

**ROUND 1 INTERVIEW**  
**November 6, 2020**



**TOM LEHMAN (-3)**  
**THOMAS LEHMAN (Caddy)**

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**Q. How was the course, how was your round, how was your day?**

**TOM LEHMAN:** Well, I had a great caddie. He didn't misread a putt all day and if I simply was good enough to hit them where he said to hit them, I would have scored a lot better. We had a good time. The course played a little longer than it normally does, I would say, but it's in perfect condition and the weather was ideal.

**Q. Is this the first time you guys paired up like this?**

**THOMAS LEHMAN:** Oh, no, I've caddied quite a few times now.

**Q. First time in a pro event, though?**

**THOMAS LEHMAN:** No, this is probably like the 20th time.

**Q. Great way to spend some time together?**

**TOM LEHMAN:** We've had some good weeks. We've had some top-3s in majors. Have we won?

**THOMAS LEHMAN:** No, never won.

**TOM LEHMAN:** I've won with my daughter.

**Q. You have to pay more than 10 percent if you win?**

**TOM LEHMAN:** You know, this is my way of estate planning with my kids caddying for me. I shouldn't say it out loud, but it's true.

**Q. Are you learning watching your father play?**

**THOMAS LEHMAN:** Oh, yeah, definitely, definitely learn a lot caddying. Being able to watch him just go around the course, definitely.

**TOM LEHMAN:** And the other guys, too. Watching Lee Janzen hit wedges or chip or putt, for example, or Langer, the way he manages his game, it's a good learning experience.

**Q. Is it special here in Phoenix?**

**TOM LEHMAN:** Well, obviously, anytime you play at home. It's really unfortunate there's no fans. We would have the whole neighborhood out here and it would be more fun for him I think caddying with all his family and friends out here and giving him a hard time. It is the way it is, you can't do anything about it.

**Q. What do you expect the next week at the Masters? How do you think that tournament's going to play in November?**

**TOM LEHMAN:** Well, I don't know, I've never played there in November, but I would assume that you can get some wet weather in the late fall, almost wintertime, which would make the course play super long. Of course you could probably get just the opposite, too. It could be baked possibly, but I would guess if I had to bet money, the course will play pretty long.

**CARLOS ORTIZ:**

**Q. Carlos, great playing today, you're tied for 2nd going into the weekend. What was working so well for you out there today?**

**CARLOS ORTIZ:** A little bit of everything. I honestly played great the first nine, was pretty consistent driving it in the fairway. The back nine got a little bit rough for me, I couldn't really hit the fairway and out of the rough is hard, so I grinded it out. The last few holes with the light, we pretty much played in the dark the last two holes and that was kind of hard, but I'm just happy to finish with two pars and be in a good position for the weekend.

**Q. You mentioned the darkness. Was there any part of you that thought about maybe holding off finishing today and coming back tomorrow, or you wanted to get it done today?**

**CARLOS ORTIZ:** Yeah, of course I was thinking about it, but the other part, I wanted to sleep in, too. I didn't want to wake up really early. I just hit in that position where I didn't really have to make that decision. Maybe the last had like a 15-footer on the last hole and we really couldn't see. It was just kind of iffy, so I could have maybe waited for tomorrow, but I would rather sleep in two or more hours.

**Q. In terms of the fans out here, were you able to feed off of their energy a little bit?**

**CARLOS ORTIZ:** Yeah, it's great. Always playing here in Texas there's a lot of people

cheering for me, it's kind of like my second home state. I've been here 12 years and I love playing here, and there's a lot of Mexicans cheering around here, so that helps, too.

**Q. And what do you need to continue doing throughout the weekend to give yourself a chance to win on Sunday?**

**CARLOS ORTIZ:** I think it's really important to hit it in the fairway. I mean, everywhere, but here especially. If you're playing from the fairway, you're able to judge how the ball's going to bounce on the green and these greens are kind of firm and undulated, so it's really important to be able to control how the ball is going to be coming into the green.