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Alex Cejka

Quick Quotes

Q. You've beaten a world-class field on this classic links course in brutal conditions to be crowned Senior Open champion for 2023. How special is this moment?

ALEX CEJKA: I still can't believe it. It's been a really tough week. It's been a really tough two days. I can't believe I'm standing with the trophy here. Seeing all those great names on the trophy, coming in here with all the pictures and everything, all the guys who won it before me, now holding it myself, it's surreal.

Q. Describe what you were thinking and feeling over the closing nine holes, Pádraig chasing you down in brutal conditions to try and close out a major.

ALEX CEJKA: Yeah, we were still tight. There's a couple guys two or three shots after us, but you know, I tried to make good shots but it's almost impossible to make golf shots in conditions like this. In the end, I lost it a little bit. I didn't really make good shots coming in, but I made some beautiful par saves.

You know, I didn't want a playoff, especially against Pádraig, but I'm glad it's over and I'm just super happy.

Q. How will you celebrate this victory?

ALEX CEJKA: I don't know, I'm not a drinker but I'm probably going to fill it up with something when I get home. I'm going to share this with the whole family.

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