

RBC Heritage

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Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, USA

Harbour Town Golf Links

Michael Brennan

Quick Quotes

Q. Nice start to the week, 65. What was clicking for you today?

MICHAEL BRENNAN: Yeah, I hit a few good irons in there and felt really solid with the putter, converted a lot of my looks, which is huge. Kind of big for momentum, keep things going.

I kept the ball in play, which is pretty important out here, other than 10 I guess I hit in the water.

Other than that, I was never really blocked out by any trees and was kind of able to take advantage of some of those good shots from the fairway.

Q. Is this a course where you can hit some unique shots that you're not used to hitting on a week-by-week basis on TOUR?

MICHAEL BRENNAN: Yeah, you see some par-3s with trees or even par-4s that are overhanging significant parts of the green, which is really unique, so you're kind of hitting cuts and draws into greens to avoid clipping trees from the middle of the fairway. That's pretty unique. You don't see that almost anywhere else.

The 15th hole, the par-5, you're kind of hoisting a second shot up and over the trees. You've got a big pine tree on the right that can get into play.

Definitely it's a little more -- you need a little more control with the irons and a little more shot shaping, not only for the slopes on the greens but to avoid hitting trees.

Q. Is there any shot that comes to mind today that was particularly creative or comes back to your mind now as just a cool shot that you hit?

MICHAEL BRENNAN: Yeah, I liked the shot that I hit into the second par-3 on the front, 7 or 8. Just kind of a little cut, because again, there was a big tree short right of that green that covers a lot of the green. So you just kind of have to work around it a little bit, and hit a nice shot in



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there and was able to convert.

Q. What did you think you might have shot after the way you were warming up?

MICHAEL BRENNAN: I don't know. I would have liked to have think I would have been scrappy and gotten up-and-down a lot. But it wouldn't have been 65.

Q. Was there a moment once the round got going where you felt, okay, maybe I've got something here, or did you find something?

MICHAEL BRENNAN: Yeah. It was nice to finish the front nine with a couple birdies. I hit a few good tee balls, put the ball in play, nice up-and-down on the par-5, the second one.

I don't know, I would say maybe that par-3, 7, I believe, I hit a 7-iron in there to about five feet and then made it, six feet.

Q. What did you learn about yourself last week at the Masters?

MICHAEL BRENNAN: The Masters, it was incredible. It was a grind. It was way more stressful than I thought it was going to be. I was really just looking forward to the event and to the moment. The fans, the patrons were incredible. But it's a punishing golf course, and it's challenging. You get off a little bit into some of those greens, you can just get in really, really bad spots.

Just trying to take some of that focus, I thought, that was pretty good last week and carry it into this week.

Q. Did you grab any souvenirs?

MICHAEL BRENNAN: I got a belt, I got a wallet and a couple hats.

Q. What do you think you'll remember most from last week?

MICHAEL BRENNAN: I had a lot of friends and family come out that week and probably just hanging out with



them in the evenings. That was really fun.

Q. Do you still feel like -- you had such a unique whirlwind last fall of kind of bypassing KFT. Do you still feel like you're new on TOUR or that you've gotten into a rhythm and you feel pretty comfortable?

MICHAEL BRENNAN: Yeah, I still feel like I'm learning things and on the newer side. I feel like every week I'm just trying to get a little bit more comfortable being out here.

Today I did feel comfortable. Not only did I play well, which definitely does help, but just kind of wasn't hitting it great on the range, but I was almost okay with it. I was like, all right, we'll see what we've got. I felt like that attitude really helped out today.

Q. If you were to grade your, I guess, confidence or happiness with your range session 1 to 10, what would you have said?

MICHAEL BRENNAN: 3.

Q. I know you talked about it over there --

MICHAEL BRENNAN: Yeah, I just wasn't hitting it great. Body didn't feel great. Contact wasn't good. My speed wasn't there. I hit on the TrackMan so I can see -- I kind of have benchmarks that I'm looking for with 9-iron, 7-iron, just to kind of see where I'm at for the day, and I was low. Just nothing was really feeling great.

Q. You're too young for the body not to feel great.

MICHAEL BRENNAN: Yeah, we play a lot of golf. Hopefully it's -- it started feeling better. Just kind of getting warmed up, get walking out there and get back into it. You kind of snap out of it a little bit.

Q. You said you didn't remember specifics of the course, how it was when you played in the Junior Heritage, but anything that you do remember from being here this week and dreaming that maybe you'd get to play on the PGA TOUR one day?

MICHAEL BRENNAN: Yeah, I remember being tight. I remember 18 being really, really cool. The par-3 on the front, 7, I think, I just remember the trees overhanging and that being a wild-looking hole because it's something you don't normally see. But really come up 18, it's just such a cool finishing hole.

Q. How many drivers did you hit today?

MICHAEL BRENNAN: I'd have to go through to be exact, but probably four or five. Not a ton. A couple 3-woods, a 3-iron, a 4-iron. Probably five, six drivers.

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