



Xander Schauffele

Quick Quotes

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Q. First impressions, practice round, first nine holes, what are you feeling?

XANDER SCHAUFFELE: Yeah, I think a little bit of weather kind of came through. It's a little softer than you'd think. But I think that's a little bit of a warning shot. I'm expecting it to be really firm and fast. I think everything looks really healthy and everything is in a good place to push it.

Come Thursday with hotter weather and maybe a little bit of wind, this will be a really firm and fast test.

Q. Do you still have that feeling of climbing back, that things are getting better?

XANDER SCHAUFFELE: Yeah, for sure, I'm definitely trying. Believe it or not, I was trying my hardest last year, too. It's nice to see a few results, but for the most part, yeah, definitely working on a few things and trying to get myself back into the picture here.

Q. How is life on the road being a dad and how many things you have to carry with you?

XANDER SCHAUFFELE: Yeah, traveling is different. It's cool. It's really nice. I think obviously I'm sure it's a little more stressful to travel for mom, but selfishly for me, it's really cool to go home and wake up with the little guy there.

Q. You've been to a few of these Masters now. If you were a patron and you had one day here, what's your day look like? What are you eating? Where are you going?

XANDER SCHAUFFELE: I feel like I would try it all, to be honest. If I'm on the grounds, I'd probably drink everything, try everything. Definitely get the peach ice cream sandwich, all the sandwiches they have to offer.

Q. Are you combining any?

XANDER SCHAUFFELE: No, no, you've got to space it out a little bit. The course is a sneaky hike. I think people don't realize that when you watch it on TV. You've got to come and walk it in person to realize how tired you are after walking 18 holes. Plenty of room for food and drink.

Yeah, probably blow up the merchandise shop, too, just get everything in there.

Q. Based on your experience, things that you shouldn't do and things you want to accomplish here?

XANDER SCHAUFFELE: Yeah, I think speed on the greens is going to be crucial, as always, with them being firm and fast. Big accomplishment to keep three-putts off the card. I think that's always a big goal here at Augusta. Then positioning.

If you can really be disciplined, make sure your good shots are great but make sure your bad shots are in the correct

spots, that's how you need to play to be in contention on this property, and I think everyone knows that. The hard part is doing it.

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