a lob wedge.

**DAVE SENKO:** The par 3, No. 3?

**BERNHARD LANGER:** 3, it was a 2-hybrid and then I made, what, a 30-footer or something like that. No. 4, I hit driver, hybrid just to the back edge and almost chipped it in, left it two inches. Tom would have made 4 probably as well. And then 6, 3-wood, 8-iron and about a 15-foot putt. No. 9 was a driver for me and 9-iron and that was about a 20-foot putt, 18-foot putt, something like that.

**DAVE SENKO:** Par 5, No. 11.

**BERNHARD LANGER:** Tom hit driver, 5-iron and two-putted from very far away, probably -- yeah, 80 feet, 90 feet or so. It was a long way.

**DAVE SENKO:** And No. 15, par 3?

**BERNHARD LANGER:** 8-iron and probably another 18-foot putt or something, 20-foot putt.

**DAVE SENKO:** Questions?

**Q. We always say you don't play on paper. I think you might even have quoted that early in the week, they don't play this on paper but on paper it's working out pretty well for you guys. Are there any surprises tomorrow that you see, or we should expect to another great round from you guys? Anything that can throw off your game?**

**BERNHARD LANGER:** I don't know. I think if we had played a little better the last two days. Yesterday he was carrying me to a great extent, today I was carrying him, and if we had done a little better we might have a two-shot lead right now, but we're one behind, which is not a bad spot to be. We need to play well tomorrow, that's what it comes down to. We can't shoot 7-under tomorrow, that's not going to work. We've got to do better.

**Q. You've been through Sundays here at the Legends a few times. What should we expect? When there's such a group together starting the day, what kind of tournament should we expect tomorrow?**

**BERNHARD LANGER:** It will be exciting I think, right? We have a whole bunch of teams within three shots. It should be an exciting tournament where all sorts of partners and teams have a chance to win.

**TOM LEHMAN:** Absolutely. And if there's any moisture that comes in which slows the greens down a little bit, I think the scores will even be lower. I just think it's all set for somebody to shoot really low. I think it's out there. I think there's a 60 out there, a 59, 61, obviously those are all possibilities and I think somebody may do that tomorrow.

**Q. Roger Chapman and Jay Don Blake are a stroke ahead, and I was looking back through Roger Chapman's bio a little bit today. Needless to say, I was pretty amazed. You guys were out last year and saw what he did in the majors. Can you kind of talk about from watching him and here's somebody that played for 30 years and really had never had much success and then last year, lightening in a bottle, whatever has really turned it on, can you give some insights on somebody that comes on late like that?**

**BERNHARD LANGER:** I don't know, you'd have to ask him. I think Roger has one of the best swings there is out there. He's probably gotten better with his technique as he's aged. When he came over here, I don't know what his expectations were, but he started winning. Once you win and you gain confidence, then it just opens up not a can of worms, a can of good things, you know? This game is a lot about confidence and he had a couple of brilliant tournaments last year and he's played pretty good this year. I was paired with him twice the last two tournaments and he was in the last group both times. He's playing some good golf. As I said, he's long, he's usually pretty straight, and if he can make some putts, there's no reason why he shouldn't be around and I think we're going to hear more and more from him.

**TOM LEHMAN:** I think he may not have won a whole lot, but he's been a good player for a long time. It's not like he's been a slouch really. The times that I played with him in Europe over the years, I was always pretty impressed with his game. He's not the kind of guy, in my opinion who suddenly has become a good player. He's always been a good player. He just maybe hasn't had that little something extra that he's always needed to get over the top. Like Bernhard says, I think he's found it. Usually it's the between-the-ears thing that you learn at some point that you can trust in what you're doing and victories come as a result.

**BERNHARD LANGER:** I don't think he ever lost his playing privileges or his card, so he was always there. He played in the same era where six or seven of the greatest European players were playing with Seve and Faldo and Woosnam, Lyle and Olazabal and myself and that's some tough competition to beat. But ask him, he might give you more answers.

**Q. The last two holes here aren't pushovers. I think Faxon and Sluman bogeyed 17, and 18 when the pin's on the back part of the green is not a gimme birdie. Talk about the last two holes, if you need two birdies tomorrow to win it, that's not necessarily a done deal, right?**

**TOM LEHMAN:** With the wind from the east it makes the holes a little bit easier. 17 being downwind was only a 6-iron today, for example. For a guy who draws the ball like myself, the wind from the east makes the 18th easier as well, you can hook it back into the wind and kind of soften the blow a little bit. But you're right, 17 and 18, if you have to make two birdies to win, good luck. You can do it, Bernhard did it yesterday, but it takes really good shots and you've got to make obviously two putts.

**BERNHARD LANGER:** It's a little bit easier this year I think because the greens are softer. In the past the greens have been extremely firm, and 18 with that knob in the middle, if you land it short, it stops somewhat because you're going uphill into the grain. If you land it over the knob, it goes over the green. I think they sanded the greens a week or two ago or something and they receive the ball a little bit better.

**Q. Where will the pin be on 18 tomorrow, do you know? Is it usually the back?**

**BERNHARD LANGER:** Middle left to back left usually.

**Q. If you had to pick one shot of the day between the two of you, the best shot today, what would it be? Would it be No. 4 or what would you consider your best shot today?**

**BERNHARD LANGER:** I really liked my hybrid that I hit on No. 4, par 5.

**TOM LEHMAN:** That was a great shot.

**BERNHARD LANGER:** That was a beautiful shot. I was hoping it would go in the hole, but it didn't.

**Q. (Inaudible)**

**BERNHARD LANGER:** No, no, I chipped it to two inches. It was probably seven, eight yards beyond the hole.

**TOM LEHMAN:** The fact of the matter is that Bernhard hit a lot of great shots today. He hit a beautiful shot into the 5th hole to about five or six feet, he hit a beautiful putt that missed. All day long you hit great shots hunting the pin. If you ended up being 18 or 20 feet away, it looked like it was going to be a lot closer in the air. From my perspective watching him play is pretty much every shot was a great shot so I was pretty impressed.

**BERNHARD LANGER:** I think we both hit great irons into 18. I hit it pretty much where I wanted to and his was going right at the flag. Unfortunate that we didn't make a birdie, but they were two really good shots.

**DAVE SENKO:** Okay, no more questions? Thank you, guys.

**BERNHARD LANGER:** You're welcome.