



BRONSON BURGOON (-9)

Q. Bronson, great start to the tournament. Just talk about what was going right out there.

BRONSON BURGOON: I mean, I drove it well and I putted pretty good, so it was kind of -- I mean, it was boring golf, but that's always a good thing. I chipped in for eagle out of the bunker on my ninth hole, which kind of boosted me, then I kept going.

Q. Did it feel like just nothing could go wrong out there today?

BRONSON BURGOON: No, I wouldn't say that. I mean, it definitely wasn't flawless golf, but I've been playing pretty good. I took quite a bit of time off after the Playoffs and last week I was pretty rusty, but I felt it kind of coming. Yesterday I was thankful I was able to play the pro-am and I felt kind of to start going a little bit. I was feeling pretty good before I teed off today.

Q. What is maybe the key to your game right now that contributed to you going this low?

BRONSON BURGOON: Well, obviously putting. You have to putt well to play well. I typically drive it pretty good, so when I putt, I play pretty good.

Q. You've always been in contention. I'm just wondering, is this the year one of your goals is to take that next step?

BRONSON BURGOON: Yeah, definitely. I wasn't very good a few years ago. I wasn't ready to win, I wasn't able to win. Last year I feel like I banged on the door a couple times. Last year I was close, but definitely needed to get a little bit better. I like my chances.

Q. What did you do to improve, to be better prepared to win?

BRONSON BURGOON: Yeah, you know, there's just a lot of things. I had a lot of holes in my game. After my rookie year I think I was ranked like 200th in chipping and I was outside the 100 personal mark on just about every category. So my coach and I just kind of went through and just started knocking it down and just trying to get better at things that actually make me score better. Instead of just trying to hit it as far as you can, I focus a lot more like inside 100 yards.

Q. And if there was one key to this golf course that suits your game, what do you think it is?

BRONSON BURGOON: You've got to drive it well. You've got to keep it in the fairway. If you're hitting fairway, you're going to have a lot of looks and that's what I did today. For the most part, I drove it pretty well. I gave myself a lot of 8- to 10-foot putts and holed a few of them, so it was good.

Q. Maybe just tell us a little bit about the day, what was working out there for you and how you were able to go so low.

BRONSON BURGOON: Yeah, I was driving it well from the get-go. Hitting a lot of fairways out here, a fair amount, so I was able to give myself quite a few looks and capitalized a few times on those.

Q. First time on this course, too. What's kind of been your impressions?

BRONSON BURGOON: I love it, yeah. It reminds me a lot of the courses when I was playing on the Latinoamerica Tour, very hilly, got to drive it good. It was enjoyable. I played yesterday for the first time in the pro-am and I was glad to get a practice round in. Yeah, I like it.

Q. So this is your first appearance at CIMB?

BRONSON BURGOON: Yes.

Q. So how was it?

BRONSON BURGOON: It's great, it's been great. I'm a little tired from the flight over. I played last week's event, so got in Tuesday afternoon. Feel better than I thought I would. It's been a lot of fun so far.

Q. So it's tough for you to move on with 9 under over all today?

BRONSON BURGOON: Yeah. I mean, shooting 9 under's good start. Obviously there's 54 more holes and that's what it is, a start, it's a good start.

Q. So that's the way it affect your game because a few time raining and stop?

BRONSON BURGOON: No, no. I mean, it is what it is, everyone has to deal with it. Sometimes you're on a bad hole with water and it is what it is. I mean, everyone's dealing with it.

Q. If I remember correctly, you played really well at Northern Trust to get into the second playoff event and then holed out, right, to make the cut on the number in Boston?

BRONSON BURGOON: Yeah, yeah.

Q. Did you kind of feel this coming? Did you feel like your game was in a pretty good spot at the end of the season?

BRONSON BURGOON: Yeah. I was really tired at Dell, but Northern Trust I played well. It's been rounding into form for the last 12 months or so, it's getting progressively better. I'm not going to say I'm not -- I felt it coming. Obviously 9 under par is low, but it's been feeling well for a while.

Q. What are the goals for the season?

BRONSON BURGOON: I just want to be in contention coming into Sundays. The more times I can knock on that door, the better. Really try to get my first win would be great.

Q. How important was that to -- I mean, the way you ended the season got you into here, give you some early starts early in the year?

BRONSON BURGOON: Yeah, it was great, that was huge. To play well at Northern Trust was a big boost. I took quite a bit of time off during our little break, I didn't touch a golf club for about two and a half, three weeks, so trying to get back into it now.

Q. Billy Horschel was saying with it going from four playoff events to three in the FedExCup, that these events are probably even more important this year because the regular season's going to be a little more important. What are your thoughts on that?

BRONSON BURGOON: Yeah, he would know a lot more than me. Last year was my first playoff event or first playoff experience, he's won it, so I'll take his word for it.