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Harbour Town Golf Links

Scottie Scheffler

Quick Quotes

Q. Scottie, 3-under to open it up. What did you like about today, and is there anything you'd like to clean up for tomorrow?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: No, I feel like I did some good stuff out there. Conditions were tough late in the day. Yeah, I did a lot of good things. Would have liked to have had a better start, but outside of that, I felt like I executed pretty well.

Q. I never saw the shot, and ShotLink is throwing me. Was that lost, OB?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yeah, OB.

Q. There's OB over there?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yeah. I didn't know either. It's a ways over there, but yeah.

Q. When did you find out?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: When I was on the tee because I hit it and it was looking like it was going to hit those trees and I guess it flew right through them and then hit path and went out of bounds. Thumbs up for the start. It was a good bogey.

Q. You made a good par on 2, didn't you?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I don't know if you could call it a good -- I did get up-and-down for par, but that was more sloppy than good.

Q. Tony Romo wrote about you in Time. Did you hear about this at all?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: No, I did not.

Q. He said, I guess, A, that he's going to beat you someday. Do you agree with that?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: He's beat Jordan before, so



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shout-out to Jordan for that. But he hasn't beaten me yet. I'm not going to say that he can't because he's a good golfer, so I'm definitely not going to go out and say that he can't, and we also play a lot of golf together, and in golf you never really know what's going to happen.

Q. He described you as mature beyond your years from when he first met you. What's it mean that he felt that way about you, being mature beyond your years?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yeah, it's really nice. Tony is a guy that I grew up watching play football. I had the opportunity to play golf with him, I think, when I was in college. I liked him from the start. He's kind of like a big kid. He loves to have fun. He loves competing. The great thing about golf is that I can go out there with him and give him enough strokes to where we're going to have a good match. Jordan, the three of us really play a lot of golf together at home.

He's been a great asset for me just to see how he goes through life as a family man and as someone who is on TV all the time. He was the quarterback for the Dallas Cowboys, so he has a better understanding than I do of what it's like to be in the spotlight, and I'm fortunate to have the ability to bounce stuff off of him, whether or not he handles certain things like -- how he handles his sponsorship days or how he handles media or pictures when he goes out to dinner, little stuff like that that I feel like I've just learned a lot from him about how to navigate being a professional athlete while also trying to be a family man, as well.

Q. Is it cool to be named as one of the 100 most influential people?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I don't really know, to be honest with you. I don't really know essentially what that means. I don't know.

Q. Do you enjoy trying to be a positive influence on kids and young golfers and --

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yeah, I'd much rather try to be a positive influence than a negative one. Yeah, I think if you do things the right way, and I feel like I can have some sort

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of influence over people, and being on the other side of things, I dreamed of growing up and being a professional golfer, and being able to achieve my dreams, I'm very fortunate to have been able to do that, but at the end of the day, like I said at The Open last year, that's not what satisfies me. If I can be a positive influence on someone's life, that's a great thing.

But at the end of the day, I don't know if I'm the best role model.

Q. What are your thoughts on the work that was done so Harbour Town since last year and how did Davis' group do at updating a classic?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yeah, I was pleased. When you play great golf courses, I think when you get a designer that comes in and gets a little overaggressive, I'm not a huge fan of that. I've talked a decent amount in the past, I'm not a huge fan of the restoration movement that we're in in golf. When you look at a place like this, if you had one of the restoration guys come in, typically what they do is they kind of widen things, they take out some trees, they make the greens a little bit bigger. When we heard this golf course was going to get renovated I think that was a fear of ours because it's a special and unique place in the sense of you have to control your ball. You have to shape it both ways. You have to do different things with your golf ball, which when you look at modern golf course design, I think it's a bit of a lost art in the way they do things.

When I got here and was looking at the yardage book to see the changes they made to the course, I had to do a double-take; I'm like, did I get the right yardage book? This thing doesn't even look any different.

I think Davis has a great understanding of what makes this golf course amazing, and he's obviously had some success here, so he wasn't going to come in and do a bunch of changes.

But the things that he did, I definitely liked. But overall he didn't really do a whole lot, which I think when you have a gem like this is a good thing.

Q. Max Homa told us earlier this week that he'll never forget how two years after coming off the Masters, everyone is tired, he saw you going to the gym. Wondering if you did the same this week, and how is recovery from an intense week?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yeah, I think when it comes to on-the-course stuff, my practice going into this week is typically a bit lighter, just coming off the high of the Masters. Especially when you're in contention, it takes a

lot out of you mentally.

In order for me to be ready to come out here and compete, I have to do things physically that I need to do in the gym. I'm pretty religious when it comes to my process approaching tournaments, and the gym and taking care of my body is always a huge part of that, especially as you travel week to week out here.

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