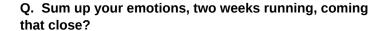
## **BMW PGA Championship**

Sunday, 22 September, 2024 Virginia Water, Surrey, England Wentworth Golf Club

## **Rory McIlroy**

**Quick Quotes** 



RORY McILROY: Yeah, I mean, you know, last week was a tough one. This one -- but I left there with my head held high with the way I played the last hole trying to make three, and then yeah, I mean, played the playoff holes perfectly, really, a couple of birdies.

But it just shows the standard out here. If you slip up just a little bit or don't make a birdie on a crucial hole, someone is always waiting to take advantage of that and look, I had my chance in regulation. Had a really awkward yardage for my second. Tried to turn a 4-iron over. I mean, I was lucky that it didn't go in the water. Still got up-and-down to win in regulation but I was pretty lucky the ball stayed up and I could make par and get into the playoff.

Two weeks in a row, I've played well. Just not quite well enough. But you know, happy with where my game is and happy where it's trending. I've got a week off here, and then get back at it in the Dunhill in a couple weeks.

## Q. The second shot into the last, in between clubs.

RORY McILROY: Yeah, I was hitting at the right bunker trying to turn it over a little bit and get a little extra out of it. I just overdid it and it sort of pitched level with the front edge of the green but obviously left of the hazard which again is a bonus. It was almost -- because 5-wood was too much. You didn't want to go long to that pin so it was either 4-iron and lay it up and try to hit a wedge in like what Billy did.

But when you're only 225 yards to the front of the green, you sort of feel like you have to go for it. Yeah, just one of those things. But played the two playoff holes really well and especially the 4-iron I hit into the green on the second playoff hole was great. Hit a good putt that just slipped by on the right and Billy made his and that was the difference.

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