

DEAR ABBY

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Dear Abby: My brother "Patrick" and I have known "Bobby" for about 20 years. Patrick is closer friends with him because they live in the same town. Recently, we found out that Bobby's best friend was arrested for child pornography. While Bobby knew nothing about this before the arrest, he still wants to support his friend.

I told Patrick he will no longer be welcome in my home (I host for all the holidays) if he doesn't cut off all contact with Bobby. My brother says I'm being too harsh because you can disapprove of someone's behavior and still be a friend. I think that child pornography is morally and ethically wrong and there is no middle ground here. What do you think? Should Bobby have a seat at our table? (He has no other living family.)

— *Not Welcomed in the East*
Dear Not Welcomed: I do not think you should excommunicate your brother because of something Bobby's friend did. I believe the Bible says that while you can hate the sinner, and that is what Bobby is doing. If you wish to check the reference, you may discover you have a copy somewhere in your home. You can review that chapter with your brother at your holiday table.

Dear Abby: I am 35, and my boyfriend is 31. We met at work and moved in together. It has been five years now and still no proposal. I thought we were on the same page, but

he just purchased a brand-new muscle car and is only concerned about that, buying new sneakers (he has a sneaker obsession) and making more money. I currently share a rental lease with him and am considering going my separate way in three months, mainly because he is complacent and our relationship has become stagnant. It is going nowhere. Please help.

— *Hoped For More in Pennsylvania*

Dear Hoped For More: Getting to know someone takes time. Be glad you have realized this man isn't husband material before you wasted more time waiting for him to mature. Hang in there until the lease is up, then move resolutely on, parting I hope, as "friends."

Dear Abby: I have been married to my best friend since I was 15. I am now 50. I have never had an orgasm. I want to experience one so badly that I am willing to cheat. We have talked about our sex life, and how it has not been satisfying for me. Please tell me what I can do.

— *Missing It in Indiana*

Dear Missing: Before looking for sexual fulfillment outside your marriage, you and your husband should ask your doctor for a referral to a sex therapist. You both married very young, and he may never have learned how to please a woman. This does not mean he isn't capable of learning. Frankly, because you have never experienced an orgasm, YOU may need some coaching or some "pointers."

YOUR HOROSCOPE *By Georgia Nicols*

Stars show the kind of day you'll have

★★★★★ DYNAMIC | ★★★★★ POSITIVE | ★★★ AVERAGE | ★★ SO-SO | ★ DIFFICULT

MOON ALERT: Avoid shopping or making important decisions from noon to 2 p.m. PDT today. After that, the Moon moves from Leo into Virgo.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 19, 2021: You're clever, mentally fast and compassionate. You have endurance, stamina and a wide variety of interests. You are impulsive and creative and yet, practical and detail-oriented. Your focus on close friendships and partnerships will increase in the coming year. This is your opportunity to learn more about yourself and the relationships that you want. This year will be gentler.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ Today has two distinct moods. In the morning and during the Moon Alert, you feel festive. You will enjoy taking it easy or having fun with sports and playful times with kids. Once the Moon Alert is over, it's time to be productive! Tonight: Make practical plans.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Today begins with a focus on home and family. You might have an important discussion with a female family member. During the Moon Alert, don't shop for anything except food. However, after the Moon Alert is over, you will want to have fun! Tonight: Shopping choices will be fun and practical.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ You have a strong urge to communicate today. You have something you want to say and you want to be heard. You also want to hear what others have to say. Note: During the Moon Alert midday, avoid important decisions. Don't agree to anything important. Afterward, relax at home. Tonight: Wardrobe purchases will please you.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★ Money issues are on your mind today, which is why it's important for you to be aware of the Moon Alert that occurs midday. During that time, restrict your spending to food. Make no important decisions. Tonight: A secret love affair or meeting is likely.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Things will tend to go your way today. During the Moon Alert midday, restrict your spending to food and avoid important decisions. After it's over, your mind will turn to financial matters. Tonight: Listen to the advice of someone more experienced.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Today you want to withdraw from the busyness around you. If you're working, you will prefer to work alone or behind the scenes. That's fine. During the Moon Alert midday, tread carefully. After it's over, you are empowered because the Moon is in your sign! Tonight: You make a great impression on others.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★ A conversation with a female friend might be important today. You might discuss future goals. (Avoid decision-making during the Moon Alert midday.) After the Moon Alert is over, seek out solitude and relax. Tonight: You will learn something from a teacher.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Personal details about your private life are made public today. (Whaaat?) Meanwhile, be cautious during the Moon Alert midday. Don't volunteer for anything during that time. Once it's over, enjoy schmoozing with friends online or in person. Tonight: Think about budget ideas.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ You need stimulation and adventure today, which is why you want to do something different or learn something new. Make no important decisions during the Moon Alert midday. Afterward, people notice you, especially bosses, parents and the police. Tonight: Enjoy a practical discussion with someone.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★ Financial concerns are on your mind today, especially inheritances or how to share something. Make no important decisions during the Moon Alert today. Don't sign documents then. Afterward, enjoy your day! Tonight: A practical discussion will benefit you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ Today your focus is on close friends and partners; nevertheless, do not agree to anything important during the Moon Alert. (For your own good.) After the Moon Alert is over, tie up loose ends with red-tape issues — taxes, debt and shared property. Tonight: Learn valuable information from someone older.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★ You're keen to take care of errands. You might do a favor for someone. During the Moon Alert, restrict your spending to food and gas. Afterward, a conversation with a partner or close friend will be meaningful. Tonight: It's a good time for a family discussion.

GOLF

Despite bad knee, Koepka can walk at PGA

BY BEN NUCKOLS

Associated Press

KIAWAH ISLAND, S.C. — Brooks Koepka's preparation for the PGA Championship included playing the AT&T Byron Nelson last week in Texas — just to see if he could walk 18 holes without pain in his surgically repaired right knee.

He missed the cut, but the walking wasn't a problem. Playing to the standard of a four-time major champion while doing 2½ hours of rehab a day might be tougher.

"Every day's been a long day," Koepka said Tuesday.

Koepka is two months removed from surgery to repair a dislocated kneecap and ligament damage. He's in better shape than he was at the Masters, where he hobbled his way to a missed cut while struggling to bend his knee enough to read putts or retrieve the ball from the cup. But he's hardly at full strength.

"I can't run. I'm not where I want to be. But at the same time, it's what I've got to deal with, so just move on," Koepka said. "I still have days where it sucks, when my knee just doesn't feel good waking up and it's not going to feel good all day, but those are getting less and less."



Matt York/AP photo

Brooks Koepka smiles on the 12th hole during a practice round at the PGA Championship golf tournament on the Ocean Course on Tuesday in Kiawah Island, South Carolina.

Koepka won his most recent major and second PGA two years ago at Bethpage Black. At the time, he had also won back-to-back U.S. Opens, and he swaggered into brawny Bethpage with a confidence bordering on arrogance, saying majors were "the easiest" tournaments to win because he only had to worry about a small portion of the field beating him.

Since then, injuries have taken big chunks out of his schedule and robbed him of opportunities to be competi-

tive even when he has played.

"I mean, I can play. You're never 100%, that's the thing. For two straight years it's been left knee, right knee, herniated a disk in my neck," he said. "I can deal with the pain. That's not an issue. It's just a matter of being able to hit the shots that I want to hit and do things I want to do, and I'm starting to be able to do that. Even though I'm not 100%, I can still hit the shots."

Koepka gave himself a chance at a third consecutive PGA Championship last year

at Harding Park before fading with a final-round 74. He skipped the FedEx Cup playoffs but managed a tie for seventh at the Masters.

Since then he has five missed cuts in eight starts. He also has a victory and a tie for second, although those came before the surgery.

His doctors tell him he won't be fully healthy for six more months, although Koepka believes he can improve upon that timeline. For now, the Ocean Course at Kiawah Island at least presents a more manageable challenge than hilly Augusta National.

"I feel like I can hit every shot. It's not like Augusta where I'm trying to figure out what's the best line to walk," he said. "Now I can actually hit golf shots and understand what's going on."

Most of the time, anyway. In about one out of every 20 swings with the driver, he tries to push off his right leg only to discover he can't do it. No wonder all but one question he got at his pretournament news conference was injury-related. The only reprieve was a query about the tough par-3 17th hole.

"I haven't played it yet," Koepka said.

Spieth

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He grew up playing amateur golf with Spieth in Dallas — they will be playing together the opening two rounds at Kiawah — and they still play at home. One match a few months ago at Dallas National stands out.

Spieth missed the green left of a cart path on a par 3. His partner also missed the green. Zalatoris was certain they had the hole won.

"Jordan hits this chip shot that skips through the rough, goes up, checks on the hill and then basically goes Mach3 and just slams into the back of the hole and goes in," Zalatoris said. "Then he follows it up with a 30- or 40-footer on the next hole. This is just Jordan."

"I'd seen it for the few months leading up to that, but that was when I knew, 'OK, he's back.'"

Nine years seems like a lifetime ago for the 27-year-old Spieth. He lasted only one more semester at Texas and turned pro with no status. It took him only nine months to earn temporary membership on sponsor exemptions, win on the PGA Tour, finish No. 7 in the FedEx Cup and play in the Presidents Cup.

And it only got better. The Masters and the U.S. Open in 2015, capped off by a FedEx Cup title. No. 1 in the world. The third leg of the Grand Slam at Royal Birkdale.

Spieth prefers the long term — forward and backward.

He doesn't read about himself, though he has a sense of what people are saying and writing based on the questions he get asks. He mentioned something Tiger Woods said years ago — the media and the public tend to exaggerate the bad times and the good times alike.

"I've had some pretty high ups and some pretty low lows for my age, but it's just part of the learning curve," he said. "You've just got to laugh it off and stick to your game plan and believe in yourself, bet on yourself. I've always done that, and I feel like that's paid off pretty well to this point."

"And if my next eight years are like my last eight years, I'd certainly sign up for that."

Especially if those next eight years include a Wanamaker Trophy to round out his collection. None of the other five players with the career Grand Slam — Tiger Woods, Jack Nicklaus, Gary Player, Ben Hogan and Gene Sarazen — got the final piece at the PGA Championship.

It won't be easy this week, if Tuesday was any indication, with another dose of wind strong enough to make the Ocean Course feel longer than its 7,838 yards.

The course won't play to that length. The PGA of America will move around tees depending on the wind. Before he set out for his first practice

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— Jordan Spieth

round, Spieth heard plenty of tales from players wearing out 3-iron and 4-iron into some of the par 4s.

"If the wind blows this way for the rest of the week, it's going to be a battle to just get in the clubhouse," Adam Scott said.



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Jordan Spieth chips to the 16th green during a practice round at the PGA Championship Tuesday in Kiawah Island, South Carolina.

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