



Callaway Golf's Phil Mickelson Dominates PGA Tour's Bell South; Wins by 13-Shot Margin with Tournament Record 28-Under-Par

CARLSBAD, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--April 3, 2006--Callaway Golf (NYSE:ELY) Staff Professional Phil Mickelson put the finishing touches on the most dominating performance of his career yesterday at the TPC Sugarloaf in Atlanta, shooting a final-round 65 for a tournament record and personal-best total of 28-under-par 260 for a stunning 13-stroke victory in the Bell South Classic.

Mickelson's magnificent performance was a powerful statement on his game's readiness for this week's 70th playing of the Masters: his total of 260 tied the PGA Tour record for 72 holes on a par 72 course, set by John Huston at the 1998 Hawaiian Open; he hit a career-best 64 greens; he hit 80 percent of the fairways, 21 percent better than his season average.

To shape his drives both ways on the doglegs at Sugarloaf, Mickelson chose to employ two Big Bertha® Fusion® FT-3(TM) Drivers this week -- a 9-degree Draw configuration with a 46-inch shaft and a 9.5 with a 45-inch shaft for drives requiring a fade. He also used the Callaway Golf® X-Tour® Irons, the new X-Tour® Wedges with Mack Daddy Grooves, the new HX® Tour Golf Ball and Odyssey® White Hot XG(TM) Putter with the new multi-layer insert.

"Our new slogan at Callaway is the only thing better than an FT-3 Driver is two FT-3 Drivers," Mickelson said. "It's worked out really well. The 44 grams of internal weighting of the FT-3 Driver really works. I can take the left side out of play with one driver and the other driver fades it and takes the right side out of play.

"I knew I was going to do that at Augusta after playing there on Monday and Tuesday. There are many shots off the tee where I need different distances and I hit these drivers different distances."

Mickelson also wielded his new putter with amazing accuracy. He finished sixth in putts per round with 28, and third in putts per green in regulation at 1.594.

He led wire-to-wire, opening with a course record-tying 63 that featured 10 birdies and just one bogey. He record seven more birdies in the second round and move to weekend play at 16-under-par. Nine birdies in a 12-hole stretch on Saturday moved him to 21-under and gave him an insurmountable lead. Then in Sunday's final round he added five more birdies and a pair of eagles on the 13th and 18th holes to use as a springboard into Augusta National.

"I feel as though I'm getting really sharp, as far as distance control and many of the things I've been working on," he said. "These are going to be really crucial this week at Augusta."

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