

ROUND 3 QUICK QUOTES
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SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER (-9)

Q. Scottie, so nice 66 to finish strong at the end. How would you characterize your day and how it went out there?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yeah, feel like I did a lot of stuff really well out there today. Feel like I played better than my score. I had a few shots I didn't really get rewarded for and somewhat punished for some pretty good shots.

But overall, yeah, it was nice to finish with those two birdies. Hit a really good shot into 16, good shot into 17. Yeah, felt like I did a lot of things well today.

Q. The crowd, just energy out there, there's just so much love for you among the fans here. What's it like to just know that you bring so much joy to so many people with the golf you play and the way you play the game?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yeah, it's a treat to be able to play out here for a living, it really is. I can't emphasize that enough, and to have the support of the fans out here, especially my home state, is really fun.

I don't look up very much when I'm playing, I like to do my best to stay kind of in my own little world out there. Sometimes they can be a bit emotional when they're cheering for you really loud. It's a great feeling and I do my best to stay kind of in the moment and stay present so I try not to look up too much but I really do appreciate what they do out there. I really do hear the screams and it's fun to be playing in front of a nice crowd.

Q. Did you have a favorite shot that you hit today or a shot that pumped you up with how you executed it?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I hit two really good iron shots into 16 and 17. I felt like I hit, starting on hole 12 I felt like I hit a lot of really, really good golf shots, like approach shot -- actually, I guess starting on 10, I had a really good iron shot in there, good shot into 11, 12 really good shot. But mostly the ones that stick in my head is how I bounced back after the unlucky break there on 15, I kind of bounced back there, hit a great shot into 16 and the one on 17 was really nice. That's a really tough pin to get it close to and I hit a shot that came off exactly how I wanted it to and was fortunate to get in there close to the pin.

Q. Do you have a strategy of like when you have a shot like that on 15 how long you allow yourself to feel like disappointment or does that just kind of depend on the shot and the day?



SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I don't know, it's hard to say. Like that one there, it's a horrendous break really. There's really just nothing else. I hit a great shot and the ball goes in the water. It's not great, but it happens, it's part of the game. So I could really kind of walk up there knowing that I hit a good shot and I just did my best to get it up and down. I failed to do so, the pin was kind of sitting in a weird spot there. Hit a good putt that didn't go in, but overall I can't get too upset, I hit a really good shot. I always talk about my process and that's a shot there where I did exactly what I wanted to do and I just got unlucky. As long as my process is good, then I'm in a good spot.

Q. What did you think that shot was going to end up like when you were watching? Did you think it was going to be within five, 10 feet?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yeah, for sure.

Q. And did you expect it to spin back even off the green?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I didn't expect it to spin back, I didn't expect it to spin back off the green and I didn't expect it to be in the water. Especially the way the crowd was, they got really excited so I assume it got pretty close to the hole.

But I'm proud of how I bounced back there. I hit a really great shot into 16, that's one that may be understated on the scorecard or on the coverage. That was a really hard shot that I had. I hit just nearly a perfect 4-iron to get a good look there for eagle. Hit a good putt that didn't go in, but really proud of how I bounced back.

Q. You're obviously no stranger to winning, with the chance to win three straight tomorrow. What's kind of the process in your mind? Do you allow yourself to think about that at all and just kind of what the significance of that would be?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Not really. Winning the last two doesn't help me do anything tomorrow. We're still tied for the lead or one back, I don't know what the guys behind me are doing right now on 18.

Yeah, stick to my process. I think it's going to be another pretty challenging day out there with high winds. Stick to my process and control what I can control out there.

