

**SCOTT PAREL (-1)**

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**Q. Can you just walk us through the end? It was a really nice recovery after 17, to make a birdie on 18.**

**SCOTT PAREL:** Yeah, it was good. Lucky for us, we had a little help off the tee, makes that hole a little shorter. I hit a big drive yesterday and had a short shot, so I thought if I hit a good one, I would have a wedge in my hand, and I did. I hit a good shot and made a good putt.

**Q. What is it about this place that you really like? Because you were in the final group last year, and likely again this year.**

**SCOTT PAREL:** Yeah. Because it's tough. You got to -- I did get some lucky breaks, but you're not going to get a whole lot of luck out there. You really have to strike the ball well. I haven't driven the ball that great. I missed a bunch of fairways, but I put myself -- even when you miss the fairways if you miss them in the right spot to where you can at least run it up -- that's what I think is fair about this place, is even when you -- it is penal if you miss off the tee, but it usually gives you a chance to recover if you miss it in the rough in the right spot. So and then when you're hitting it well, you can attack the flags, get good numbers, so --

**Q. This might be an obvious question, but how much more does a major championship mean?**

**SCOTT PAREL:** Oh, I mean, it's -- it means a whole lot. There's a lot of good stuff that comes with it. Five years going to Hawaii and five years in some of those other tournaments, for sure. For a guy like me, that -- if I play bad next year, I somehow fall out, then I'm back where I started. And then to even just get to say that you won a major out here, I think it maybe elevates your status somewhat, makes you feel like you're a pretty decent player out here.

**Q. And the opportunity maybe to play in THE PLAYERS Championship.**

**SCOTT PAREL:** Well, sure. I would love to do that. I got to play in the U.S. Am in '94 there and that's the only time I have played there. So yeah, that would be special. But I'm not going to -- all the other things that go with it, yeah, that's great. I know these guys have played in that tournament so many times know how great it is to play in that event, so it really motivates them. I have never got to play in it, so I would be -- that would be great.

**Q. This is kind of random, but earlier in the week we were kind of doing a story on different players and what parts of their -- what parts of other players' games they would want to borrow, and we wound up asking Fred Couples that question and he said, I would love to have Scott Parel's driving ability.**

**SCOTT PAREL:** Maybe not this week. Yeah, actually my dad read that. My dad is all over that PGATour.com, reading everything, and he's like, yeah, that's quite a compliment for Fred Couples to say that.

When I played with Fred, I have driven the ball pretty good. So, he hasn't seen me every day, but that -- I feel like I'm a pretty good driver of the golf ball. It hasn't been that great this week, but most of the time, I think it sets me up pretty well out here. If you have a little bit extra length and you hit 60, 70 percent of the fairways, somewhere in between there, I think you got -- it's quite an advantage.