

BMW Championship

Saturday, August 28, 2021

Owings Mills, Maryland, USA

Caves Valley Golf Club

Sam Burns

Quick Quotes

Q. Sam, tell me about the last hole there and getting that birdie.

SAM BURNS: Yeah, hit a good tee shot and then couldn't figure out what the wind was doing. It was kind of helping off the right, and we needed a little bit of help and it ended up feeling like it was in off the right. We were trying to get something short of that hole just to have an uphill putt just because it doesn't feed all the way back to that hole, and that putt is really fast. Trying to play something around the front edge.

Came up a couple short and rolled back but it was fine right there, kind of right back at us. Travis even said, "This is a makable one," and somehow it went in.

Q. Overall just how do you feel about today's round?

SAM BURNS: Played solid. Kind of had a lull in the round, just missed a couple short ones on -- had a really tough seven-footer on 10 and then not a great putt on 12. So I'd like to pick up a couple more on those, but overall a solid day. I finished pretty good.

Q. Making the TOUR Championship, some people judge their year by that. What is your mindset going into tomorrow?

SAM BURNS: I think most importantly for us, we're going into tomorrow focusing on this week. There's still a lot of golf left to play, still have 18 holes here. So going to try to put a low one out there and chase these guys down. They're playing really well so it's going to be hard to catch them. But yeah, I think if we play well tomorrow we'll have a good chance going into next week given the staggered leaderboard to start.

Obviously the closer to the lead you start to that 10-under number, the probability is higher, so that's the goal.

Q. Now that you told me you don't like looking ahead, here's a Ryder Cup question. People are starting to say your name more and more. How does that feel?



BMW
CHAMPIONSHIP

SAM BURNS: A mean, a lot of it's out of my control. I don't think I have a chance to qualify for the top six. The only thing I can really do to go play golf, and if Captain Stricker wants to give me an opportunity, I would do anything to be on that team. We'll see what happens.

Q. How do you feel about this kind of golf where everybody has to take it really deep?

SAM BURNS: I don't know. You could just -- you have to go -- just exactly like you said. I think a guy like Bryson is hard to beat around this golf course just because the closer -- it's soft. The closer you get it up there, the better. Try to go put a good one out there tomorrow and see what happens.

Q. What would be a good balance for the Playoffs versus like gettability and making a lot of birdies and testing you guys in some ways? Is there a balance there?

SAM BURNS: Yeah, I don't know. I know next week is always in good condition, really good greens. A lot of it's so weather dependent. It's hard to get -- you can't really get a place in the midwest, northeast, firm and fast this time of year with bentgrass. It can't handle it. I think the golf course is in great condition. The greens are nice, fairways are good. It's good, a good track.

FastScripts by ASAP Sports

