

GREATS OF GOLF
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Annika Sorenstam
Jack Nicklaus
Gary Player

MODERATOR: Welcome, good morning, welcome to 3M Greats of Golf. Jack and Gary, we're thrilled to have you back here in the Woodlands, and you brought a new friend in Annika.

Just talk about what you're expecting out there this afternoon.

JACK NICKLAUS: Well, she's young and we expect to be able to play her tee shots and her second shots.

ANNIKA SORENSTAM: No expectations.

No, I'm just thrilled to be here. It's overwhelming to sit here obviously between the greats and just to be part of this event. I'm very, very honored and excited at the same time.

I got the call maybe two, three weeks ago and I was like, okay, where are my clubs and where's the driving range, I've got to go practice a little bit.

No, this is a dream come true and I look forward to just having a good time. I love listening to the stories. Obviously golf is what we do, but just to share in the stories is what I get excited about.

MODERATOR: Y'all flew over here together from Florida. Gary, any strategy on the plane that was discussed?

GARY PLAYER: No, but I just think it's wonderful that they've invited a lady pro golfer to play. I think there should be a few more.

I've seen a lot of them play the last five years, and I tell you, I've been so impressed. They play so well. I was unaware of just how well they play. You see the scores, but when you play with them, it's quite a shock. They all outdrive me, and of course the first thing I say is, "My shoulder's sore."

But no, they play beautiful golf. I think if you want to have big galleries, and we have had fantastic galleries, the women are going to be excited, particularly young girls.

We need -- you know, golf, the rounds are down in golf. And professional golf is healthy, but

we've got to come up with many ideas now to get more young people playing. I think having a woman play or more woman play would be encouraging.

MODERATOR: This is the 15th anniversary of the Insperity Invitational, and coincidentally, Annika, it's 15 years ago that you teed it up at The Colonial on the PGA TOUR. Sort of maybe reflect a little bit on that week 15 years ago and then here back with the boys.

ANNIKA SORENSTAM: Yeah. Well, 15 years, I mean, it sounds so long ago. However, I remember most of that week. It was certainly a highlight of my career.

What can I say, it was just great memories. It was at a time where I was at the peak of my career and I was looking for different motivators to take my game to a different level, and when the opportunity came about, I just felt like this is it. I worked very, very hard to prepare as much as I could and be ready to tee it up against the very best in the world. You know, I learned a lot about myself, I learned a lot about my game and just what it's like. Most of all, just feeling very lucky to get that opportunity to test myself.

So again, 15 years, it sounds like such a long time ago. A lot of things have happened since. You know, I don't compare today with Colonial, but just to be part of the game again and be able to walk inside the ropes with these nice gentlemen is a treat, it really is. I guess things kind of come back in a circle and it's just --

But my expectations are very different today. Today I bring my family, my kids, and at that time it was just golf, golf, golf. Now my life is fulfilled with other things as far as my foundation, different businesses and so forth. At that time putts and drives, that was all I cared about. Now, it's a little bit secondary.

MODERATOR: There was some debate at the players' dinner. Now, is this or is this not the first round of golf together competitively?

JACK NICKLAUS: Competitively, yes.

ANNIKA SORENSTAM: Correct, yeah.

JACK NICKLAUS: I think Annika and I played a few holes in Mexico. I'm not sure. Did we play nine holes?

ANNIKA SORENSTAM: Yeah, we did.

I think we played a few holes at one of your events, a charity event in New York.

GARY PLAYER: Yes.

ANNIKA SORENSTAM: But not competitive, nothing like this.

MODERATOR: All right. Questions?

Q. Annika, when I was walking around this morning, I saw some people out there still wearing their green "Go Annika" buttons.

ANNIKA SORENSTAM: Oh, really?

Q. Does that surprise you that people still hang on to that stuff and people still have memories that want to bring that out?

ANNIKA SORENSTAM: That is so cool. I just literally got here, I haven't had a chance to walk around. But no, that's really cool to see that. That warms my heart, it's very special. This is the same state, so it's kind of funny how everything is coming together.

JACK NICKLAUS: Nice, diplomatic answer. That's good.

ANNIKA SORENSTAM: Learning from you.

JACK NICKLAUS: That's diplomatic, too.

Q. Annika, you shot 59 competitively, that's lower than both of these guys have. What are you looking for today?

GARY PLAYER: Why do you say that? That's not true. That's not true what you said.

Q. No?

GARY PLAYER: I've shot 59 as well in an Open.

Q. Correct, in Australia, right? Or Brazil?

GARY PLAYER: No, second mistake. Don't worry about it.

ANNIKA SORENSTAM: It soon will be my age, so it's a different format today, which I think we're all happy about. It's more of a team event. Go out there and do our best.

GARY PLAYER: That's something to look forward to, breaking your age.

ANNIKA SORENSTAM: That's a hard feat.

Q. Speaking of 59, a 60-year-old guy here yesterday shot 63, Bernhard Langer, but literally putted for birdies on his last 10 holes.

Annika, what do you have to do to shoot 59?

GARY PLAYER: Well, you have to, first of all, and we hear commentators putting -- overemphasizing the importance of long hitting. I mean, I hear it all the time.

The father introduces his son. He says, "Oh, my son hits it 300 yards or more." I say to him, "Well, rather tell me he's got a good mind and tell me he's fit and tell me he eats properly and tell me he's a competitor, but above all, tell me he's got a great game from 100 yards in," because some of the leading players in the event years have been some of the worst drivers in accuracy in history, and yet they were No. 1 and No. 2 regularly.

So what you've got to do to break 60, you've just got to putt like Tarzan; otherwise, you cannot do it. It's always -- it's always the putting that wins the tournament, no question. If you think how many putts you have in a round and how many drives you have in a round, it's double. I mean, the putting, I think that's the answer.

ANNIKA SORENSTAM: I think early on it was more of a magic number, more of a mental barrier than anything. It's almost like other sports when it's a certain number of time in running. Once somebody passes that, it's more okay, like it's possible giving people the dream of you can break something.

In my case, it was 13 birdies. It felt very easy that day. And I'm sure we've had many rounds where we feel like, wow, that was easy, and the next day you go out and you wonder, why is it not as easy today?

But I agree with Gary, it's a lot about making the putts. A lot of people can hit the ball a long ways, that's just the beginning of the game. It's funny because we talked about that on Thursday night about young people -- not young people, but players that are 60 still playing well. You just brought up Bernhard Langer. He is one that is so fit and all of a sudden he's the one that shot 63. So I think, was it coincidence?

GARY PLAYER: It's noticeable if you look at him, how fit he is, and he's maintained that. I just had breakfast with two doctors this morning, brilliant doctors from Houston, and they were just saying to me again, they're finding out now more and more so about the value of exercise. It's something that has been poo-pooed.

I spoke to Tom Weiskopf this morning, it was very interesting. He's just had his knee redone and he said when he got in a car, he had to lift his leg up like that. He said after he exercised his knee for a week, he couldn't put his leg back in the car. He said it just made him realize when I used to do the exercises 60, 65 years ago, I was severely criticized and teased and remarkable things said. Now, he said he wishes that he had done it when he was younger because he realizes on that little example what that little bit of exercise did for his muscle.

But it's easier to get a camel through the eye of a needle to get anybody to worry about what they eat and how they exercise. It's basically a losing battle.

Q. You've alluded to how do we grow the game. I mean, the pro game's in great shape, I think it really is, but what do we do at the grass roots level to get the momentum back from the '80s and '90s that we had?

JACK NICKLAUS: I haven't talked any. So, you know, growing the game is -- I think that we've got to get out of the dark ages. I think that golf is trying to now. I know that the USGA and The PGA of America are working to try to develop programs that will bring people into the game and keep them in the game.

I think the three biggest things we've got in the game of golf is a golf -- for the millennials today, because that's who you really need to target because you need to bring in the young people. Instant gratification is what they're interested in. They go "boop, boop, boop" in a game and 10 minutes later they've got it.

But the game needs to go back. When we first played the British Open and we would go play over there, we would play -- we would play in two hours and 25 minutes. You know, why can't we play in two hours and 25 minutes? Well, a couple reasons.

First of all, the golf courses are too difficult today, they're too long, they're -- the game is too expensive. Three things: It takes too long, the game is too difficult, and it's too expensive. Those are the three things that I sort of harp on and I think we need to work on if we want to bring people in and keep them in the game.

You bring somebody in who can't afford to play the game, it's difficult to get there. Say, hey, you've got to come play five, six hours, spend half your day doing something, but it costs more money than you can afford.

And you don't enjoy it because it's too difficult for you.

Those are the things you've got -- I think the USGA and The PGA of America are very, very aware of that and I think they're working on things to try to get there. It just takes time.

GARY PLAYER: I think the ball is the biggest detriment to golf at the moment. I think obviously we should leave the ball as it is for all weekend golfers, because professionals are not important at all when you think about the game.

But for professional golfers, it's becoming a joke. I mean, if you took Dustin Johnson today, he'll probably hit -- if he hits a good drive, I know he'll hit a 9-iron to the second hole at Augusta. And he doesn't hit the ball any further than Jack hit it in his prime. You think Jack would hit a 9-iron to 13 if he catches his driver, he'll hit a 9-iron to 15, and I don't know what he'll knock at No. 8.

But it's becoming -- it's really, I think, the ruination of golf. And yet there is one man who's a head of a company, a golf ball company in this country, and he's saying, "Oh, well, the guys are stronger today."

Well, that's nonsense. George Bell was 6-foot-8, he was a football player. Mike Souchak is stronger than any man playing the Tour today. Jack in his prime was as strong as anybody playing. Arnold was as strong. Sam Snead was the strongest of them all and the greatest athlete that golf has ever seen. So that's hogwash.

The ball is just going too far. I mean, I'm nearly 83 and I've been averaging probably 72 and I'm hitting the ball a reasonable distance, reasonable for my age. But it's just, it's ruining the game. I don't know what's going to happen.

Now they have to make the long golf courses. I mean, I was embarrassed. I said Augusta, they can't put the tees back in the streets. Well, I was wrong. They bought highways and so they're putting them back there.

It's actually unnecessary. If professional golf just cut the ball back 50 yards, the man who markets the best will still sell the most balls. It'll have no effect on the balls whatsoever.

But the thing is, now -- and we haven't seen any really big, big, big men playing golf in the history of the game. Now they're coming. They can hit the ball 400, 420, 450 yards. They're coming. You get a guy like LeBron James or Michael Jordan, if they are athletic, inclined for golf, they'll hit the ball 450 yards.

So, I mean, the game is really -- and then it costs so much money.

And the big factor is water. The world is running out of water. Now, that sounds crazy when you tell people that, but by the year 2025, the world will be short of 25 percent of water. Cape Town, as sophisticated a city as there is in the world today, has no water. I mean, how is that possible? It's going to happen to Nevada. It's going to happen in Arizona, California.

So when we think about water and fertilization, fertilization -- I'm a farmer, I can tell you destroys your land eventually. Makes it sour and unproductive and you've got to reproduce by doing organic fertilization.

So we're going about it the wrong way, I really believe that. As long as they're making the golf courses longer, it's more money, it's more fertilizer, it's more labor, it's more machinery.

And then you get a levy as a member and you didn't want your golf course longer, you were very happy with your golf course. Now all of a sudden you've got this levy and say, "I'm getting out of here." And the wife says, "I don't want to play this course anymore, it's not enjoyable. They put bunkers in front of the green." She cannot carry the ball and stop it on the green. So they get out of golf. I think the ball is the big problem.

JACK NICKLAUS: The ball has always been the big problem. The ball is the contributing factor to all those other things. Gary's absolutely dead right.

ANNIKA SORENSTAM: I just want to talk to grow the game. I think they've touched on really important aspects, but I also think family is what we need to focus on, growing the game within families, making clubs family friendly, kid friendly.

What Jack said, it's not just about introducing to golf; how do we get them to stay in the game? I think that's probably the biggest issue. And you can do that by being a little bit more -- I mean, you have to modernize a few things. There's so many options for young kids and families. Of course, time is of the essence. We don't have time to be out there for four hours. Can you play three holes, six holes, nine holes? Courses that are easier to walk around with the family and make clubs, you know, not just maybe golf.

So, I mean, with The Annika Foundation, obviously I focus on the young girls, but we kind of do it globally and just to kind of educate them more. It's not just about hitting 7-irons and being good players. It's about creating good individuals, teaching them more about golf. I think that's what golf has to offer than many other sports. It's much more than the game.

I mean, what other sports would you have somebody in their 70s and 80s being here? That's what golf has to offer. It's a game for life. So we need to get families in there.

And I still think there's growth for women, which is neat. There's still women out there who can pick up the game.

So we can grow the game, there's no doubt. I know there's initiatives out there, but we've just got to keep on going and address, what you said, the difficulty, accessibility and the time.

Q. Jack, have you gotten to know Patrick Reed at all?

JACK NICKLAUS: I don't know him very well. I thought the golf that he played at Augusta was terrific. I thought he showed a lot of guts coming down the stretch. He had a lot of guys playing well -- Rickie Fowler played a great round, Jordan Spieth played a great round coming down to the end -- and he stood up to it and did very well with it.

Q. You came on and Arnold was the king and you battled a little bit of what he did with -- the fans haven't really embraced Patrick yet. What advice would you give him to make that happen? You did it by simply winning and continuing to be a great player and being a gentleman. What would you tell Patrick?

JACK NICKLAUS: Well, that's not a bad formula.

Q. Can I quote you?

JACK NICKLAUS: Well, I would think that's what -- if Patrick Reed just -- you know, I don't know Patrick very well, but if you just, you know, be yourself and continue to play, pretty

soon, if people think you're a good person, they'll eventually come to you. If you're -- they're not going to shy away from you if you handle yourself well.

I think that's always the way I felt. I can only be me, and Patrick can only be himself. Patrick, if he's himself and he's accepted by the other players, accepted by the people, then he'll have great acceptance.

But he's a good player. You know, I don't have -- I don't know him that well, but he's -- every time I've met him, he's had nothing but a smile on his face and a good, firm handshake and a pleasant thing to say. So I judge him by what I've seen.

GARY PLAYER: But I think the media were very unkind to him. I mean, you don't know what happens. Why do we have to comment so much, and prolifically so, on what happens in his life when you really don't know? We don't know what happens behind closed doors in families.

So he's there to win the Masters, he wins it in great style, behaves well. One even said he didn't hug his wife. He gave his wife one of the greatest hugs I've ever seen in my life on the 18th. Why say that when it's not the truth?

And the thing is, he won the Masters in great style and they were really -- I mean, they were so mean to him. It was just quite sad to see that.

JACK NICKLAUS: Fake news?

Q. Jack, at one time you -- I mean all y'all really, but you won so many times, people thought it was easy. It never was easy, but people thought it was easy because you won so much.

JACK NICKLAUS: Why, do you think it wasn't easy?

Q. It was for you.

JACK NICKLAUS: No.

Q. Tiger won so much back -- now Tiger's back, he's not winning, he hasn't won. Does that show how really hard it is to win a golf tournament as opposed to --

JACK NICKLAUS: Well, Tiger's been away for essentially 10 years. He's been -- he won, what, 2013, '14, whenever it was?

Q. '13, I think.

JACK NICKLAUS: But 10 years from a major championship he won in 2008. I think Tiger's actually swinging very well. I think -- as a matter of fact, I think he's swinging better than

when he was actually playing well. I think the fusion has forced him to stay a little bit more on top of the ball and be a little bit more level. I think that's probably one of the reasons why he hit it all over the world with his driver is he was up and down so much, and he's not doing that now. I think he's -- he's driving the ball better.

I think that he's a great competitor, he loves to compete. He's got a fantastic short game. Tiger's going to do all right.

He's just got a lot of competition out there today. When you have a lot of competition and you haven't played for a long time, you've got to -- between your ears, you've got to, you know, you've got to reorient yourself to being in competition again.

Sure, he's gone out and he's worked very hard physically, he's got himself in great shape. I'm sure he's worked hard on his golf game, but he hasn't put it to the test to where he's gotten success. He will get success. I think Tiger will win again and I think he'll probably win several times.

Q. Do you think he'll win another major?

GARY PLAYER: I don't know. You don't know what he's going to do, but I think he will win. He's just -- he's just too driven and too good an athlete, too good a golfer not to.

Then again, he may never -- the five inches between his ears may never really come back. And that's a hard thing to get, you just don't know. I wish him well. Nobody -- I think every time Tiger tees it up, it's good for the game of golf. And if he wins, I think it's good for the game of golf.

I think it's also good to see people who have gone through adversity come back. Look what Ben Hogan did. Ben Hogan missed a very large part of his life being in the service by an accident and what a great record Ben Hogan had.

We've been blessed in many ways. Gary, you've been healthy all your life, you've never had any injuries. Annika, you didn't have any injuries while you were playing. I mean, I didn't have any injuries while I was playing. Did we miss an odd tournament or have some minor stuff? Yeah, but nothing that ever kept us out for an extended period of time.

That's hard to come back from. So, you know, I think in the name of golf, in the name of Tiger's a friend and I would like to see him do well.

Q. Two things for you, Jack. One, what do you think the odds were when you showed up at Augusta this year that something was going to take place that may be the happiest moment you ever had at Augusta would occur when on television your grandson makes a hole-in-one?

JACK NICKLAUS: What are the odds of that? I knew odds were pretty good he might hit

the green. None of his cousins have ever hit the green. I asked him on -- I asked him on Sunday, we played nine holes Sunday prior. I asked him -- I always ask them if they want to hit because I don't want to embarrass them. He said, "Yeah, I would like to hit." He said, "None of my cousins have ever hit the green." I said, "Well, if you're going to hit the green, you may as well make a hole-in-one." So that's good.

And then, of course, to his father the night before, he said, "Pee-Paw thinks I'm going to make a hole-in-one tomorrow." He said, "Really?" He said, "I wouldn't get my hopes up too high for that," he said, "But you may as well go and give it your best shot."

And, of course, Gary was mic'd and Gary was talking the ball into the hole. I think it was -- you know, I don't think that par 3 tournament has ever been an event that anybody's ever talked about. I mean, it turned out it's always been a bugaboo for the guy who has won it because they've never won the tournament. But to have Tom and Gary and myself all finish in the top 9, we all played well.

My wife says to me, she said -- and you can tell after we played the first couple holes that we wanted to play. My wife said to me, "Why did you tee off on 9? You never tee off on 9. Were you just letting the grandkids hit?" I said, "Well, Barbara if I make a hole-in-one and (inaudible) I tie for the tournament." And she says, "You're still competitive, aren't you?"

Of course we're competitive. We enjoy that competition, that was fun for us. We know that if you get us on a big golf course, we don't have the strength to be able to play against the guys, but a little par 3 course we can play, and we had a blast. And then to have GT come off of that with that -- he hit a couple shots on the range before we played and he had the jumpsuit, which you can't swing in that darn jumpsuit, and he had my wedge and he knocks it in the hole.

That's -- that was a pretty special about an hour and 15 minutes. It was a lot of fun for all of us. I know Gary enjoyed it, Tom enjoyed it. We were all rooting Tom on and, I mean, I got to the ninth hole and Tom was actually away and I'm thinking of Tom winning. So I said, "I'll go ahead and putt first." I should have let him putt first, he almost three-putted. If I make it, I tie. I wasn't thinking about what I would do, I was too excited about GT's hole-in-one and wanting to see Tom win. I didn't care whether I won or not, but I would have obviously liked to.

Yeah, it was a very, very special afternoon. When I walked by the little tower where Curtis Strange was, he says, "How does that rank in your Masters experience?" I just went like that, stuck up one finger.

You know, with all due respect to winning six Masters, which is obviously pretty special, when something happens with your grandkids or your own kids, that's far more special than anything you've ever done yourself.

Q. And the second question, Jack, this year at the U.S. Open having, you know, the

three played there in '86, '95 and '04, the fairways this year the USGA has decided are going to be wider than they were for any of the three other Opens. There seems to be a movement, and I'm -- I think the genesis is the Masters with their back nine on Sunday and wanting birdies and eagles that, you know, they're going to make basically the U.S. Open easier than it was, you know --

JACK NICKLAUS: Well, Bob, I don't know that. I haven't heard that other than from yourself. I'll give you my call, okay?

Augusta, I thought, was -- I don't think they should have ever put rough at Augusta. I thought that the rough changed the whole nature of what Bobby Jones wanted to do at Augusta. Bobby Jones loved St. Andrews. He designed Augusta in St. Andrews' theme, and the whole theme of Augusta is to put the ball in the proper side of the fairway to get the proper angle to the green, and if you got it on the other side of the fairway, then you had a tough wrangle. And without the rough, the ball runs off into the trees.

I always thought that's the way the golf course played. I thought that's the way it should be played, and they changed it so it doesn't quite play that way anymore. Don't get me wrong, I think Augusta's great even the way it is, but I just thought that was the nature of Augusta.

You then went to the U.S. Open, and the U.S. Open to me, along with the British Open, they both try to give a complete examination of a golfer where you put the fairways as narrow as you can put them, you put the rough where it was penal if you put the ball in it, the greens were firm and fast, and you tucked the pins and had the ball at a length that is appropriate for that golf course and the golfers today. I thought that's what the U.S. Open should be.

You went to the British Open. The British Open fit the golf course and made it narrow, they even narrowed it down beyond the driving area. And they had rough like this, which we couldn't get away with at the U.S. Open. At the British Open, it was a matter of positioning your tee shot where the bunkers were so that you could play and strategize the golf course. I thought that they did a great job with that.

So I thought that the U.S. Open and the British Open were both done exactly the way it should have been done as was the Masters. The PGA Championship I think struggled in August because in August it gets soft. You can't ever firm the golf course up to the level you would like to see it firm up. I think they're probably making a good move to move it earlier. I think they're probably making a mistake if they pigeonhole themselves into the middle of May.

The reason for that is they eliminate the whole northern part of the United States. They're going to go to Oak Hill next year, and I think they're probably going to really struggle at Oak Hill in May. I think that's going to be a really tough venue for them. Oak Hill's a wonderful golf course, but will it be ready to be played in May, and will they ever be able to get anything close to firm in May?

I think the PGA Championship should move around. They moved it to February one time. I won it in 1971 in February and I thought that was a great move on their part. They were the first major championship of the year and they created a lot of excitement over doing that.

I think the PGA ought to be a little flexible and move to wherever they want to go and play at the best time of year for that fit inside the other tournaments. That's my feeling. Now, that's just me personally. Whether that's correct or not, I don't know, but that's always been my feeling.

GARY PLAYER: I've got to tell you a story when I stayed at Jack's house and we were playing in the PGA at McArthur, wasn't it?

JACK NICKLAUS: Well, it was then.

GARY PLAYER: I think we were tied going into the last round and I'm staying as Jack's guest and I thought, man, this is not a very good predicament to be in. Barbara would do the scrambled eggs. She'll put them down here, and then she would put Jack's down there. She went to make the English muffins, and before she could come back, I switched the plates back. Maybe she's put a little -- do you know what Ex-lax is? It's a little chocolate that makes you poop like crazy, you know, on the golf course. Maybe she might have just put that in to make sure her husband wins.

JACK NICKLAUS: Now, you know Barbara better than that, but I thought that's -- but don't ever let the facts get in the way of a good story.

GARY PLAYER: That's right.

Q. In making the move at Augusta to include ladies now, ladies, women members, they're even going to let the U.S. Amateur tournament finish at Augusta. If they would invite you to play on the par 3 course, which they invite all major men to play, would you accept?

ANNIKA SORENSTAM: Absolutely.

WILL McGEE: Yes.

JACK NICKLAUS: Will says yes. I think that's a pretty good answer.

GARY PLAYER: Well done, my boy.

Q. So now you're giving Gary and Jack permission to talk to the chairman to include ladies that day. That would be very special. That would grow the game.

JACK NICKLAUS: Well, I think that's -- I think that's -- I think that would be a nice addition. I don't think there's any problem with that, Charlie. I think that Augusta has always sort of

run their own show. And Gary understands, he's been a three-time champion there, maybe four this year after you outdrove me. You know, I've won a few times. I think that they really do their own thing rather than listening to us.

GARY PLAYER: Yeah, very much so.

JACK NICKLAUS: And that's okay, and we don't have any problem with that because I think they've done a pretty good job of taking care of their own business.

But do I think it would be a nice thing if -- since they are bringing -- it's a women's amateur tournament they're bringing to Augusta being played at our courses --

GARY PLAYER: Champions Retreat.

JACK NICKLAUS: Playing there, and then the last round being played at Augusta National. They may include a par 3 with that, or to have Annika come. I mean, they have -- excuse me.

They have eliminated having the honorary invitees play in the par 3. Used to have anybody who won a major championship played in the par 3, now it's only past champions. So my guess is adding more would not be something they would do, but I would think it would be a really nice thing to ask the -- whoever it might be, whether it's the reigning Women's Open champion or somebody like Annika, but to do that, I think it would be great.

And would she accept? I think Annika would be there with bells on. I think she would enjoy that because it is a fun event. And Will will be the caddie, that's exactly right. I think he would probably have -- he would probably be playing. He would want to play, right?

JACK NICKLAUS: Right. Are you ready to play, Will?

GARY PLAYER: I'll caddie for you, okay?

MODERATOR: Thanks to the three of you for taking the time to come. Go have some fun this afternoon.