

Charles Schwab Challenge

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Colonial CC

Tom Hoge

Quick Quotes

Q. No. 8 in the FedExCup with a win and a runner-up this season. Can you talk a little bit about the success so far this year?

TOM HOGE: Yeah, I've been playing well. It's been a lot of fun to get out there, just try to keep this run going as long as I can. I felt like I put in some good work kind of in our break there between Thanksgiving and Christmas, so I was excited to get back and have that win right away in the second, and then just tried to ride that as long as I can here.

To get some momentum now coming into Colonial, my hometown tournament that I've always wanted to play well here, it's exciting, and happy to get back out here and tee it up this week.

Q. A couple of months before the playoffs, what are your goals down this stretch of a couple months leading into the FedExCup playoffs?

TOM HOGE: Yeah, I mean, my main goal has been to make it to East Lake and make it to the TOUR Championship for the first time, so I've been trying to keep pushing for that. But it'll be cool to play my first British Open at St. Andrews this summer, some other big events that I'm really looking forward to, so it'll be a fun summer.

Q. You played at TCU; talk a little bit about this event and what the city means to you.

TOM HOGE: Yeah, it's been really cool. This is my eighth year on TOUR, but I went to TCU, came out here, watched the tournament when I was in college and everything right next door here. A lot of good memories here. A lot of good memories of Colonial playing at TCU. We'd come out here and practice on Wednesdays so it was always fun.

Just being able to play here, sleep in your own bed for a tournament week is pretty cool. I have a lot of friends and family that come out, a lot of TCU people. It's cool to see everybody this week. Hopefully I can play well. I haven't played as well as I would have liked to in this tournament



so far, so hopefully I can do that this week.

Q. What makes this course so challenging not just for you but for everybody as a whole?

TOM HOGE: I just think it's a hard golf course to really get momentum going and shoot a low score on. You can shoot 2- or 3-under I'd say fairly easily, but it's just hard to make a lot of birdies and shoot that 7-, 8-under par round that you see at other golf courses.

You've got to hit the ball really well to get it in these fairways. The rough is tough to score from, so you've got to be in the fairway, and then you have a little bit of a chance.

Q. You hit the clubs today; talk us through a little bit about that experience and how much maybe of an appreciation it gives you for the technological advances in the game.

TOM HOGE: Yeah, for sure. I've been fortunate to hit a few of Hogan's clubs before here at Shady Oaks and here at Colonial. But kind of going through the full bag, see the clubs that he experimented with in the past, super lightweight, different hybrids, different metals, that sort of stuff, he really tried it all in his years playing. Just to get a feel for what the clubs were like and how far technology has come in this game. It's crazy to look down at some of these clubs and think that you've got to hit some low shots under pressure like you did. The 1-iron sticks out, just such a small margin for error on those clubs.

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