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Grady Brame, Jr.

Press Conference

Q. I'll just start out with what does it mean to be a United States Golf Association champion?

LAWRENCE ALLAN: I didn't even think about that. This is my first USGA event. This is like we said over there, it's surreal. It means everything. This is the reason we practice. We want to come to the biggest events and execute when it means the most.

I can't quite believe we did it, to be honest.

GRADY BRAME JR: Yeah.

Q. Grady, your dad played a lot of USGA championships, 23.

GRADY BRAME JR: Uh-huh.

Q. What does it mean not only for you but for your family to say that now you're a national champion?

GRADY BRAME JR: Yeah, well, he does like to bring it up that his tally is 23. I'm currently at three. But I'm trying to go back and count the number of times that he's won a USGA event and I don't think that he has, and so I would say that he can have his 23; I'll have my one win.

Q. You'll take it. The number one is a little better than 23.

GRADY BRAME JR: Yeah.

Q. It's a smaller number, but it's a bigger number in this case.

GRADY BRAME JR: That's right.

Q. Talk about you guys' play this afternoon. First of all, this morning you had to go 22 holes. You guys have gone extra holes in three of your five matches. What was the energy level as you have to come back



out basically 45 minute after you finish?

LAWRENCE ALLAN: I'm working with a good partner because he seemed to birdie every extra hole we played, so I wouldn't be here without him.

GRADY BRAME JR: Yeah, it was funny, literally all week long we always referred to the partner who playing bad as an anchor, and if I was being an anchor he came in and had three or four birdies straight, then vice versa.

It was incredible that it just continued to happen that way.

Q. Yeah.

GRADY BRAME JR: We never really both played great at one time. Just always we brother-in-lawed really well.

LAWRENCE ALLAN: Just hate making it easy.

GRADY BRAME JR: That's what you got to do in this championship.

Q. They go 1-up in the match and you guys got right back. How important that was? These guys been tearing it up all week.

GRADY BRAME JR: Well, we've been saying all week there is no surprises, you know, regardless of the situation.

All we wanted to focus on was get back on a birdie streak and, you know, see what happens at the end. You know, so that's -- regardless of going 1-up, 1-down, was kind of irrelevant to us. We just wanted to make as many birdies as we could.

Q. Talk about holes 12 and 14. First shot into 12 I guess 150 yard wedge, the par-5.

LAWRENCE ALLAN: Yeah, I can't remember exactly how far I had. Roughly 150-ish. I had a 50-degree wedge and I pulled it if I'm being honest. I hit it really good, executed it perfectly, but I pulled it probably ten feet.

And when it's your day it's your day; ended up inside the gimme range.

Q. Yeah, and then two holes later they had just won 13



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and you're looking at like a 50-footer.

GRADY BRAME JR: Yeah, so the momentum was starting to shift. They make the eagle putt on top of Lawrence and then birdie the next hole, and so it was definitely starting to shift.

I would -- there is a couple of putts that you think about throughout the week that you consider one the bigger ones of the week and that was -- that might be number one. Lawrence had a couple real good ones. This morning on 15 was probably the biggest one of the week.

LAWRENCE ALLAN: This green this morning was --

GRADY BRAME JR: Yeah, yeah.

Q. Another eagle on this one?

LAWRENCE ALLAN: No.

GRADY BRAME JR: It was a birdie to tie.

LAWRENCE ALLAN: I made a birdie to tie the hole or we were going to be 2-down.

Q. Your dad is playing in a big event this week. Shoots seven 74. Pretty good score there.

GRADY BRAME JR: Yeah.

Q. He gets in the car and comes here, almost four hour and 15 minutes to get here. What does that mean to you that your dad WD'd out of an event that's he likes to play?

GRADY BRAME JR: Yeah, well, he said regardless of how he was playing he said his mind was elsewhere, so he was just -- it didn't matter if he shot 62 or 72 or 82, he was probably heading this direction.

And I think he's a nutcase for doing that, but...

Q. Turned out to be a pretty good decision.

GRADY BRAME JR: Oh, look, it means the world to have him watching. It always makes it a little bit more special.

So, you know, I'm hoping it was definitely worth the drive.

Q. You tried professional golf what, five, years, six years?

GRADY BRAME JR: Seven years.

Q. When did you get your status back?

GRADY BRAME JR: Early last year. Probably March of last year.

Q. Okay. When did you get your status back?

LAWRENCE ALLAN: Two years ago.

Q. Okay. When did you decide that you wanted to play in this?

GRADY BRAME JR: As soon as we were eligible. Yeah. Yeah, we qualified last year in October for this year's tournament.

Q. Okay.

GRADY BRAME JR: We were chomping at the bit to get over here.

Q. Now you won't have to qualify for ten years. As long as you guys stay intact.

Q. Just one from me. Obviously from college teammates to four-ball champions, talk your journey and friendship as it's gone through the years.

GRADY BRAME JR: Yeah, I mean, the trust -- I've continued to say this, the trust makes it really easy.

There is always going to be ups and downs in this tournament, and if you have a partner that you just wholeheartedly trust, if you're being an anchor during the round that he's going pick you up, it makes it a lot more easy and allows to you stay more even keel through the ups and the downs.

As long of a week as this was, if you have a whole lot of ups and downs you're going to run out of energy pretty quick, so I think we did a pretty good job of that.

Q. What kind of Louisiana dinner celebration you think you'll have?

LAWRENCE ALLAN: Beer.

Q. Beer?

LAWRENCE ALLAN: Beer.

Q. No special dish food-wise?

GRADY BRAME JR: We're going to go beer first and figure it out from there.



LAWRENCE ALLAN: May be add some Scotland in, some whiskey in there.

Q. Congratulations, guys.

GRADY BRAME JR: Thank you.

LAWRENCE ALLAN: Thank you.

Q. Also into the amateur.

GRADY BRAME JR: Yeah, that's right.

Q. And Mid-Am.

GRADY BRAME JR: And Mid-Am, yeah.

LAWRENCE ALLAN: I didn't think of that.

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