

ROUND 2 QUICK QUOTE
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KEVIN STREELMAN (-10)



Q. Kevin, another solid round for you. What worked out well for you today?

KEVIN STREELMAN: Yeah, I think I drove it and hit my irons pretty nice today. I didn't make a ton of putts, but kind of did what I was supposed to. There's just a few tee shots you've got to be really careful out there.

The greens were running beautifully today, much faster than yesterday. We all jammed our first putts pretty far past the hole so that took some on-course adjusting.

All in all, pretty happy with it, in a good position. I haven't been in the final groups in a while on a Saturday, so looking forward to that. At my age I don't have much to lose, so go out and have some fun this weekend.

Q. Mixed results for you this season. Anything specifically working well for you this week that has --

KEVIN STREELMAN: Yeah, it was cool, I was at my buddy, my coach's garage, Jake Thurm in Chicago. He's got all this 3-D technology. You get in this high-tech suit with all these flashing lights all over the place.

I had noticed my hips and my shoulders were pretty square to my target, but my rib cage was actually like 20 degrees open in -- like it's something you couldn't see with 2-D in video. All of a sudden all I'm feeling is like that with my kind of center just clicking a bit close, but now all of a sudden I'm able to feel that rotation and on both sides of the ball. It just kind of gives it a little stability versus kind of stopping and me throwing, which is always kind of my problem. Just seeing that and like a cool little 3-D avatar and cleaning that up so far has been a pretty drastic change for me.

Q. When did that happen? When did you go do that?

KEVIN STREELMAN: That was last Sunday.

I went to Chicago for a few days. I had my junior tournament with Illinois Junior Golf Association on Monday and Tuesday called The Streels. It's the first annual time we've did it. It was just awesome.

It was honestly very refreshing for me to see kids just play for the love of the game, for a trophy, for camaraderie and because they just love playing. For all that we've been dealing with out here the last 18 months, it was honestly refreshing to see pure competition, so I



enjoyed it.

Q. I think this is your first time here since 2019, the first one?

KEVIN STREELMAN: Yep.

Q. Anything about this course that's coming back to you that you like?

KEVIN STREELMAN: You know, I didn't play very well last time. I spent three days in a row with my best friends, Mike Christensen lives here, who's my first caddie, hang out with Larry at night. Just having some laughs, to be honest.

I've got -- I don't have much to lose at this point in the season, it's kind of all go. It would mean a lot to me to get to BMW. I'm from Chicago, Olympia Fields would be incredible, but I would have a lot of work to do these next three weeks. As I said, the kids are starting school, Courtney's home now, so I've got nothing to do but focus on my golf and try and make it happen.

Q. I was going to ask about your relationship, friendship with Larry. You're feeling a little bit of home here in Minnesota?

KEVIN STREELMAN: Yeah, yeah. It was nice when he invited me to stay with him, he's the best. We've been friends about 10 years now, we've done really well at Pebble Beach together.

Now with him retiring and going on to other business ventures, I'm just so happy for him. He's such a great man and a great dad. He loves to talk trash on the golf course, I love taking his money on the golf course. We have a lot of fun together.

Q. He likes playing here. Did he give you any tips on the course?

KEVIN STREELMAN: No, I don't listen to golf advice from him.

Q. Considering your position in the standings, I mean, you mentioned you want to get back to the BMW at Olympia Fields, what was the mindset coming into this week?

KEVIN STREELMAN: You know, it wasn't really an expectation type of week, it just was I'm kind of enjoying the feelings I'm have with my golf swing right now. Nice to have some like scientific data, empirical data, proof of what I'm kind of I've been doing wrong. So all of a sudden believe in that and oh, yeah, there we go. Once we get that feeling that we know is right, like it's kind of off to the races sometimes.

Hopefully it continues. Going to need to continue, there's obviously some incredibly strong golfers right behind me. Yeah, it's going to be fun and we'll keep attacking. The weather looks great this weekend, so it will be nice.



Q. I know you mentioned being at that junior tournament, it was nice to kind of step away from the craziness around the Tour. Did you have a chance to read Jay's memo that he sent out Wednesday night and what were your thoughts on that?

KEVIN STREELMAN: I was on a PAC call about an hour and a half of my pro-am. Had to apologize to my pro-am partners because I had my ear buds in, Air Pods in listening to Jay.

I think we were all very appreciative of him being open and honest about everything that's transpired, his illness, his timing, the way it was all brought out. There was some apologies, there was some tough questions, but there were a lot of answers and I think we all appreciated that.

It's not a closed book, but I think a lot of us were able to put a few things behind us. It's been heavy on us, to be honest. It's been wearing for a lot of us who have been around, who have been on the PAC and been on the board, just because we care so much.

Hopefully we kind of have direction going forward and we can come to a good agreement for the future of golf, most importantly, the fans and our sponsors and the future generations.

Q. You've been in the Playoffs a lot throughout your career, obviously this year being a different cutoff.

KEVIN STREELMAN: Yep.

Q. Has that made this kind of stretch run here feel a little different? (Inaudible) now that it's not 125, it's 70?

KEVIN STREELMAN: I haven't really been sniffing it too close, I haven't really been expecting to be there. Just kind of like I've got to focus on this round and I've got to focus on this shot in front of me to be honest. We've played enough of these tournaments crazy things can happen any one week. Just kind of staying patient and if an opportunity comes, you've got to try and grab it. But if not, you just try and get better for the next week and prepare to try and make it happen the next week.

It's what I love about our sport, too. I think it would be depressing to be on a bad baseball team and like at the end of the season, you know you can't get to the playoffs. Like Jim Herman a few years ago missed most of the cuts of the year and then he goes and wins the Wyndham. That's such a cool story and such a cool part of our game that makes us different. Feel fortunate to be able to do that.

Q. You touched on it yesterday. You still get a kick out of competing against a field that keeps getting younger?

KEVIN STREELMAN: I do, yeah, I do. My goal was always to get to 45, then try to be home



with my family for a few years before the Champions Tour.

But now that I'm pretty much there, I still feel compelled and called, I'm still passionate about practice and nutrition and fitness and like trying to improve.

I brought that up to my wife and she's like, you'd be crazy, you'd go crazy at home after two weeks sitting around. I don't know, who knows. I don't know what the future will hold, but it's been a heck of a run. My first year, if you would have told me I'd be out here 16 straight years and still doing this and having a chance to win things, I'd have said you're crazy. I feel fortunate.

And when you get opportunities, you know you've got to try and jump on them. I've had success in the past, I've played not to lose at times and I've screwed up. And in Tampa when I got my first one, I said screw it, I don't care if I shoot 64 or 84 tomorrow, I'm going to try and win this thing, ended up being able to do it. Sometimes it works, sometimes it doesn't, but you want to look back at your career and say, man, I gave it my shot that weekend, I gave it my all that shot. Sometimes it's like one shot you've got to take on or lay off and taking it on and trying to win a tournament is why we do this. Hopefully I get that opportunity.

