



TOM HOGE (-13)

Q. Tom Hoge finishing out the 3M Open here at TPC Twin Cities. Tom, you had five missed cuts before this tournament, now a top-5 finish. What did you find in your game this week?

TOM HOGE: I wish I had a good answer for it. I guess I kind of just went back to the basics. Nice to be close to home again, that might have played a part in it, but I hit it really well, played the best I played all year. I hit a lot of edges for four days around the holes, had a couple bad breaks on 16 and a few things don't go your way and that's what it takes to win. It was a good week for me and hopefully I can build on it for the Playoffs now.

Q. Under par in all four rounds, how does that help your consistency each day?

TOM HOGE: Yeah, I just tried to -- today was really tough with the wind, just a lot of hole locations that were tough to get close to, so hard to make birdies out there. But I felt like I played really well and going to need more of that going forward here trying to make a run at the Playoffs and try to make the Presidents Cup team, so a lot to play for.

Q. You're used to the courses in the upper midwest. How were the conditions out there? How were you used to it and how did that familiarity help?

TOM HOGE: Yeah, it's a golf course I played going back to junior and amateur golf, so I felt comfortable here. Just very comfortable in the area. Staying with my wife's family, so pretty easy week for us. It was just nice to be back and nice to play well again.

Q. Going back to Pebble Beach, since winning that, how has that kind of changed your approach to a weekend?

TOM HOGE: To be honest, not a whole lot. Schedule changes, more events to play in, bigger pairings with some of the better players, but I just try to go play well for four days and it's nice to do it again this week. It's been a little while for me going back to the PGA Championship and hopefully I can keep doing it a little more consistently.

Q. What's the mindset going into the Playoffs?

TOM HOGE: Yeah, just hopefully more of this. I had so many chances to make birdies and a lot of the putts were just right on the edges. Hopefully I can get that putter going again and never know where we'll end up.