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Keegan Bradley

Quick Quotes

Q. Nice way to finish it off there. How would you assess the day?

KEEGAN BRADLEY: Really nice. Basically a U.S. Open we're playing. But I played really great. It seems like we're playing really hard courses every week, so it's more of the norm for these elevated events. So it was a great day.

Q. Do you like that kind of as we get closer to majors to play a tough golf course like this?

KEEGAN BRADLEY: Yeah, it's tough. I mean, we don't have much of a break ever. Like, normally it's pretty tough every week. Basically I'm going to be playing back-to-back U.S. Opens here, but the course is very fair, setup nice, just a tough test.

Q. What do you feel like you did best today?

KEEGAN BRADLEY: I hit the ball really well. I hit a lot of fairways, hit a lot of greens. You have to hit the fairways out here. The fairways are actually pretty generous, but you have to hit 'em or you're chipping out. So I did a good job of that today.

Q. Your game's been trending in a nice direction over the last little while. What do you attribute that to?

KEEGAN BRADLEY: I got great coaches, I got a great team, I've got an unbelievable caddie. I just have like incredible people around me, Darren May, Dr. Mo, Phil Kenyon, Scotty Vail, and hard work and believing in myself. But I put a lot of work in to this and it feels good.

Q. I bet you can't wait to get to Hartford?

KEEGAN BRADLEY: Yeah, yeah (laughing). Yeah, I was thinking today on the golf course, like, it's going to be fun to play Hartford after this week and U.S. Open, yeah.

Q. When is the last time you were at Oakmont?



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KEEGAN BRADLEY: The U.S. Open.

Q. Just for -- there's no reason to go punish yourself?

KEEGAN BRADLEY: Yeah, I was going to go, and then I decided against it because it's, like -- it's just going to be so brutal and the course is actually very straightforward. From what I remember, it's hit driver as straight as you can and try to hit every green and try to make some putts. I don't know, there's not much of a mystery to it.

Q. What's the problem there?

KEEGAN BRADLEY: I don't know. It's going to take a lot, a lot, a lot, a lot of good shots.

Q. Do you remember in 2007 Phil, when he used to do his 8-hour practice round, but he injured his wrist? Do you remember that?

KEEGAN BRADLEY: I do remember that. I know a few guys went earlier this week and they said it was -- the rough was, like, insane, like deep. And then of course, leading up to a U.S. Open we always see the videos on Instagram of them dropping the ball and you can't see it. But the USGA's done a really good job the last few years of making it a nice tournament. I expect them to do that again.

Q. Did you have to chip out today?

KEEGAN BRADLEY: Yes, I did chip out on 17. I hit a lot of fairways, and then I hit it into a couple fairway bunkers, which is way better. In majors, generally you want to try to miss in fairway bunkers because at least you can advance the ball.

Q. Some of those holes that if you miss, and you say 17, you can say the same of 6, you have to I guess with water in front of the greens, can you get to greens out of the rough if there was no hazards?

KEEGAN BRADLEY: No. No chance.

Q. So you just got to --



KEEGAN BRADLEY: Yeah, you know standing on most every tee that if you miss the fairway you're laying up in some way. To the left of 15th par-5 the rough is sparse, but you're laying up anyway. The rough is extra thick.

Q. One of the lines in the TOUR Championship redo about making it closer to par. Did that, does that concern you at all, because what we see when the U.S. Open tries to get it to par sometimes they can screw it up?

KEEGAN BRADLEY: Yeah, I think that's really silly. Any time you have a tournament around par you have to really trick it up. I think the PGA of America does a good job at the PGA. I think 6- to 8-under is a great score for a major. You had Scottie -- sometimes you have a generational player go out and do what he did and win by five or six and shoot 10- or 11-. I think if the player does that, that's what the score should be. But I think the perfect score for a major is 4- to 8- somewhere in there. I think when you, you know, make it -- I mean, if it's deep rough and it's chip out and like the greens are fair, I can see that, but I really think the right number is 4- to 6- to 8- somewhere in there.

Q. Or if it's really fast that week it's going to come down anyway.

KEEGAN BRADLEY: Yeah, I think it's really difficult to make the course fair and keep it at even par, but on a course like Oakmont that could be different because I personally I think it's the hardest course in the world.

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