## The Amateur Championship

Quick Quotes Thursday, 22 June 2023

# Frank Kennedy

Q. Through to the quarterfinals here at The Amateur Championship. There's a smile on the fairways and greens. You must be feeling very proud of yourself right now?

FRANK KENNEDY: Yeah, it was definitely a grind coming in after obviously the tiredness kicking in but happy to just about get over the line.

Q. It did look like there was a few moments of stress there on 18. Can you talk us through what was going on?

FRANK KENNEDY: Yeah, I obviously thought the putt was a little slower than I anticipated so I hit it probably nine feet by and then missed my putt for par and then standing and watching while he's got the putt to take it to extra holes was definitely stressful.

Q. A huge amount of relief, I'm sure, when you saw that you had the win?

FRANK KENNEDY: Yeah, definitely. Looking forward to just chilling out tonight and then going again tomorrow.

Q. As you say, we are playing a lot of golf this week and fatigue does start to creep in. Is recovery more important than practise at this point?

FRANK KENNEDY: At this point you've played so much golf and you're in the rhythm of it and know what you're doing. It's more shorten the warm up and sleep in longer to keep the energy up.

Q. You've had some really nice wins so far in this championship. Looking ahead to tomorrow, are you feeling confident?

FRANK KENNEDY: Yeah, I'm feeling confident.

Obviously I played very nice this morning and noon I dropped a few silly shots but made some nice clutch putts coming in and just about it but tidy up that and I'll be all set for tomorrow morning.

Q. What's been working really well for you this week?



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FRANK KENNEDY: Definitely my iron game. Been very dialed with my numbers and stuff so just a few more putts to drop and they will be all good.

Q. Do you feel like there might be nerves for you tomorrow, so young and this is such a big championship?

FRANK KENNEDY: I've been in these positions before in big events. More just sticking to routines and sticking to the plan.

Q. You have a TOUR caddie with you this week. In big moments and as we get into the business end, how valuable is it having someone so experience walking alongside you and helping you?

FRANK KENNEDY: It's very helpful. Obviously it's more the fact of the things I know, using all the different -- how the different grasses will work and like lies, all that stuff. More just talking through the shots and that's been really good this week so far. So obviously just keep that going and hopefully make a few more putts over tomorrow and maybe.

Q. You're lucky to be in position to have some great mentors, Faldo, Fanny. Do you feel at this age, you're a sponge soaking in the knowledge and wisdom?

FRANK KENNEDY: Everything I hear and I just listen to everything they say and just take little snippets from everything. It's great.

Q. Do you think that gives you a little bit of an edge?

FRANK KENNEDY: Maybe. Obviously still got to play the shots and stuff. It's very cool.

Q. What is your natural shot shape?

FRANK KENNEDY: Definitely a draw.

Q. What's your favourite yardage for your wedges?



FRANK KENNEDY: 90 yards.

#### Q. What's your favourite club?

FRANK KENNEDY: Definitely my driver. Love my driver,

TaylorMade Stealth 2.

### Q. Where is your miss?

FRANK KENNEDY: This week it's been a little to the right. With the fatigue kicking in the swing, but get it all sorted for tomorrow.

#### Q. What's the biggest strength of your game?

FRANK KENNEDY: Iron game definitely.

#### Q. What holes at Hillside really suit your eye?

FRANK KENNEDY: I really like the par 3s. The tee shots, because it's firming up, they are a little funky sometimes because the wind direction changing and everything. But I love the par 3s. The par 3s are cool.

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