

ROUND 3 QUICK QUOTES
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AKSHAY BHATIA (-15)

Q. Akshay, that was a really solid round of golf. You mentioned yesterday wanting to tidy up some things especially off the tee. I thought you drove it brilliantly and just kept the golf ball right in front of you all 18 holes for the most part.

AKSHAY BHATIA: Yeah, hit it a lot more solid today. A lot of toe balls and heel cuts yesterday and today I hit it a lot more solid off the tee. Swing felt a little better and I think just playing in the morning versus a little later helps as well, adrenaline as well.

Q. Do you feel moments out there, because I thought rolling in that putt on 9 to make the turn, it was a moment in this round of golf that really settled you in. You had a great back nine with that momentum.

AKSHAY BHATIA: Yeah, I don't know if there's a specific moment, I just kind of kept to my game plan and waited very patiently for some good things to happen. I just kept executing, I kept executing and it was a great kind of a nice stress-free round.

Q. You talk about your experience on this golf course, having experience that you maybe don't have at a lot of stops. What about that experience will lend itself to positive play tomorrow to get this thing across the finish line?

AKSHAY BHATIA: I mean, just understanding where you can miss it, understanding your holes that you can attack and understanding the importance on certain tee shots. You put the ball in the fairway, especially on some tee shots, you have a great chance to make 3 or 4. This golf course, I don't know, it just makes you focus that much harder. Even the par 5s out here aren't easy to make birdies. Thankfully, I've just done a great job today and hopefully can keep that going tomorrow.

