

# Arnold Palmer Invitational

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Bay Hill Club and Lodge

## Bryson DeChambeau

### Quick Quotes



**Q. It just seemed to be a lot of joy on 6 tee. Was that the most fun you had on the course in a while?**

BRYSON DECHAMBEAU: Oh, man, I felt like a kid again, for sure. It was exciting. Especially when you pull it off and you know -- it was almost like winning a tournament. I don't know. It's kind of the feeling I had, it was like, Oh, I did it. I got the same chills and feeling when I saw it clear and there was no splash, it was like, Yes. I gave the fans what they wanted.

**Q. Did you ever consider going further left?**

BRYSON DECHAMBEAU: Absolutely. If it's downwind pumping pretty good and the pin's in a good location to do that I can definitely see myself going for the green or even closer to the green, trying to hit it in that greenside bunker.

**Q. Any extra nerves walking to the tee, like I got to hit this one solid?**

BRYSON DECHAMBEAU: Oh, yeah, definitely. Nerves like 18th tee, you got a one-shot lead, for sure.

**Q. Did you do that for the fans?**

BRYSON DECHAMBEAU: It was a complete reaction. I mean -- oh, you're talking about for the extra --

**Q. (No Microphone.)**

BRYSON DECHAMBEAU: I would have done it had the fans not been there.

**Q. But it wasn't them urging you on?**

BRYSON DECHAMBEAU: Yes and no, but for the most part that's a shot that I know I can do and I was able to accomplish that. I would have done it without the fans, but the fans definitely edged me on a little bit and I was, it was fun to give them what they wanted.

**Q. Also the fans, just how they reacted.**

BRYSON DECHAMBEAU: Oh, it was amazing. It felt like I won a tournament there. At the end of the day, I still had to make birdie, barely made birdie and not an easy shot to that pin and I was still able to play golf, good golf today and execute and play well.

**Q. What's the exact carry to the green? Because I think your drive today carried like 346.7 or something.**

BRYSON DECHAMBEAU: It's like 335. It would have gotten there.

**Q. And then also what's the funniest thing you've heard from the fans these last three or four days? I heard someone today that said they had some filets for you or something.**

BRYSON DECHAMBEAU: They said, You got to eat more rib-eyes or something like that, and I was like, No, I like filets, my man.

**Q. What club do you get left with there? What did you hit in?**

BRYSON DECHAMBEAU: I had 50 yards to the front edge and I hit a little 58 degree. I was trying to chip it to the front edge and that's what I did, it just didn't roll out to the front edge of the green and I was able to do the lift, clean and place thing, which helped me get a better angle and I was able to 2-putt.

**Q. (No Microphone.)**

BRYSON DECHAMBEAU: With that driver setup, yes. Yeah. A little bit different of a driver setup with a stiffer shaft and a lighter head. That would have been over 200 ball speed, no problem. With that type of energy into it.

**Q. (No Microphone.)**

BRYSON DECHAMBEAU: Yes. Yes.

**Q. (No Microphone.)**



BRYSON DECHAMBEAU: I don't know, I mean, I'm just trying to accomplish winning tournaments. I don't really care too much about what people think, it's just about if I can do it and, look, if I fail, I'm going to work my hardest to figure out why I failed. So whether the skeptics are proved wrong, I'm not worried about it. I appreciate the skeptics, those are, that actually makes me think more about, is this actually right and makes me go down the rabbit hole even deeper.

**Q. You revere Mr. Palmer, I'm sure you got a couple nice letters from him when you won the U.S. Amateur and things like that. What would it mean tomorrow to pull it off and win his golf tournament?**

BRYSON DECHAMBEAU: It would mean everything to me I remember when I won the DAP Championship on the Korn Ferry TOUR, one of those finals events, he wrote me a letter, I think it was like a week before he passed away. So he was still writing letters up to a week before he passed away to all the players that are winning tournaments out here.

So I thought that was pretty special and it definitely shows how amazing was, he is and was as an individual, and to win his tournament would mean the world to me.

**Q. Where do you keep that letter now?**

BRYSON DECHAMBEAU: That's in my office tucked away. It's right up next to the trophy the WEB.COM, the Korn Ferry TOUR event win, DAP Championship.

**Q. (No Microphone.)**

BRYSON DECHAMBEAU: Absolutely. That's what I did on 6.

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