



Q. Congratulations, Mr. Schwab Cup winner. How does this feel?

STEVEN ALKER: Yeah, amazing. Honestly, just having friends and family and the support here this week has been amazing. Yeah, just trying to -- it will come out tomorrow, it will come out tomorrow sometime, but amazing. Playing with Paddy today, it was kind of difficult because do I chase him, do I protect. I just tried to play my game as good as I could, but he played amazing and just glad to be champion.

Q. You kind of laughed after you made that putt on 1. After everything that went on on that hole, you looked at each other and that's what you did. What was that?

STEVEN ALKER: It was just an OK, it's done, let's go to No. 2, let's get going. It was just OK, made my 5, let's go. It was just kind of a -- and after that I was like, hey, I played pretty solid. Yeah, it was just one of those moments like, OK, got No. 1 done and we're OK.

Q. Were there nerves?

STEVEN ALKER: Yeah, sure, a little bit, especially as I said, trying to chase and win the tournament but trying to win the Schwab Cup as well. There was all these scenarios and what ifs. It was hard to keep focus on me and what I was doing, but just glad to have the finish I did, a couple birdies the last five there, so it was good.

Q. When was it stop chasing Paddy and become win the Schwab Cup?

STEVEN ALKER: Yeah, it was kind of -- well, there was still five in it through 11 and then 12 he birdied and I bogeyed, so it was kind of all over. I think I asked Sam coming up 17 or 16 if we're OK, so I got the thumbs up and we're all go.

Q. Did you have any specific goals coming into this year and did your performance exceed it?

STEVEN ALKER: Yeah, just give myself as many chances as I could to win golf tournaments. Win a major, which I did, that was really cool. Then this time of the year it's kind of hard to go, yeah, I'm going to focus on the Schwab Cup and it's a long year. So it started being one of my goals kind of during the year and it worked out.

Q. When you started playing at St. Andrews back in Hamilton, I imagine a moment like this --



STEVEN ALKER: Not at 50. Being a rookie and 50 and playing out here with these guys is pretty special.

Q. What did it take to go from there to where you are now?

STEVEN ALKER: Just a lot of hard yards. It's just, you know, I've played everywhere, I've played everywhere and I think that kind of helped today in a way just playing the PGA TOUR and Australasia and Asia and Korn Ferry. Yeah, I've played everywhere. It's been an amazing journey and just to be here and to have this opportunity has been amazing.

Q. Steve, the calmness and the coolness you've shown tonight like you did all year long, how's it feel to be doing it in front of your family here in Phoenix?

STEVEN ALKER: Yeah, so cool, so cool. I can't emphasize enough how much support I've had and it's special to see it and do it and have them here. It's the coolest, it's the greatest.

Q. How are you going to celebrate?

STEVEN ALKER: I like red wine. Yeah, I don't want to mix drinks tonight, won't be a good idea, but we'll have a couple. It will probably sink in a bit more tomorrow, but yeah, this is neat, it's so cool.

