

# PGA Championship

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## Scottie Scheffler

### Flash Quotes



THE MODERATOR: Scottie Scheffler is with us now. We will jump right into questions.

**Q. Scottie, with everything that's happened this week I'm sure it's been a tumultuous time, but can you just even try to put this week into words?**

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: (Laughing). Yeah, I'm not really quite sure. I think "hectic" would probably be a good description. Overall right now how I'm feeling, I'm fairly tired, definitely a lot more tired than I have been finishing some other tournaments. But I'm proud of today how we went out there and fought. I got off to kind of a slow start and I was able to kind of get some momentum and post a good round and give myself some good momentum.

Yesterday obviously was quite frustrating and a bit of a different day, but overall proud of how I fought this week. Was fortunate to be out here competing, doing what I love.

Out on the golf course the support this week that I got from the fans was tremendous. The support I got from the players and caddies and everybody inside the ropes was tremendous. So I'm very grateful to have the community that we have out here on the road and to have their support.

**Q. How much of yesterday's round do you ascribe to the circumstances or how much of it was just golf and a bad day?**

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I mean, it's hard to tell. I think I would attribute it mostly to a bad day. I think when you come out here to compete, you're out here competing, you're doing what you can throughout the course of the round to post a score and I wasn't able to get that done yesterday. Did I feel like myself? Absolutely not. Was my warm-up the way it usually is and the distractions were they normally are? Absolutely not. But I'm not going to sit here and say that's why I went out and played a bad round of golf yesterday.

I got arrested Friday morning and I showed up here and

played a good round of golf, as well. So I've been good throughout my career or I'd say that I've gotten better throughout my career of leaving the off-course distractions at home and kind of keeping a pretty quiet personal life, and this week obviously that was not the case. I'm not going to sit here and say that I played poorly yesterday because of what happened on Friday. I just had a bad day out on the course and was proud of how I came out here and bounced back today.

**Q. Was there a moment where kind of the gravity of what happened on Friday and the strangeness of what happened on Friday finally started to sink in?**

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yeah, probably Saturday morning. I think it finally hit me what really happened. Friday most of the day I didn't really even eat. I came up here and had a couple bites of some eggs and a piece of bacon and went out and played. We were sitting at home, and I realized that I hadn't even eaten dinner yet and it was almost 9 o'clock at night, and I wasn't hungry. As somebody who's a pretty big eater, that was a strange feeling, so obviously my body was a bit off with what had happened in the morning.

But like I said, I did my best to leave that behind me and come out here and compete and do what I love, and the support I got from the fans was amazing. I think they were cheering extra loud for me this week, and I got a lot of support from the players and caddies as well. A lot of people showing their support, a lot of players telling me how much they love me and stuff like that, and like I said, I'm really grateful to have the community that we have out here and the support of the people inside the ropes for sure.

**Q. Have the "free Scottie" chants gotten old yet after the last two days?**

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I mean, I think when you're out there inside the ropes, I don't really hear too much of it. It's nice to hear your name. I heard a lot of "Scottie" chants. I didn't hear too many of the "free Scottie" chants, but I definitely heard a lot of "Scottie" chants.



Like I said, it's great to have the support of the fans. Being able to play out here in front of them week in, week out is one of the greatest joys of my life for sure. So being able to do that this week and play another major championship, it was fun. Obviously the results weren't what I was hoping for at the beginning of the week, but overall I'm proud of how I fought this week.

**Q. As you walked off 18, kind of signed your card and whatnot, what is your, can you describe how you're feeling, is there a sense of relief or is there a sense of what might have been this week. I know you took a long look at the scoreboard on 18.**

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: At the moment, you know, I put my head down on the scorer's table and I think I about fell asleep, so I'm just kind of just wondering what time bedtime is. I'm trying to figure out how quickly I can get home from here and, yeah, that's pretty much it. I think I'm just fairly tired and ready to get home.

**Q. As a quick follow, you're on a list to play next week. Do you know what your plan is and do you have to come back for that Tuesday thing or is that something your lawyer can handle?**

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I think it's all up in the air. I'm not really sure what the next days have in store. I think I'm able to get home tonight, but we'll see when I leave here. I haven't really had much chance to assess the situation off the course. I signed my card and then came straight over here. So we'll see, but hopefully we'll be able to get home tonight.

**Q. Having Ted back on the bag today, how much did that help?**

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I think having Teddy out is always helpful. I've talked a lot about how great is he for me out there on course and keeping me in a good head space. Obviously yesterday was a bit of a different day, but it's up to me to come out here and hit the shots and execute, and yesterday I wasn't able to do that, and today I got off to the slow start, but we did a good job of staying patient and coming out and having a really, really nice back nine to have a decent finish to the week.

**Q. If I could just clarify, are you unsure if you are required to be here Tuesday or is it a choice, and also, either way, are you planning to play next week?**

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I mean, as of now I'm planning to play next week. As far as the off-the-course stuff goes, I'm not really sure.