

ROUND 1 INTERVIEW
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BERNHARD LANGER (-10)

Q. Bernhard, great day out there for you, 64. Just your thoughts on the round today.

BERNHARD LANGER: Yeah, my caddie just said when I holed out on 18, he said, "That's the best you've played since Tucson." Yeah, I kept the ball in play, hit a lot of fairways, lot of greens, gave myself a lot of opportunities and putted decent.

You know, 7 under is very nice anytime, but the conditions were gorgeous. We had very little wind, maybe 5-mile an hour wind, even though it was gusting a bit, changing around constantly, but conditions were ideal. Still very happy with the round and with the score.

Q. You mentioned the conditions. Was that the main change from yesterday to today in your play or was there something else that you kind of attribute the big jump in score to?

BERNHARD LANGER: Well, I played reasonably yesterday with 3 under, just hit a couple of loose shots and today I didn't have any loose shots. I kept the ball pretty much in play all day long. There was never any real worries of -- well, I did make a bogey, I included one bogey, but in general it was a pretty calm day as such. As I said, I hit many fairways, many greens, didn't have a lot of trouble to deal with.

Q. Does the second round feel a bit different when you're talking a three-round event as opposed to a four-round event, you're trying to put yourself in position for the championship day?

BERNHARD LANGER: Maybe slightly because you only have 18 holes to make up any ground that you need to make up. You know, we know out here you can't afford a bad round. Once you have a bad round in three days, you're definitely out, and even in four days it's hard to make up for it.

Q. Does it feel a little bit better ending the round on a birdie like you did?

BERNHARD LANGER: It always does, yeah, much better than a bogey. No, it's always nice to finish well. I had a couple under the last four holes, so that was a good feeling.