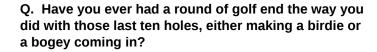
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Scottie Scheffler

Quick Quotes



SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Last time I can think of was in high school was when I had that many birdies and bogeys, in a practice round in high school.

Q. How would you assess the way things went out there today?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: There are two ways to look at it. Either I messed up what could have been a really special round, or I fought back really hard after a lot of mistakes. I think that's how -- that's my takeaway from today. I made a lot of mistakes, but I didn't let it get to me. I kept fighting back and I made a bunch of birdies when I had to.

Coming back after all those bogeys, especially on this golf course where a bogey feels like a double, and to come back and make some quick birdies was really nice.

Q. I was about ready to ask you how much pressure there might be when there is so many birdies out there on this golf course and the scoring is so good for you to continue to put the pedal down?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yeah, you have to be really aggressive around this course. The lead right now is 9-under and I don't think we're going to get too much wind the rest of the week. The golf course is going to be very gettable for the whole week.

Q. What was it like out there with the home crowd spurring you and Jordan on?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yeah, it was awesome. It was a lot of fun. Nice to hear some noise. Last few holes got a little rowdy, which was enjoyable.

Q. Got a local question here for you. Did you win state championship at Highland Park on a sprained ankle; is that true?



SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yeah.

Q. So the question is: Can you share the story and what it was like telling your coach about how you sprained the ankle?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: My high school coach?

Q. Yeah.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I sprained it playing pick up basketball in one of my buddy's backyards. Silliest injury ever. I was just running down the court and there was like a ginormous acorn in which I then rolled my ankle on the acorn, and my buddies are freaking out because they hear the crack of the acorn.

I mean, I had just called my coach. My dad was the funniest ones. He thought I was covering up for one of my buddies. He probably still does believe me this day that that's how I rolled my ankle. It's the truth. Just a silly injury, kind of a fluke deal.

My high school coach was not worried at all. He's a pretty level-headed guy and he knew I was going to play, so wasn't too much of a concern for him.

Q. Beware the injured golfer, right?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yeah, just taped it up and flared it out and played golf.

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