

Genesis Scottish Open

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North Berwick, Scotland

The Renaissance Club

Chris Gotterup

Quick Quotes

Q. Biggest win of your career, for a guy who has played so little links golf to take down this decorated field including Rory McIlroy, what are you most impressed with from yourself this week?

CHRIS GOTTERUP: I just hung in there tight and tried to keep it together. After my start this week, really just struggled, and then I found something on Friday. Today, I knew it was going to be a grind and yesterday was a grind, too.

Hitting it in the bunker on the first hole, I'm like, oh, sh-t, here we go. Held it together really well and then it was so much fun out there.

Q. We could hear the emotion in your voice; why?

CHRIS GOTTERUP: (Fighting back tears) give me a sec. I don't know if I'm going to be able to get it out but everyone at home, I don't know, but I mean, this is awesome. I'm not going to be able to keep it together.

Q. You've learned this moment.

CHRIS GOTTERUP: Yeah, it's awesome. I can't wait to see everyone and then I'm playing The Open next week.

Q. You've earned your invitation and you can cancel the flight back to California. Take me back to the course on 16. You said last night, that one was going to be important and you made it when it mattered most. What was going through your mind after you made that birdie and led by two?

CHRIS GOTTERUP: I thought about those interviews and I said, here we go, like this is it. Putting it right in the center. All right, let's hit good iron shots and tee balls. Man, I really, really hung in there well today.

Q. We can see the emotions are high, your first Rolex Series title comes here at the Home of Golf in a stacked field, our Genesis Scottish Open Champion. How are you feeling right now?



CHRIS GOTTERUP: Amazing. It's all hitting me. It's just so cool. I played really well this week, and I knew today was going to be tough. I hung in there like a champ and finished it off in style.

Q. Certainly did hang in there. You had a two-shot lead coming into an incredibly tough finishing stretch at the Renaissance Club with one of the best to ever play this game breathing down your neck. How were your nerves? How were you handling that moment? How did you do that?

CHRIS GOTTERUP: I mean, I felt pretty good shockingly on the first tee today. I felt comfortable and I knew I was playing well this week and I felt like I was ready for the challenge.

Yeah, I mean, like I said yesterday, that's why I practise and that's why I play, to play against the best.

It was a pleasure to be out there with them.

Q. We know how tough it is to win out here, this field, the best in the world turned up. What's behind this emotion and what's coming out in these tears right now that's allowed you to get it across the line today?

CHRIS GOTTERUP: Yeah, thanks for getting me to cry again. I mean, it's just so much hard work. So much up-and-down. After what happened last year, didn't know what was coming next. I've really been in good form here a lately and I just know everyone at home is watching.

Q. You've got yourself a ticket to Royal Portrush, The Open awaits. What confidence do you take forward to Northern Ireland and the rest of the season?

CHRIS GOTTERUP: I was a one-time champion. Two-time champ sounds a lot better. I know what I'm capable of and I know when I feel the way I did today, I can beat the best. It's just awesome.

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