



Q. So what happened? Walk us through what happened.

BILLY ANDRADE: Well, I'm 2 under going to 7, the par 5, and the pin was middle right, so you can't miss your second shot to the right. I felt like I could hit a 3-wood over the tree, but you know, the tree about 50 yards short of the green's in the way. So I hit the tree and then I'm looking at the marshal and I know he hasn't found the ball yet. So now when we walk up there, we're looking everywhere and we can't find the ball.

Now, this happened to me at the Senior PLAYERS Championship at Firestone on the second hole. I hit a shot, it hit the tree, we couldn't find the ball. It ended up being a hundred yards up near the green. Without fans, this situation sometimes happens.

So sure enough we're looking for the ball, we can't find the ball and then the kid holding the mic for the Golf Channel said, "I see a ball in the tree," and I looked up and Brian Claar got his binoculars out and sure enough it was up in the tree. So how are we going to get it down?

I said, "Anybody have a football?" Nobody has a football. A guy goes, "Here," and takes off his show and throws it at me.

So I try going overhand and a terrible throw, just a terrible throw. And then everyone started making fun of me, how bad my throw was, the release wasn't very good. Now I'm getting mad at them, and then Brian Claar gets the shoe and goes like corn hole, he corn holes it up and the ball comes down and it's my ball.

Q. So the kid who saw it is the one who gave you the shoe?

BILLY ANDRADE: No, a different guy. I don't know who the guy was, but he was giving me the business pretty good though about my throw.

Q. Did that save you a shot?

BILLY ANDRADE: It saved me the distance. I would have to go all the way back to hit that 3-wood again versus just taking a one-shot penalty, dropping right where the ball came down underneath the tree.

It's never happened to me before. I've seen it happen to others. How the heck a ball can stick up in a tree is beyond me, especially going pretty fast when it hit the tree.

Q. You probably didn't want to use your shoe because if that thing gets stuck up there, too, then you're stuck.

BILLY ANDRADE: You know, I probably should have because my shoe -- then the guy wouldn't have gave me so much grief.