

WILL ZALATORIS (-10)

Q. Kind of an all-or-nothing week. What are just general closing thoughts about --

WILL ZALATORIS: Yeah, I played good enough to win, I just made a couple too many mistakes really the first two days and obviously on the back nine today. Yeah, it's obviously disappointing, but on to the Race to Dubai.

Q. Have you come to grips about not going to the FedExCup Playoffs? I know now a test here. What's kind of been your mindset? I know you had to win, but what's your thought as far as you said disappointing, but you should be in.

WILL ZALATORIS: Yeah, I mean, it is what it is. I did all I could, I've got no regrets. The only reason why I'm not a part of the Playoffs is because of COVID, so it's a little disappointing, but at the same time I fought my tail off all year. Obviously a year ago today I didn't even have status out here. Obviously super proud and it's a pretty cool feeling to be disappointed that I'm not a part of the FedExCup considering where I was last year.

Q. What about your schedule now? You're going to go to Europe and play?

WILL ZALATORIS: Yeah, I'm going to go to Europe. I'm going to play a couple weeks over there. Obviously doing all I can to try to make the Ryder Cup team. I think obviously going over there I'm going to have to probably win whatever I play in just to have a chance, but game feels good, back's really held up nicely the last two weeks. Like I said, I'm shocked I've played and performed and felt as good as I have, but obviously excited going forward.

Q. How many events are you going to play over there, and did Stricker, did he suggest you do that?

WILL ZALATORIS: No, he hasn't suggested anything. I kind of felt like I needed to do it. I don't know exactly what my schedule's going to be yet. I've got an idea, but I don't want to throw anything out there, then all of a sudden I'm not playing in an event or two.

Q. None on the Korn Ferry Playoffs?

WILL ZALATORIS: I'm not allowed to play. Yeah, I can't go back to the Playoffs, either.

Q. I assume you've met Steve? Have you had chats with him about the Ryder Cup?

WILL ZALATORIS: Yeah, I played nine holes with him in a practice round at the PGA. We've texted a little bit here and there. I know I'm on the outside looking in, so that's why I

know I have to go earn it. I really -- the last couple months I haven't really performed up to being on that team, but I know that obviously as a whole I've got a chance. I think the big thing is obviously I need a win to put something on my resume because Korn Ferry is not going to really get you on the Ryder Cup team.

Q. What does the Ryder Cup mean to you? Something you grew up loving?

WILL ZALATORIS: Yeah, it's the best event in the world. There's nothing like it. Anytime you put on the red, white and blue, I mean, I've been fortunate to play representing the U.S. from the junior to amateur, college level and hopefully as a professional. It's something that every year, whether it's a Ryder Cup or a Presidents Cup, I've got -- that's the goal.

Q. Ryder Cup singles Sunday, it's you for the championship, which player from Europe do you want to play?

WILL ZALATORIS: I don't know.

Q. Do you think special temporary members should be eligible for the FedExCup?

WILL ZALATORIS: So no with a caveat. So I think that the guys who come in with special temporary status, obviously you need to win to be a part. The only difference in my case obviously is because of COVID, I would have had my card anyways and I didn't get any handouts. The only handout that I got was from the U.S. Open for finishing top-10 in the Korn Ferry. So it is what it is. I've had enough good conversations with the Tour and I get it, I totally get it. If I was one of the decision makers in that situation, I mean, there's plenty of guys that deserve their opportunities to play and technically I would be taking a spot away from a member, so I get that part.

The only thing that's a little bit different in my situation is obviously without COVID I would have had my card at the start of the year. So it is what it is. Like I said, it's no malice at all, the bar is set. I could be frustrated all season long and that's not going to be healthy, so I knew that I had to go out and win one basically over the last nine months and I didn't get it done.

Q. Have you committed to Napa yet?

WILL ZALATORIS: Yeah, I'll start the year at Napa, for sure.