

**ROUND 4 QUICK QUOTE**  
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**FRANKIE CAPAN III**



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**Q. I'll actually start us off here. Frankie, just from the practice round on Tuesday, quick (indiscernible,) out on you guys, pull around out there, family and friends in tow, can you just sum up the week? How was the whole experience?**

**FRANKIE CAPAN III:** It was a pretty special week. Obviously to make my first cut on the big boy tour in my home state's pretty special, but to have pretty much my entire family out here supporting not only myself but my mom, I'm just really thankful for them.

And also the support that I got from the fans outside of my family. You know, I was trying to tip my cap and acknowledge everyone as best I could. It was hard just because they were yelling my name so much. It was really, really cool to be playing in such a big tournament and having that many people support you while you're walking the fairways and on the greens just everywhere. It was really cool.

**Q. And to have that support, you know, it was a great experience, but like you said, you made the cut out here, first cut on Tour, played some good golf. How's it make you feel about your game going forward after a week like this when there's really a lot of external things happening around you but you still put it together on the course?**

**FRANKIE CAPAN III:** Yeah, I think I referenced this in the press conference, but the U.S. Open I learned a lot to where I think it prepared me well for this week just having some distractions. I mean, my family's out here supporting and I love them for it, but it could be a distraction in a way. However, just kind of really focusing on the task at hand, really just trying to do what I can to play my best but also put on a show for them.

I think it's just been a lot of incremental growth throughout this year. And it's been really exciting for me because I can kind of see the progress that we're making not only on the golf course, but off the golf course just kind of with our process and dialing that in, so that's been really exciting.

**Q. Is there a moment that will stand out from this week as you look back?**

**FRANKIE CAPAN III:** Yeah, there's definitely a couple. I made a putt on 13 after the rain delay and there were not many fans at all, but there was probably 30 to 40 of my family members following at that moment. It was all the way across the green and when I hit it I knew I had just absolutely smoked it, it was probably going 12 feet past, but hit the back of the middle, bounced up and went in, and they all went crazy. That one was really cool.

On even 18 today I hit a 3-iron in there from the fairway and I looked at it and I was like this



is the same putt that Matthew Wolff had when he -- and he made it and ended up winning, so that was cool. I obviously didn't make it, but two-putt, made birdie.

Then just to kind of have the applause of everyone, all my family and a bunch of just fans from Minnesota is really special.

**Q. You obviously now have some starts left on the Korn Ferry Tour as you try to wrap up your card. Are you planning -- kind of what's your schedule going forward and how do you feel like recovering from this to get ready for that?**

**FRANKIE CAPAN III:** Yeah, I think I've been doing a fairly good job of being able to play four rounds and then also get recovered and ready for next week. I usually try and take Mondays off and not even touch a club sometimes, at most maybe chip and putt at the golf course.

But tomorrow, I don't know, I might wake up at like 11:00. Thankfully we were a little earlier today so I have some time to hang out and just kind of chill, hang out with family.

I actually haven't really hung out with them all that much just because they've been following and then after just kind of going about our business. So I'm happy I'll get some time with them now.

**Q. Is there anything that would ever even come close in replicating the experience of having such a large following with you up and down the course?**

**FRANKIE CAPAN III:** I would say I haven't had it before, so yeah, I don't think anything has necessarily replicated it.

I think there's other circumstances that I would say were similar in terms of how I was feeling. Like U.S. Open was something like I had a lot of adrenaline going playing in one of the biggest tournaments in the world and a lot of my family did come out for that just because it was my first major.

So a lot of similar kind of emotions and feelings, but for me, I feel like I've learned to just kind of be able to not really let that dictate kind of how I'm playing and my game. Kind of like expressing those emotions a little bit.

I would say no, not -- I mean, I've only played in three PGA TOUR events and one of them was in Puerto Rico, the other one was the U.S. Open and this one was in Minnesota. So to have everyone, I mean, pretty much every hole I was walking yelling my name or saying something or cheering or just doing crazy stuff. So yeah, it was pretty cool. I would say there's nothing that had replicated it up until this point.

**Q. Does it add any, you know, fuel or motivation, you know, coming out here this week to earn that card?**



**FRANKIE CAPAN III:** Yeah, oh, yeah. We want to be back here next year, and I don't want to have to lean on Hollis Cagner and Mike Walsh for a sponsor exemption. As much as I would appreciate one, I also want to earn our way here. Yeah, just hopefully give Minnesota and everyone a little bit more of show on the weekend.

**Q. Just coming down from this, obviously it's one thing to play on Korn Ferry for however many weeks in a row and then bounce back, but what is the process like in coming down from this and trying to make sure that focus is fully where it needs to be now for next week?**

**FRANKIE CAPAN III:** After this week, probably not too much just because even though it's a PGA TOUR event, I'm staying at home so it does feel like a pretty chill week if that makes sense.

The U.S. Open, I wouldn't call it much of a struggle per se, but the next week on the Korn Ferry Tour it felt kind of like a junior golf event to a degree just in terms of everything else going on, kind of around.

But even then, like I've really enjoyed playing on the Korn Ferry Tour, everyone out there is great. We have a bunch of events where there's similar looking grandstands to here. I.

Think it's more -- I forget his name over there, but I was telling him that I love this game so much that I could be teeing it up at a municipal golf course and I'm out there having fun. I don't think there will be a ton of a let -- or I guess much of a letdown, but I also expect there to not be probably 400 to 600 Frankie Capan fans in the crowd cheering along as we're walking down a fairway. So, yeah, really nothing too special.

**Q. What has to happen the rest of the way for you to --**

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**Q. What has to happen the rest of the way this season for you to to --**

**FRANKIE CAPAN III:** A win would lock up my card, for sure. A win would do it, or maybe a couple top-5s, I would say. The playoff events are elevated a touch in the points, so probably two good finishes there. I don't really know exactly how many points you need per se, but I'm at like 570, 560 something, so I'm 34th. After today's event, depending on who plays well, I'll probably be anywhere from like 36th to 38th. I mean, I like to say get one win and we'll be good.

**Q. Took that pretty literally. I meant just the way you've been playing, is that going to be good enough?**

**FRANKIE CAPAN III:** Oh, yeah, I would say yeah. The way I've been playing I would say is



going to be good enough, yeah. I don't know. That's why I'm trying not to think about it too much because I feel like I've been kind of making some progress and then feeling more and more comfortable getting towards the lead.

You know, even on Friday, like I knew I needed to make some birdies coming in, but also had birdie holes and was able to step up and kind of take advantage of those. Really didn't feel too nervous throughout the week, just kind of going about my business.

**Q. What is your biggest takeaway from this one now that you'll take forward?**

**FRANKIE CAPAN III:** I'll have to think about it a little bit. There's definitely areas in my golf game that need to be more -- my approach stats this week were -- like yesterday I was ranked 71 out of 73 players, so that's pretty brutal. Today I don't think they were much better.

There's a lot of areas of my game that I feel really good with and very comfortable with hitting certain shots and doing certain things out there, but there's just kind of this little gap in my iron play that I've just kind of struggled with a little bit. Once I get a handle on that, I think we'll see some lower numbers coming out.

**Q. What would be your message to the fans, your friends, your family, your mom on the bag, what would be the message to them after a week like this?**

**FRANKIE CAPAN III:** I just, I love them so much. I'm just incredibly thankful for them and their support. I can't wait to just go out there and hang out with them a little bit now. Really, just I love them and I'm thankful for them and looking forward to spending some time with them now.

