

**OLLIE SCHNIEDERJANS (-13)** 

Q. Ollie, congratulations on a great tournament. What's the feeling? In contention back nine on a Sunday, you had a chance to win. You have to feel great about what you accomplished this week.

**OLLIE SCHNIEDERJANS:** Yeah, it was a lot of fun. I thought I played awesome today. I missed a little par putt on -- I thought I hit a good shot in there and the wind didn't really move it to the right, and I hit a decent chip and I thought I hit an okay putt, lipped out. That was my only bogey.

Just had a couple of putts on the back that I almost made, so I thought I hit it great and I was trying like hell to get it -- obviously a win would change my whole situation more than these guys because I'm a sponsor exemption this week. I'm just lucky to get the opportunity and take advantage of it and have a chance. I mean, first time with my brother on the bag with a chance to win a PGA TOUR event on Sunday is really fun. And I played great right off the bat, 4 under at the turn, I was right there on the back nine. So I can't really -- I don't really have any regrets today. It's just as close as you can get without getting it done. Just looking forward to Houston now, see what I can do. My game feels really good.

## Q. I think Houston may be booked, there's so many people wanting to get in, this may carry over to RSM, but either way --

OLLIE SCHNIEDERJANS: Yeah, I would love that.

Q. -- you're going to play again.

**OLLIE SCHNIEDERJANS:** I would love it to carry over to RSM. That was my first top-10 on the PGA TOUR ever in my home state. Love the golf course. Would get a couple weeks at home to get ready. I would actually prefer that, but if it ends up being Houston, I'll be ready to go for that obviously as well.

## **Q.** Talk about the confidence level now though. It's got to be high.

**OLLIE SCHNIEDERJANS:** I've had a good year. I took my offseason over before 2020 even started to really get better and tried to get some help and just was able to put a lot together this year and kind of figure out my little formula. I've been able to manage it. When I get off, I can get back on track real quick even mid-round. I was lost for a couple years, I didn't know what I was doing with my swing and really struggling tee to green. I've been able to manage it really nice this year and get some consistency and I've learned even when I've gotten off, gotten back on track, I kind of understand my stuff even better.

I have it really organized now and I was able to -- I think I have six or seven top-12 finishes on the Korn Ferry Tour this year and I'm top-10 in scoring average. Way better. I know I can do this.

So this was just a good confirmation that I'm doing a lot of good stuff. I remember coming here last year and I was -- my game was nowhere near organized like it is now and I missed the cut, so to come out here and almost win, it's a cool finish. Towards the end of 2020 I feel it's been a very successful year for me and my development and I just want to get back to the PGA TOUR and be ready to do stuff like this.

## Q. How did you keep from getting like too down on yourself about having to go back to the Korn Ferry Tour after a few years?

**OLLIE SCHNIEDERJANS:** I just used it as an opportunity for me to like get the eyes off of me and take a break from just -- it's a high responsibility playing out here. You're playing for a lot of money, it feels very important. I think it was really good for me to take a step back to the Korn Ferry Tour and use the time to just really take my time, evaluate my game and hit the reset button. Kind of used it to my advantage, I would say. You don't want to do that when you're on the PGA TOUR, you don't want to take your time. You want to be ready to go right away. I think I was able to kind of look at it as, all right, I've got 12 or 15 months to kind of get myself ready so that when I come, back I'm actually ready to do something out here. I think it worked out in my favor.