

---

**Q. Xander, how happy are you with 69 out there today?**

**XANDER SCHAUFFELE:** Yeah, it was getting away from me a little bit. Didn't feel like I was playing that poorly, just hit some bad shots at the wrong times on some of those par 4s. It was nice to see some putts go in there late and finish off with a birdie.

**Q. How huge was the finish, three birdies in the last five holes to get you right in the mix going into the weekend?**

**XANDER SCHAUFFELE:** Yeah, there aren't too many leaderboards, but I saw the lead was at like 6-ish and then saw he was at 7. So just need to stay in touch going into the weekend.

**Q. The conditions in general, just how difficult was that to endure today, especially just knowing that everyone was going to struggle in staying patient?**

**XANDER SCHAUFFELE:** Yeah, it was hard. It seemed to be a lot of crosswinds on most of the holes, made it hard to hit it close. The par 5s were probably the only holes that you could birdie, and if you didn't hit in the fairway, you're struggling. So I did that early on and was able to clean it up late. Yeah, I think everyone's happy that the round's over.

**Q. Did the fans help you at all today, their positive attitude knowing you guys are in for a tough day?**

**XANDER SCHAUFFELE:** Yeah, yeah, they're clapping at the right times and showing support. Yeah, we had some troupers out there on the corners of the property cheering us on.