U.S. Amateur Four-Ball

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Mac Scott Trey Diehl

Quick Quotes

Q. So talk to me a little bit -- tell me about the day overall?

MAC SCOTT: It was a long one. It was good. I feel like we played two or two pretty big like Mid Am sides and took both of them down. Pretty happy about that. Feel like we got two teams and got two pretty good shots and beat them both, so confidence is really high.

But overall, we just hit a lot of good golf shots. Ham and egged pretty well, fed off each other. We had a few bad holes but stayed focused and played good golf all day.

Q. Yeah.

TREY DIEHL: Yeah, the guys we played with all day were on our tails. I mean, shoutout to both sides there. They both played unbelievable.

We got paired with in the morning match a couple guys that we are kind of familiar with and kind of knew, so we had some good conversation throughout that match. Had a lot of fun. It went down to 18 again.

And then this afternoon was a grind. It was windy. I mean, we made a ton of birdies, both sides did. Went down to the wire and came out on top.

I don't know what else to say.

Q. So you go 1-down, tie it, 1-down, tie it, then 1-up. What was that like? You mentioned they're Mid Ams, experienced. This is your first match play event. What was going through your head?

MAC SCOTT: It was pretty crazy. So the morning match it was like -- the course is playing a lot tougher today than the last couple days, a lot tougher. This course is so long and pins felt a little tougher. We knew it was kind of going to be a grind.



First match it was lots of pars. We were just kind of getting by with pars and birdie every now and then. Then for whatever reason in the second match both teams were making putts and it was kind of a mentality of we knew we were only going to win if we made birdie.

So, yeah, I don't know if it was a different mentality where they made some birdies and that kind of kicked us into gear or we just played a little better.

But anyway, it was back and forth and it was a dogfight for sure.

Q. I hear you're driving greens left and right more or less. I don't want to say how easy does it make it for you to win a hole or whatever, but how much does it help you guys?

TREY DIEHL: Yeah, I thought that was a pretty big momentum boost for us in the morning match. I hit it pretty much greenside on No. 9 in the morning and got up and down for birdie.

I think got us back to all square maybe.

MAC SCOTT: Yeah, it's a big advantage, too, just kind of confidence just being 20 yards ahead of guys in the fairway. Every single hole they're looking at our backs all day. I don't know, kind of feel like they're chasing us a little bit.

TREY DIEHL: Yeah, having wedges into these holes, and I mean, some we could get it pretty close to the green like I said. Like even like No. 8. I was pretty much pin high in this afternoon match today, which was a nice bonus.

But it's definitely a big advantage for us.

Q. Yeah. And you mentioned it being tougher. Obviously was the wind like picking up like crazy? What was it like for you guys out there in those conditions?

MAC SCOTT: Honestly it was kind of surreal seeing a beautiful golf course like this and felt like we were the only ones out there. There are only eight groups and were all pretty spaced out. It was kind of -- I mean, really I was just happy to be out there and just kind of appreciating that.

. . when all is said, we're done."

I don't know. Just felt like that kind of kept me grounded and just, you know, it's just golf. Let's have fun and be out here. Even though it's tougher and we got to grind a little more and we're tired, it's still golf and still a lot of fun.

Q. Yeah.

TREY DIEHL: Yeah, this is such a beautiful course and piece of property here, like Mac said. I think there was only eight groups and then down to four. Felt like we had the place to ourselves pretty much, which was awesome.

And with the wind, personally I really enjoy playing in the wind because I like knocking my shots down and kind of driving them in, so I feel like the wind played to our advantage today for sure.

Q. Going back to you mentioned Mid Ams, beating Mid Ams, today, how much have you guys played against people at that age, at that level, and was that something you were thinking about coming into this week, that you were going to have to beat people like that?

MAC SCOTT: I've got not a ton of experience playing with Mid Ams. Played with a lot of college players and professionals back up at school.

We got some really solid pros at our facility that practice there and will play with us, so I would say that's really the main competition that has really sparked my game.

TREY DIEHL: I played with a good amount of Mid Ams and I know not to count them off or take them for granted. Even though their games might not look super sexy, they know how to golf their ball and get in the hole.

Even in this morning's match and afternoon, we were hitting it by guys but we knew they were going to make birdies and we just had to play our game.

Q. Last question: Mentality, prep for tomorrow; what does to look like?

MAC SCOTT: I don't know if we're going to hit any balls anymore. I don't think the --

TREY DIEHL: Yeah, we're a little too tired to hit balls.

MAC SCOTT: You know, eat a good meal, hopefully go to bed kind of early, and just trying to rest as much as possible for tomorrow.

Today was long. Hope it works out for tomorrow and can't



wait to do some damage out there again.

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