

# Valspar Championship

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Innisbrook Resort (Copperhead)

## Adam Schenk

### Quick Quotes

**Q. Second round 69. 7-under through 36, currently leading. Pretty happy with this first couple of days so far?**

ADAM SCHENK: Yeah, it couldn't have went a whole lot better. I feel like a lot of times you play a couple rounds of golf, maybe shoot 2-under, and you're like, it could have been six or seven. But it really couldn't have been a ton better with the amount of putts I made. Just continue that over the weekend, hit our lines.

We're doing a really good job managing the courses and that's why I've made more cuts this year, which we really made a point to. I mean, if you're showing up at a tournament -- I'm not trying to win every tournament, but I don't like missing cuts. So just really making a point to really be above average at course management. I think we've done a good job of that so far this year.

**Q. Heading to 18 tee at 8-under, unfortunate bogey at the last. Can you walk us through that hole and what happened?**

ADAM SCHENK: I hit a pretty good drive. I don't think that fairway is really possibly to hit, or at least I haven't hit it very many times, maybe 2 feet in the right rough, and had a -- not a terrible lie, and it just kind of fluffed out. I got up there and fortunately it wasn't plugged. I hit a good bunker shot. There wasn't much sand in the bunker. Maybe four and a half feet above the hole.

I don't know if I hit that bad a putt, but it really broke left, and I thought it was going to be more straight. But I should have bogeyed, arguably, hole 8, 10, 11. So stealing one the other way isn't so bad. The course has got a get a couple of 'em back.

**Q. Was there anything early in the week that you kind of worked on in particular to get ready for this or was it kind of status quo?**

ADAM SCHENK: Not really. I missed the cut at PLAYERS, and I was home for three and a half days and



didn't touch a club. I would have practiced, but the weather was so bad in Indiana, I really couldn't. So flew into Valspar Tuesday afternoon and got a little practice in and then played nine holes and then teed up in the pro-am and away we went.

**Q. So you live full-time in Indiana?**

ADAM SCHENK: Split time Florida and Indiana.

**Q. What time of year do you make -- is this kind of the beginning of making it back to Indiana?**

ADAM SCHENK: Exactly, yeah. The weather is just now starting to get warm enough. So it's nice.

**Q. You've played a lot of weeks in a row. That's been documented on Twitter. Could you speak to just what's inspired you to play so many weeks in a row? It's a lot of golf.**

ADAM SCHENK: I've generally played a lot anyway, but having a little baby boy here in about a month and a half, so trying to make as many points as I can to take as much time off as I can and spend time with him and my wife, which will be very special.

**Q. Is there anything about kind of pacing yourself, any tips or tricks you've learned over the years as a pro to keep make sure you're rested for Thursday?**

ADAM SCHENK: Yeah, lots of ways. There's different ways you can practice. Reading a book. Like that's very calming for me. So that might be better practice for 30 minutes than coming out here and beating balls for an hour and a half. So I can go back home and read myself help psychology books or whatever and have a couple beers. I watch a lot of college basketball this afternoon. I don't have to think about golf, I don't have to do it for about another day, I'm guessing. If I'm not in the last group, I'll be close. So I don't know exactly what the tee times are, but assuming I'll be close to the last.

**Q. Is that something that's kind of evolved over your career, that mindset that it's okay to not practice as**



**much or has that always been there?**

ADAM SCHENK: It can. It's tricky. Sometimes you need the practice and then you put in the practice and you get better. But then you kind of wear out towards the end of a tournament. But if you don't practice then you never had the confidence and you never maybe figured something out in your swing to be able to put you in a good position. So it kind of goes both ways. Who knows. To each their own.

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