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Scottie Scheffler

Quick Quotes

Q. You had no bogeys all tournament and then you had one on 17, rebounded with a 30-foot birdie putt on 18. What was going through your mind when you made it on the last hole?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I was glad it was going toward the cup. I hit it a little bit too firm. I struggled a little bit with the speed of the greens today. It's tough when the wind gets blowing that hard. Like 18 I'm putting downhill but straight into the wind, and depending on what kind of gust I get, it's going to move that ball around on the green a lot.

That one I was just trying to make sure I got to the hole because putting downhill when the greens kind of get iffy late in the day is very tough, so it's much easier when you're on the other side of the hole putting up. Fortunately that one hit the bottom of the cup.

Q. How big of a boost mentally was the chip-in on 10? You had some pretty close calls afterwards obviously on 11 and then I think it was 14 you had a pretty good look, too.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yeah, yeah, I mean, I was playing good golf. It was really tough out there. I don't know if you were out there on the golf course, but the winds were up really high. The greens were actually pretty firm, and so it was challenging. The birdies were not coming easy to anybody out there late in the day.

Q. For you, what was the key to navigating those winds when they got pretty blustery mid round?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: You're just trying to hit good shots. You can't do anything about the gusts. Just kind of what happens. You've just got to be committed to what you're doing. Hopefully if I hit enough good shots, I'll be able to get a few good breaks and some bad ones, as well, and just kind of ride things out.

Q. Do you have any stories from the round about when the wind really did something to your golf ball, either carried it farther or maybe --



SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Most of the back nine I felt like the golf ball was just going forever. I hit it past the pin on 12, past the pin on 13, then 14 was one where it was a similar angle to what I had on 12, and the numbers worked out great to where I was like, if I just hit the same shot, I'll be really good here, and I pulled it slightly. It may have been couple yards further, and it flew like almost 25 yards past the pin because the wind just died. That's just stuff that kind of happens out there.

Then like we get to 16, and that pin in the morning was probably a really easy pin, but then the wind starts blowing 25 and the green gets firm, it's very hard to actually get it there close to the hole. That's just one example of how the golf course changes as the day goes on.

Q. How do you sort of reset your plan when the wind blows here because when the wind doesn't blow, as you showed yesterday, you can get around?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yeah, this is a golf course you have to be pretty careful around. It's very challenging. When you get things going in the right direction, you can really score, but the same goes when things go in the wrong direction. Just try to stay in the moment and hit good quality shots.

Q. Did you play defensive golf today?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I just played golf. I just try and hit good shots and just kind of work your way around the golf course.

Q. You said it was good to be in command of the golf tournament. Do you have a different mindset when you're playing in the lead than when you're trailing going into the final round?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I would say the only time I would ever really change strategy is if I'm maybe one down or something like that going into 18 and I have to make a birdie. My strategy around the golf course won't really change too much throughout the day, I'm just trying to shoot the lowest score possible.

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