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La Quinta, California, USA

PGA WEST Pete Dye Stadium Course

Xander Schauffele

Quick Quotes

Q. Xander, great round today. Bogey-free, 9-under 63. You told Doug out here a minute ago, a lot better than yesterday. Talk a little bit about today.

XANDER SCHAUFFELE: Just was able to lock in. Had a decent hitting session late into the dark last night. Just trying to find something to go with the day, and, fortunately, worked.

Q. You mentioned you feel like an older guy out here, you're well established. Just a few comments about how you're feeling, big picture, about your game as you're heading into the season?

XANDER SCHAUFFELE: Yeah, it's weird, these tournaments where the cut's 13-under, everyone's making a bunch of birdies, you feel like you par three, four holes in a row, you feel like you're losing complete sight of the tournament. So, it's a strange one, playing super early in the season, with a ton of birdies. I think it's just the weather. Usually there's a little bit of wind out here, and the course has been, the wind's been pretty benign. So, yeah, the game overall feels pretty good, I feel healthy, and just ready to get the year going.

Q. The amateur, obviously, playing incredibly well. Just a few thoughts on that.

XANDER SCHAUFFELE: Yeah, these kids, I think I heard he's a sophomore in college, Dunlap, and he's obviously not afraid. To go out and shoot 60 at La Quinta on moving day is pretty impressive.

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