

Charles Schwab Challenge

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Colonial CC

Scottie Scheffler

Quick Quotes

Q. You were giving yourself opportunities to make birdies out there. How did you feel about the round?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I feel like I played really well. A lot of good iron shots, a lot of good drives. I gave myself a lot of looks, and I hit a lot of good putts today. Just the greens got pretty chewed up this afternoon, and the grass is dying already. I think they're kind of taking advantage of the fact that they're blowing up the greens on Monday, so they're pushing them as far as they can.

When it gets that frictionless in spots, it can be pretty difficult to putt, especially when they're chewed up, but all you can do is keep rolling it well, and that's what I did this afternoon.

Q. Isn't golf an amazing game, you have all those putts for birdies, can't really make a long one and then you chip from behind the 15th green and judged it perfectly. What went into the decision there because you had the putter out for a second?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yeah, it was a tough little chip. Yeah, I didn't really know whether or not to chip or putt it. It looked like a lot of fringe for me to go through to putt it, so I decided to chip it, and yeah, I hit probably 15 really good putts today that didn't go in and I hit one good chip and that went in. If somebody figures out this game, if they can let me know what they're figuring out, but yeah.

Q. How excited are you for the weekend now?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yeah, in a decent position. I wish I was a little bit further up on the leaderboard obviously, but I feel like my game is in a really good spot, so excited for the next couple days.

Q. Overall comments on the round if you can.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I'll do my best. Yeah, I felt like I played pretty good today. I felt like I could have shot a lot lower but still, 3-under is always a good score. It's a good score, but I felt like I played better than that. But game

feels like it's good going into the weekend.

Q. Overall through two rounds, just how difficult is it playing out there?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: It's just tough to judge everything. The greens, like I said, they're really kind of pushing the limits of what they can do, so there's -- it's a little bit of luck of the draw what happens with the bounces. Some greens are soft in areas, some greens are really firm in areas, and some greens are really firm right here and really soft right now, just depends which grass still has some green left in it.

We'll see what they decide to do over the weekend. I love playing on firm greens, so hopefully they continue to make everything firm so there's less of a guessing game.

I just think it's still a little early in the week, and going out late on a Friday, I think they decided to push them a little bit today, so you still had some of those soft spots in there, but overall they were definitely getting significantly firmer, so it should pose a pretty good challenge going into tomorrow and Sunday.

Q. You mentioned how many putts, how many really good putts you made or hit. How frustrating is it when they just don't drop?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I mean, it's just tough putting late in the day. A Friday afternoon is typically going to be the hardest time to putt, especially when you had, like I said, a little bit of the inconsistencies in the greens. When you start putting through that frictionless area and it's chewed up, it really tends to push your ball more off line than if there was still some grass to kind of -- I guess I should say friction to hold the ball on line. So it's just challenging.

All you can do is roll it nice, and I felt like I did a really good job of staying patient on the greens today without -- I would get frustrated after the putt, but over each putt, I felt very confident and was hitting good putts. That's really all that I can control.

Q. What are you most happy with so far?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I think it was just the state of my game. Like I said, I swung it really nice today, and I putted



well. Typically if I can do both those things, my score is a little bit lower, so a little frustrated with 3-under, but back-to-back 67s around Colonial with only one bogey is always good golf.

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