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Scottie Scheffler

Quick Quotes

Q. How would you assess the roller coaster nature of that second round?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I wouldn't really consider it a roller coaster, I just got off to a slow start and made a few mental errors early, which was a little sloppy. And then I did a did good job focusing down the stretch, those last 12, 13 holes, I played a really clean round of golf. I think I only had one bogey on No. 1, I just got a really weird break. Other than that I played really solid and stayed focused, even though I was getting a little tired there at the end.

Q. How many holes did you play?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: 30 today.

Q. What was the hardest part about it?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I think just staying focused the whole time. These days get kind of long and if you kind of take a little mental break on this golf course it's going to punish you really quick. So you got to stay on the whole time and there's no shots where you, that you can really take lightly out here.

Q. How much more difficult was the rough after all the rain yesterday?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: It was just as bad as it was the beginning of the week. When it gets this length it's just tough no matter what the conditions.

Q. (No Microphone.)

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Physically? For me physically I feel like I get a little bit lazy with my thoughts. So like I think I hit one lazy shot today, it was on No. 3, the pin was on the right, I was just trying to hit a little left of the pin and I just got lazy and I hit a little pull. And that was really the only time I made a mistake mentally, other than those first two holes. So going that many holes of golf --

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Q. (No Microphone.)

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yeah, just kind of not being fully committed and making just kind of a lazier golf swing.

Q. (No Microphone.)

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I was still on the green, but it was a wedge that I hit to 30 feet, which -- maybe 35 feet -- which is not -- I mean, you want to give yourself a look there.

Q. I'm sure it was tough yesterday only playing a few holes. How did you approach it knowing you were going to have to play 30? What does that mindset have to be?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: So we did this a lot in college, we played a lot of 36-hole days, so I always had or I felt like I always had success on those days. And so for me I was almost a little bit excited to be able to play that many holes-in-one day. I always felt like my game trended the more the round went on. I got off to a little slow start after the first round completed, but other than that I feel like I played some really solid golf today.

Q. How much does it help that you're young?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: It doesn't hurt. Most guys out here are in pretty good shape though.

Q. How much has the golf course dried out?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I think it's dried out really well. The greens still are very receptive, but there wasn't any spots of casual water or anything like that, so the drainage out here seems to be working pretty well. I had one embedded ball the last 36 holes, so I think that's pretty good.

Q. You've been in contention before, obviously only halfway through, how close to you feel you are to breaking through and getting that first win?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yeah, I feel like I'm really close. I just got to keep giving myself chances, playing good golf. This year I feel like I haven't hit the ball as good as I needed to, to be able to compete and win, but I feel like my

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irons are starting to turn around, I'm starting to hit some really good shots and I feel like my game's in good shape.

Q. What time did you wake up this morning?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: 4:30.

Q. How tough was that?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I mean, I'm used to that. I think usually I'm first off in the waves anyway, so I wake up -- it's better than the 3s.

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