

XANDER SCHAUFFELE (-6)

Q. Xander Schauffele, who very much looked forward to the ZOZO CHAMPIONSHIP, we'll talk about that in a moment, but first, let's talk about this second round, unusual circumstances. Are you satisfied with your performance in that 66 today?

XANDER SCHAUFFELE: Yeah. I think it's weird playing our second round on Saturday, but 66 is good enough and I think I'm within striking distance.

Q. What did you do well today?

XANDER SCHAUFFELE: Well, it was really quiet. JT, we got a few claps out of him today, but besides that, we were trying to sort of feed off each other to the best of our ability. Rory got off to a pretty good start, so that helped me.

Q. I mentioned the fact you were looking forward to this. Your mom was born in Chinese Taipei, moved to Japan at a young age and she was raised here in this country. You actually had Japan culture in your home in southern California. Dozens of your family members were expected to come out today, they couldn't get on the golf course. I know that's disappointing, but how big a motivation, an inspiration is it for you to be playing here in Japan?

XANDER SCHAUFFELE: It's awesome. I like personally playing abroad, away from home. I think it's great to grow the game in other places besides the States. Yeah, I'm trying to put the best show I can on for my grandparents and all my family here and I'm doing my best.

Q. As odd as it is, we are at the halfway point, but a lot of golf to play now and the next few days. What do you feel like you need to have in check in a positive direction as you move forward?

XANDER SCHAUFFELE: Just the mental state. I think we'll be playing a lot of golf tomorrow. Fortunately, the fans will be back out and I think they'll be pushing us through. I'm sure they're just as excited as we are to have them out. And just staying mentally fresh. I think we're going to play as much golf as possible tomorrow and some on Monday, so we'll see how it goes.