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Oakmont Country Club

Sam Burns

Flash Interview



Q. How difficult was it out there?

SAM BURNS: It's tough. The conditions were extremely difficult. I didn't have my best stuff today. Yeah, it was really difficult.

Q. On 15, the ruling, can you go through what you saw?

SAM BURNS: Yeah, that fairway slopes left to right. That's kind of the low part of the fairway there. When I walked into it, clearly you could see water coming up. Took practice swings and it's just water splashing every single time. Called a rules official over, they disagreed. I looked at it again. I thought maybe I should get a second opinion. That rules official also disagreed.

At the end of the day, it's not up to me, it's up to the rules official. That's kind of that.

Q. It seemed like you didn't have it after the delay, is it mentally hard to get back into it?

SAM BURNS: Not really. It's a tough golf course, and I didn't have my best stuff, and clearly it showed.

Q. What did you do during the delay to try to stay locked in?

SAM BURNS: Grabbed a little food. Didn't seem that long of a delay. By the time we got back here and then back out to the range, so it wasn't too bad.

Q. How do you reset yourself? You asked for a ruling twice. We all saw it. How do you prepare then to hit that shot?

SAM BURNS: From that point, Travis and I said, Look let's focus on the shot, try to execute. I did the best I could. I was 100 percent locked in on what I was trying to do. Ultimately, it felt like the water just kind of got in the way, and I went left. It is what it is.

Q. The fairway on 12, was that another, just like a

weird break?

SAM BURNS: Yeah, similar thing. Look, it's part of it. Everybody's got to deal with it. I'm extremely proud of the way I fought out there today. Overall it was a great week.

It's cool to have my son here on Father's Day, and it was a blast.

Q. On 14 were you in a divot there in the fairway?

SAM BURNS: I was, yeah.

Q. Did you feel like nothing, you couldn't catch a break?

SAM BURNS: Yeah, that's part of it. I was in a divot on 11 as well. It's part of it. It happens. You play enough golf, you hit it in divots, and everybody does.

Q. You seem emotionally to be okay.

SAM BURNS: Yeah, look, I went out there and gave it the best I had. Golf's a hard game, especially on this golf course. At the end of the day, I can hold my head high.

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