

## BIOSTEEL CHAMPIONSHIP

### ROUND 4 QUOTES

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MICHAEL BRENNAN (-25)



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**Q. Mike, it's your first career win as a pro, breakthrough win, how's it feel?**

**MICHAEL BRENNAN:** It's incredible. Yeah, it really is incredible. It's something that we're all out here practicing for, to win tournaments and play well. It feels amazing.

**Q. You've been in the mix a lot through your first year and a half as a pro. To finally get it done here, just what does that do as you take the next step in your career and as you try to make it up to the Korn Ferry Tour and eventually the PGA TOUR?**

**MICHAEL BRENNAN:** Yeah, it's just a great confidence booster, it's something that I'll be able to look back on and remember in times of pressure and nerves and how I performed. So really just building confidence and hopefully I can kind of build off this the rest of my career.

**Q. Yesterday Dillon Stewart described you as a pro's pro and a lot of your fellow members look up to you out on the course. To be able to win and kind of see the support from them, what does that mean to you just as a player and as their peer?**

**MICHAEL BRENNAN:** Yeah, it's great. As a player, it's whatever, but I like being friends with a lot of the guys out here. I really enjoy the friendships that I've made. It's what makes traveling to these tournaments so fun, you run into friends every single week. It would be pretty boring I think otherwise. I'm very fortunate to have a lot of friends out here.

**Q. Leading up to this week, how close did you feel to getting to breaking through?**

**MICHAEL BRENNAN:** Yeah, I played really solid last week in Toronto, hit the ball good, showed some signs of good play. I knew that this golf course was going to suit me in the sense that I could hit a lot of drivers out here. Jeff and I were pretty excited for that, that we could hit driver on just about every single hole other than par 3s and the par -- 15, the short par 4. So that's something that kind of plays to our advantage I think a little bit.

Yeah, I've been playing solid, had just gotten off to a slow start and this week I didn't.

**Q. You haven't missed a beat this whole year. You have the longest consecutive streak of cuts made in PGA TOUR Americas history. With that consistency, how do you feel like your game shapes up to take it to the next level, eventually the Korn Ferry Tour and PGA TOUR?**



**MICHAEL BRENNAN:** Yeah, it's great to be consistent, it's great to make cuts and earn paychecks. We'll see. Yeah, we'll see.

**Q. Obviously Jeff has been on the bag with you for a while. You mentioned the support of your parents, your family leading up to this. What does their support mean to you?**

**MICHAEL BRENNAN:** It means everything. I mean, they're the reason that I play golf. Without them, I never would be playing. They support me 24/7/365. Like it's nonstop. I can always call them, call my brother, call my parents, ask for advice. And they'll give me advice when I don't want the advice but I know it all comes from love for me. It's very special, very special.

**Q. Did you talk to your parents and family at all before the tournament started on Thursday this week?**

**MICHAEL BRENNAN:** Yeah, I talk to them pretty much every day. My dad loves to hear my -- my mom and dad love to hear my post round like recaps basically, how things went. My dad, he is funny, he'll look up on Google Earth all the holes that we play and at the start of last year he would ask Jeff for pictures of like the yardage books and stuff and it would get really psycho, but now I think he just goes off Google Earth.

He always checks the weather, gives us a weather report in the morning, kind of temperature, wind direction, speed. I'm pretty sure that with the updates that he gets on the app, follows them as best he can. Sometimes I'll call him after a round, maybe I'll make a double, he'll try to guess how I made double based on the hole and wind direction, whatever, and he's usually pretty close to being good.

**Q. What's the celebration going to be like with your dad this week when you get back home, get to take some time off and really celebrate this?**

**MICHAEL BRENNAN:** Yeah, no, it's going to be amazing. My brother just finished up a great internship this past Friday so he's off this week and he's going to Kentucky for his senior year next week. It worked out perfect, he's got a week at home that we get to hang and spend a lot of time with, so definitely spend it with him, with my parents, with some friends back home. It will be great.

**Q. You had a four-shot lead down the stretch, pretty comfortable, you win by 5. How much were you able to enjoy it coming in, or were you not able to because it's No. 1?**

**MICHAEL BRENNAN:** Yeah, no, Jeff and I had fun. I think there were moments out there when we were laughing and he was busting jokes out there trying to keep me calm. We had a good time.



It's not -- it's a different kind of enjoyment being out there and being under the pressure. I love it and that's why I like to play this game for those moments, and it's great when you feel those nerves and able to perform, that's a really great feeling.

But we did have fun, we did have fun today. There were times when I would get frustrated and he would try to pull me back, but we had a great time.

**Q. What does this do for your confidence now going forward? Of all the close calls you've had, to finally get it done and to get that win, to nail it down, what does that do going forward?**

**MICHAEL BRENNAN:** Yeah, it's great, my golf coach, Adam (inaudible) and I talk about what it takes to win and he believes that winning is a -- yes, there's good golf, but you have to learn how to win. So it's kind of great to be able to get a check mark next to one of those. Some more learning experience and hopefully can do that in the future.

**Q. What do you think you learn from this?**

**MICHAEL BRENNAN:** Man, pretty soon to answer that. You know, I think I learned a lot from Toronto last year. I saw that I had a big lead and I kind of took the last couple holes for granted thinking I'm playing great golf, hitting it great, that's just going to kind of be automatic and that will continue no matter what. I lost a little focus, took my foot off the gas pedal for a second and in those high pressure situations it caught up to me really, really fast.

When I was out here coming down the stretch, I did not know what second place was. I figured I was playing decent and had a couple shot lead coming into today, so they would have had to have done something really special to catch me. But I really just tried to focus on staying present and hitting the shot at hand. I did much better, much better this go round than last year.

**Q. Just take me through that birdie on 18, just to seal the deal and have a moment like that.**

**MICHAEL BRENNAN:** Yeah, it was amazing. The wind was great off the right. I love when the wind is down off the right with my driver so I felt like I kind of just send it off the tee, hit a really nice tee ball. I drove it really solid all week. I got a little distracted over the wedge shot, it was very poor, but I hadn't made a long putt all week and Jeff and I kind of talked like, oh, we're due, we're due for the last couple days. It's funny that seemingly when it didn't really matter, that's when it goes in. It was great to see it go in. It was cool to share that moment rather than tapping in or something.

**Q. You're pretty calm and poised on the golf course, but that was the most emotion that we saw in the last two years from you on 18. Was it kind of two years built up released there?**



**MICHAEL BRENNAN:** Yeah, it's great. It's something that Jeff and I, we're sitting in hotel rooms every week saying this is going to be the week, we've got it this week, let's stick to our plan, stay focused and he started caddying for me late June of last year so it's been a little over a year now. We hadn't won, so it's great. It's cool to do it.

**Q. You're so appreciative of the opportunities, I guess, like to be through PGA TOUR U or the Americas membership that you gained. Is that kind of something that you maybe, the way you were raised I guess, but it seems like you're very, very opportunity driven? You speak very, very highly of being back here for a second year, which I don't think a lot of players would necessarily feel the same way. Where does that come from?**

**MICHAEL BRENNAN:** Yeah, definitely my parents. My faith as well. I try to show gratitude, and I have some really great people in my life that are able to kind of steer me in that direction I think because it's hard to do on yourself so I definitely lean into that, my family, friends and faith.

**Q. And then can you just speak on the opportunities that PGA TOUR U provided you in your senior year and now that you're a year and a half as a professional and you just got your first win?**

**MICHAEL BRENNAN:** Yeah, PGA TOUR U was a great opportunity for me in the sense that it was the first time I felt like I was working towards something in my career. Like I was trying to accumulate points and I had a list. It's different than just your junior ranking or your WAG or your amateur ranking. But knowing that each tournament has a pretty meaningful impact on where you go, you move up, you move down. That was a great experience for me because I did not handle it very well (inaudible) I was in a position at one point, I was sixth after one tournament like senior year and I felt like I was playing decent and I put a lot of pressure on myself, and now it's the same thing coming out here and you see the list every single week.

