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The Grange

Fireballs GC

Sergio Garcia

Abraham Ancer

David Puig

Luis Masaveu

Press Conference

THE MODERATOR: We are joined by our team champions for LIV Golf Adelaide 2025, Fireballs GC. We are joined by new member of the team Luis Masaveu, Abraham Ancer, our captain Sergio Garcia, and David Puig.

Sergio, I'll start with you. Fireballs, 21-under today. This course had been playing brutal all week. There's been very, very small margins. You guys somehow managed in terms of this course to run away with it, six ahead of Legion XIII. How did you pull this off today?

SERGIO GARCIA: Well, a lot of good golf. It's simple as that, I guess. Like you said, it is a challenging course, playing as firm as it was playing and with the wind we had all week.

But I think we gelled nicely between all four of us. We were all -- Luis and I would have loved to have played a little bit better the first couple of days, but we kept it together maybe on the rounds that we didn't feel quite as good.

At the end of the day, with four scores counting every day, the margins are a lot smaller so you have to fight really, really hard and make sure that you don't let yourself go because one little slip here and there, it can change the whole week.

Super proud of my guys. They're unbelievable. It's great to be with them, spend time with them. Obviously we rented a house this week like we've done the last couple of years, and the atmosphere within the team is just amazing. The fun we have, the quality of guys that I have in my team, not only as players but as people, as human beings, it's unbelievable, and that's one of the things I'm most

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proud about.

Q. You guys went swimming with the dolphins on Monday. Is this going to be a new ritual since you guys won?

ABRAHAM ANCER: Sure, absolutely, if you're going to win after that every time, we'll go swim with the dolphins for sure.

Q. Abe, you made it on to the podium, you had an incredible week. Tell us about the team win; does it soften the blow a little bit from not tying up that individual win?

ABRAHAM ANCER: Yeah, no, it definitely was a fight. Extremely proud of what we did as a team, obviously, and individually it was a great week. Obviously the last two holes were rough to finish with bogey-bogey, having a chance to win the tournament. It's always tough, but I think it's just fuel for the rest of the season. I feel like my game is trending in the right direction. I like where things are headed.

I felt good out there. Just things didn't go my way this time, which is fine, and it happens a lot in golf.

But yeah, it was a great week. We had a lot of fun outside of the golf course, as well. The crowds were incredible. This tournament is insane. I love coming to Australia. It always has a really special place in my heart.

Like I said, tough way to finish, but great week overall for sure.

Q. David, you're like Mr. Sunday over here. You shot 5-under today to finish fourth, 9-under for the tournament, only one shot behind your teammate over there. Tell us about your week and today's round in particular.

DAVID PUIG: Yeah, another good week for me. I think I fought pretty good today. I didn't start the way I wanted, but the last 10, 11 holes were very good, so super happy about that, and I think the team just, as they mentioned, they did great.

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Great atmosphere outside the golf course, and I think we all fought very hard, and we got the job done, which is great.

Q. Luis, welcome to LIV. You just had your first podium experience in front of 30,000 fans. What was that like?

LUIS MASAVEU: Yeah, it's awesome. It's been an incredible week, being able to stay in a house with this team. It's been a great atmosphere, as well, out at the course. The crowd was just -- it was an awesome week.

For me, I didn't play as good as they did, but I was able to fight. It was hard this week, but yeah, very happy for what the team did.

Q. How does it feel playing on a team and you're out there not just fighting for yourself on Sunday; your score counts today so it matters for you guys to win. Do you have a different mindset going out on a Sunday then?

LUIS MASAVEU: Yeah, I think it actually helps because I know I need to perform well. Today I didn't start very well, but I just kept fighting. I knew I needed to make birdies to get that win. So yeah, it definitely helped me.

Q. How has your experience been so far having a captain like Sergio mentoring you out here?

LUIS MASAVEU: Yeah, it's been awesome. I don't really know how to describe it. He even teaches me how to play poker.

Yeah, it's been awesome.

Q. Going back to staying in the same house, was there a moment that produced the most laughs this week?

SERGIO GARCIA: Well, like Luis was saying, we've been having some little -- a couple poker nights here and there. He's a quick learner.

We've had some really good moments. We had a really nice chef, Australian guy, that has been taking great care of us, too, making us some delicious food, making sure that we're fueled, fully fueled for the week.

But overall it's just a beautiful house. It's by the beach, and it's very relaxed. We're just able to spend a lot of time together, enjoy each other, kind of cheer each other on, and it's been a really fun week.

Q. Luis, did you have to get any champagne

celebration tips from any of the guys?

LUIS MASAVEU: Yeah, I asked what I needed to do because it was the first time. But I think I did it all right.

SERGIO GARCIA: Quick learner.

Q. This goes back to the entire team history. You're the only team to have won at least one team title in each of the first four years of LIV. You've won on four different continents now. What does that say about the team, its consistency, your ability to adapt to different courses and environments?

SERGIO GARCIA: Well, I think it speaks for the quality of the players that we have in the Fireballs team. Like you said, obviously super proud to be able to achieve that, win in every single season. It's something that is not easy. A lot of great teams, and every year they seem to get stronger and stronger, but we do, too.

It's a very proud moment, but that's not where we want to stop. We want to keep getting better and better. I think that we can all improve for sure.

I think the sky is the limit for this team, so I'm very, very proud of them.

Q. Abe, was there a time out there when you saw that the team was comfortably ahead and you could really concentrate on maybe the individual goal, or how were you looking at the leaderboard in terms of your standing and the team's standing?

ABRAHAM ANCER: Yeah, I like watching leaderboards. I like to know where we're at and where I am individually, as well. I just knew the quality of players that are out here, so I knew I needed to make some birdies coming in.

Like I said, I played well. I saw that coming into the last four or five holes we had a comfortable lead, but with four scores counting, that changes very quickly so you can't relax and feel like it's a done deal. Until you're done and you're on the podium it's a done deal.

I had my blinders on. I tried obviously my best to come in with some birdies. It didn't go my way there on the last two holes, like I mentioned, but it was really cool to see that on a golf course this tough, we had a comfortable lead coming in down the stretch, which was really cool to see.

Q. Fired up for Hong Kong?

ABRAHAM ANCER: Yeah, I've got a lot of fuel on this back nine for Hong Kong, yeah.

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