



Q. We're here with Bernhard Langer. Congratulations. Tell us how you're feeling. What's going on in that head right now?

BERNHARD LANGER: Yeah, it was an emotional rollercoaster. What a week, starting off with some back issues for me where I almost withdrew and then it got a little bit better, and then Jim Furyk leading the tournament pretty much all week long, coming down to the very last shot literally of the tournament where he had a chance to eagle the last to win the Schwab Cup. Unfortunately didn't hit his best 3-wood in there, but what a great champion and gentleman Jim Furyk is. He'll have many more chances to lift this trophy.

I'm just overwhelmed, you know, at 64 to win this thing six times. It will probably be my last one, I'm almost sure of that, but it's very, very special.

Q. Can you just talk about like four, five days ago you thought about possibly withdrawing from this tournament and now here you are? That's insane.

BERNHARD LANGER: It is. You know, I was fortunate to bring a lead into this tournament of 336,000 points, so I was in the driver's seat. But Jim has been playing so good every week he tees it up, and I got some help there from Phil Mickelson and a couple other guys to put pressure on Jim Furyk, but he still had a chance coming down the last hole. If he had eagled the last, he would be here lifting this trophy right now.

So extremely grateful to have won it a sixth time at age 64. It takes a whole team. My caddie, Terry Holt; my wife, Vikki, and my kids and grandkids, coaches and all sorts of support system. I'm a very blessed man and really appreciate it.

Q. What are you going to be up to in the offseason? What's next for you?

BERNHARD LANGER: Not much fun. I'm flying to Germany tomorrow to get my knee worked on and I will not be hitting any balls for about six to eight weeks just to get rehab done on my knee, and hopefully I'll be healthy starting next January again in Hawaii. That's the goal for now.

I've been dealing with this knee now for four, five years and it's time to do something about it.

Q. You've told us before you grew up in a very small town in Germany. When you think about your golf journey and now six of these things?

BERNHARD LANGER: I know, I've got to pinch myself. It's like a dream come true in terms of where I come from, how I grew up and where I've been, what I went through. I should really write a book or do a movie about it, to tell you the truth.

I've been fortunate enough to play with all sorts of royalty and kings and queens and met all sorts of amazing people around the world, seeing parts of the world that I never dreamt of seeing.

The other thing, I married an American, I'm speaking English the whole time. The way I grew up, nobody spoke English. Actually, in school I thought I would never speak English, I didn't even put any effort behind it until I had to.

It's a crazy story, but that's what America is about. There's many stories like mine, I'm just very fortunate.

Q. Will you be sort of determined as ever in 2022? Do you feel like you're still going to try to go for a seventh, I guess?

BERNHARD LANGER: I still have some game. I obviously realize it's getting harder with the strong rookies we had coming out the last two years, which was a very strong group of Jim Furyk and Mickelson and Ernie Els, Retief, K.J. Choi, Mike Weir, Cejka, all the major winners, Hall of Famers. They make it very hard. They're going to win a whole bunch of tournaments and it makes it that much harder for someone like me to win because I'm hitting it shorter than most of them and that puts me behind the eight-ball to start off with. But there's still a bunch of courses where I can compete at a very high level and maybe win one or two down the road.