

BMW Championship

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Caves Valley Golf Club

Marc Leishman

Quick Quotes

Q. This is your 13th FedExCup Playoffs, and you've only missed the BMW Championship once in that entire run. How have you managed to put together such a streak, and what does it mean to you?

MARC LEISHMAN: Yeah, I mean, it's good to obviously get here 12 out of 13 years. I think the one year I missed I was 71 or 72. It was frustrating. I guess I don't change too much. I know what works for me. Yeah, having the same caddie, same coach, same wife that whole time. Yeah, it's just a recipe that works for me and hope it keeps working.

Q. You won the BMW, albeit on a different course, but what kind of feelings do you get when you're driving in and you're on a banner?

MARC LEISHMAN: Yeah, it's always cool to come back to this tournament. I was saying yesterday, it's awesome looking at all the infrastructure and the 18th hole and knowing that I've been there and won it. Yes, at a different course, but it's run by the same organization. They set the courses up pretty similar.

Yeah, it's great to come back. Obviously very good memories at this tournament, and hoping to create some more good ones this week.

Q. First time at Caves Valley. You said you walked the course. What stands out to you? What do you think are the challenges? Where can you take advantage? What are your thoughts on the course?

MARC LEISHMAN: Yeah, I think the greens are going to be the challenge. They're very undulating -- well, the whole course is quite hilly. But the greens in particular, you're going to have to be hitting the fairways and then I think your iron game is going to have to be really good to get on the right levels to give yourself makeable birdie putts or somewhat easy two-putts. If you're on the wrong level, you're going to have some issues.

I've got a feeling there's going to be a pretty big spread between the winning score and the -- I think there's going



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to be some really low scores but some pretty high ones, as well.

Q. So you're picking Cam Smith to win because he said his iron play is great.

MARC LEISHMAN: He would be a good candidate for sure.

Q. With the bubble and top 30 TOUR Championship next week, does that change your mindset at all or your approach to this week?

MARC LEISHMAN: I know I have to play good this week to get in. Probably going to take a top 10. But you don't come to a tournament trying to get a top 10, you come here trying to leave with a BMW Championship trophy. I've left with it before, I know how it feels, and I'd love to do that again.

No, I come here playing to win. My game is in decent shape. I just need to make a few putts, and hopefully I can give myself that chance.

Q. Can you expand on that a little bit, coming off of Northern Trust, the state of your game?

MARC LEISHMAN: I actually played really well at Northern Trust, I just struggled reading the greens. When you're not committed, it's hard to make them. I had some of my best ball-striking I've had all year and finished I think close to 50th. It was a pretty sad week on the greens.

Yeah, my game is in good shape. I'm excited for this week and hoping for a big one.

Q. With the prestige of winning a FedExCup and the \$15 million, how often do you think about that, and are you able to ever block it out?

MARC LEISHMAN: Yeah, I mean, obviously only one person can win. I've been back outside the top 20 for most of the year, so yeah, it does enter your mind that you're a chance to win it, but you've got work to do every week, so I think it's easy to block it out, just concentrate on playing good golf.

Q. Have you thought about what you would do with



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the \$15 million if you were to win?

MARC LEISHMAN: \$15 million is a lot of money. No, not really. I haven't got that far ahead of myself. Maybe a new brewery. We'll see.

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