

**ABRAHAM ANCER**

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**Q. Abraham, T-4 last week at Shriners, the good form continues. Just talk about the confidence you must have coming into this week.**

**ABRAHAM ANCER:** Yeah, I've been playing really solid. Probably the past six months I've been playing some good golf, been really, really comfortable in tournaments. I just feel like I obviously belong and have obviously a chance to win every week. Just need to keep putting myself in that situation and I've been able to do that lately. I think my short game has been sharp, just a couple mistakes here and there that have kept me from like that top spot. But other than that, I'm very happy with my game.

**Q. You mentioned the short game. Where does that confidence come from? Is it from a lot of work you've put in leading up to that point, or how do you find that confidence?**

**ABRAHAM ANCER:** I just started working. I really noticed at the end of the season of what I needed to get better physically, mentally, my game, and I slowly kind of started putting together a plan, physical like at the gym. Nothing too crazy, but stuff that I needed to get better at and doing it slowly. You can't really do that too fast, it will mess up your swing. So started doing that.

Also, really working hard on my putting. I felt like I had a lot of good ball-striking weeks and I just didn't get anything out of them. I started putting really well. I'm going to keep doing that same routine I've got going practicing. I think key for me is to practice my putting, I think that's what made a big difference.

**Q. Short term obviously this week is a big week for you playing at home, but long term I imagine the Presidents Cup would be a goal in the back of your mind. I noticed you jumped up into the top-10 of the standings. Talk about that a little bit, how meaningful that would be to maybe make that team or to actually try and make the team during the year.**

**ABRAHAM ANCER:** Correct, yeah, that's definitely one of my goals. Playing the Presidents Cup will be historic for Mexico and obviously for me it will be a dream come true. It's one of the tournaments and events that you really want to obviously -- I mean, you always dream about it and see it on TV and stuff and it will be incredible if that happens and that is definitely one of my goals for this year.

But like I said, first thing first, we've got to take care of business this we go and every other week.

**Q. And your form around this golf course, how many times have you played here?**

**ABRAHAM ANCER:** This is my fourth.

**Q. Things that you like about the golf course?**

**ABRAHAM ANCER:** I love it, I think it's a great golf course. You've got to hit it really good off the tee. Off the tee's key here. I think the rough is a little bit up this year, so it might be even more key to be in the fairway. But yeah, just keeping it out of the hazard will be one of the main things out here. If you're in the fairway, you're going to have a good chance to score.

**Q. And I also noticed after your finish last week that you moved into the top-100 in the official World Golf rankings, which is a huge feat, and I think you're the first Mexican player to do that. Is there any added pressure on you now, do you feel, given your situation?**

**ABRAHAM ANCER:** I don't think so, no. I mean, I don't tend to really look at world ranking that much. I feel like that -- I mean, there's some guys that might be in the 500s and there's even more than that that are really good players. It's just kind of weird out it works.

Obviously it's great to be inside the top 100 and I'm going to keep working towards the top-50, which is where you really want to be that really makes a difference getting into events and majors and WGCs. Yeah, I don't think it's added pressure, I think it just motivates me to get better.

**Q. And just finally, can you talk about not many PGA TOUR players, international players get to play a PGA TOUR event in their home country. Can you just talk about that and how meaningful that is to you and your colleagues?**

**ABRAHAM ANCER:** Yeah. I mean, having four Mexicans playing with a full card this year, it's incredible. This is one of my favorite events. Even if it wasn't in Mexico, it's a great event. It's a lot of fun, the food is incredible. The resorts, it doesn't matter where you stay around here, it's awesome. People love it. And people, if they come the first time, they tend to come back and it's always awesome playing in front of the Mexican crowd.

**Q. Will you have a chance to do anything away from the golf course that the resort offers? What sort of things do you like to do here?**

**ABRAHAM ANCER:** Probably just take it easy. We're staying in a villa right here on the golf course, which is amazing. We're at the pool and we go to the beach, it's right there. Cruising around. Probably won't do anything crazy, just kind of hang out and relax, which this is an extremely relaxing week, which I'll take advantage of that. Definitely a couple spa days.