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First-round Quotes

INTERVIEW WITH MIKE WEIR

THE MODERATOR: Making your 7th start here at the Bank of America Colonial. Mike Wier, a good round today 66. Stewart Cink is leading at 64, but you are in good position heading into the round. If we could start with some opening comments on a good day for you.

MIKE WEIR: Yeah, it was a solid round of golf today. I think I hit most of the greens, 2 or 3 greens, and a lot of close shots. My birdies were all, except for one, were probably all within 5 feet. And, you know, I kind of messed up No. 5 for bogey. But the other bogey on the backside was a great shot. I hit it and 3-putted from 6 feet, that was disheartening after the birdie on the hole before, but outside of that little mistake.

THE MODERATOR: Let's talk about your season so far. You have four top 10s and been on the cusp of winning a few times, it's just a matter of putting four good rounds together.

MIKE WEIR: It is, Joel. I have been close. I said I feel good. I feel ready to go each and every week. And I was not quite there last year. I feel good and everything is going pretty well, and we have to be patient. I feel close to winning here.

THE MODERATOR: Questions?

Q Mike, you have talked lately about feeling like you are very close. And since you haven't been getting as much out of your rounds as you would expect, your guy has been good at managing your game and take a lot of pride in that. I wonder if it's a unique challenge thing to be in a thing where you are maybe not getting as much out of your rounds, which is normal the strength of your game is maximizing what you are doing?

MIKE WEIR: It's been a challenge to kind of stay patient that is for sure. Outside of Wachovia where I didn't really play that well, every week I felt like I played pretty solid. And it just seems to be one aspect of my game seems to be off, and that has kept me from being right there and winning. So whether it's putting one week or not being quite as sharp. You know, today was pretty good. I putted okay and I hit it really solid. I have to keep sticking with it.

Q Steve Flesch mentioned last year that there was some holes that played to a lefty, I think he mentioned 3 and 5. Do you feel that way out here? Are there any holes that play to a left-handed golfer?

MIKE WEIR: I am not sure. Steve does like to say that. I noticed when I played with him today he does like to say that. I think that anyone that works it right to left, those holes are going to favor them. You know, it depends on whether you like to favor it or not. This course favors a person that is in control of their game who can shape it both ways. I was going over it in my mind the other day and 70% of the driving holes out here for me I try to work left to right and the other 30% I try to work right to left. There is a good mix of shaping the ball out here. You better have control of both of those.

Q Has it been frustrating? Have you had to kick yourself or, you know, can you kind of put into words what it has been like to just have that one little piece here or there?

MIKE WEIR: Yeah. It's been frustrating, Melanie. But on the other hand I have been working really hard. And I just see the stuff I'm working on whether it's this week, or next week or next year really paying off big dividends here whenever it does happen. Because I put a lot of work into my game and I feel everything fundamentally is getting better and more sound and hopefully I will be more reliable when I need to be. Whether that is this week or down the road, this is the outlook I'm taking right now. So, that kind of keeps my frustration level down a little bit. On the other hand, yeah, it's been a little bit frustrating that I haven't won in a while.

Q Talking about trying to have your game when you need it and stuff like that. I assume one, you are talking about most top players want to be at their best at the Majors. Everybody is always aiming to do that. Not everybody can have their game at the best. What are sort the challenges or barriers to being able to get your game at it's best, you know, on demand, those times of year when you want it there the most?

MIKE WEIR: I think it's different for every player. I think some guys like to play their way into Majors. Some guys like to take the week off and work on specific aspects on whatever Major it is, and what that golf course demands. I kind of experiment with both. Going to Augusta I know what I need to do there. Maybe some of the other Majors where they are moved around a little bit. You try to get in there a couple of months before and play the golf course and try to set up a plan for the place you are playing. But it's a little different for everybody. For myself, um, it's kind of hit or miss. I feel my game is off a little bit. I may want to stay back and practice a little more and get ready for it, a Major. I feel like I am playing good right now so I'm playing three right into the U.S. Open. So it just depends on the week.

Q We can know how you are feeling about your game by the what your schedule is in the Majors?

MIKE WEIR: Sometimes. That is kind of the way I'm leaning towards it right now. It changes all the time. I don't think there is any set formula. I think some guys have different ways of doing it. I kind of mix both ways around so. The year I won Augusta -- no I didn't. I played the week before and I missed the cut. It's different. It's different all the time.

THE MODERATOR: Anything else? Mike, if we could touch on your round real quick.
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Okay. Mike Weir, thank you.