

WILL ZALATORIS (-8)

WILL ZALATORIS: Yeah, it's exciting. I thought I had a pretty good chance of it in Vegas. Obviously a couple points short. I'm glad I got it done in one week. If I kind of let that wander a little bit, it wouldn't have been fun. Yeah, it's exciting. Finally. I wanted do this my whole life, so finally out here.

Q. What does it mean -- you only needed to use one sponsor invite, otherwise it would be top-10s. Is that pretty gratifying to -- (inaudible)?

WILL ZALATORIS: Yeah, it helps with the U.S. Open with the Korn Ferry Tour guys getting that spot, that was really the big key, just giving me a start in the Open and I played well, just strung it all together. Like I said, having that chance to play in the open and obviously more points. Obviously great experience on top of that with the best players in the world. I only made -- only gave me more confidence.

Q. Your schedule for the fall, are you going to try to Monday into RSM?

WILL ZALATORIS: I will, I'll try to Monday into RSM, hopefully Mayakoba if I don't get in on Monday there. So that will just kind of be the schedule from here going forward.

Q. And looking back on the last year and a half, two years on the Korn Ferry Tour, what kind of are the memories you think you're going to have?

WILL ZALATORIS: It's wild. I've always set goals and wanted to put a deadline on things. I frankly had never accomplished them at the deadline I ever wanted and to beat one finally in my career is pretty cool. This year going into the year my goal is to finish top 25, get a card that way and COVID hit and I took the challenges and opportunity to try to gain more experience and try to get my card by three wins and I did it an even different way, so it's very gratifying.

Q. Last year in Alabama you talked about the (inaudible). What was the final one?

WILL ZALATORIS: I'm almost done. Right now I'm taking, it's a philosophy class and then yeah, I did the public speaking online and then I'm taking another psychology class. I'm almost done. I made a promise to my parents I'd get it done. Even though I've got a pretty good job now, I made a promise. I won't break it.

Q. You'll try to finish by end of this year?

WILL ZALATORIS: It just depends with how much I'm playing, we'll see what happens. But

thankfully I get a year -- once I start I get a year from that point to (inaudible). You know, I'll get it done.

Q. And two years ago you missed (inaudible) at Q-School. Looking back at that, how were you able to keep from getting discouraged?

WILL ZALATORIS: Just stick to the process. Josh Gregory gave me a really good practice routine and I try to stick to it every day. Even playing the Monday qualifiers and maybe missing a couple and shooting good rounds, it's easy to get discouraged, but I used them as a good chance to get better and just day in, day out try to get better. Every tournament round I play, just progress, progress. So it's nice to see a two-and-a-half-year process pay off.

Q. Your roommate, Davis Riley, is one win away. You're going to be rooting for him early next year?

WILL ZALATORIS: Yeah, I hope I get to see that goofball as much as I can. I love playing with him. He's going to be here sooner than we think. I wouldn't be surprised if he does what I do by Monday -- might Monday into a couple and do some damage that way. Or like I said, knowing him, he might win Exuma, first one of the year, so I'll see him real soon.