

# The G4D Open

Press Conference

Saturday, 17 May 2025

**Richard Kluwen**

# THE G4D

OPEN

Q How well did you play today is this? How happy were you with your performance for the whole week?

RICHARD KLUWEN: It's funny, the first nine is more difficult than the second nine, for me, and today, I played a marvellous second nine. That's my lucky break, I think, for the win. It's a difficult course so you have to keep it together. But I managed to do that, so I'm happy.

Q And I'm going to ask you a bonus question about your caddie, as well. How good was your caddie today in helping you this week?

RICHARD KLUWEN: It's always one of the persons who can really help me. I'm sometimes a difficult person when I'm not in the flow, then I have a little letdown, and she managed to get me out of the letdown for the second nine. So it was perfect. We have a perfect, perfect combination. So I'm so happy with her.

Q And so what's her name and will you use her maybe at another Open?

RICHARD KLUWEN: I don't know if I pronounce her last name correctly, Sue Kaley. I would love to take her to the European Championship in end of August in Sweden but it should be a holiday for both of them to come to Sweden of August nearby. When you have a good caddie, when you have a click with your caddie, it can be a bonus. That's really marvellous.

Q How proud are you to win for yourself and your family and your country?

RICHARD KLUWEN: I was asked to come here again for the second time and I was very anxious and nervous because I knew that the course and organization is perfect. You feel like a star. And so I knew it beforehand, and that was exciting to come here. You want to play well. You practise a lot and then my play was okay, and yeah, now you win on this tournament, on this golf course with this organization, I'm very happy to represent my country and have a win. I'm happyyyy.

Q What reception have you had from Woburn and the

members and volunteers has it been a good experience?

RICHARD KLUWEN: It's unbelievable that all of the volunteers were present here. They are standing on the course for three hours and they are all smiling, every time and I greet them. That's the feeling you are welcome and that's a very nice feeling.

Q And one final question. After such a great day and you've won in the sunshine, how good is golf, do you think, for people with a disability?

RICHARD KLUWEN: I think especially for my example, everyone can play golf. Paragolfer, you can have whatever you need.

But with no matter what disability you have, golf is the ultimate sport to play, golf. It's fun. It's lovely for your body. It's lovely for your mind. The only problem with golf is it's an addiction. It's maybe a healthy addiction, according to my wife, it's not a healthy addiction, but okay.

Q And you're a seated player, obviously. So how about is it for your physical well-being and your mental well-being?

RICHARD KLUWEN: I can honestly say golf saved my life. When I got ill, I've got MS, mull I believe it sclerosis and I start playing golf, and my mindset became at ease, for my body, the practising, the playing of golf is for a body, perfect. You are busy. You have a sport you can do. You have a goal, a new goal. All those things are also mentally very helpful to accept your disability and feel without a disability. That's the beautiful thing of golf.

FastScripts by ASAP Sports