## Valspar Championship

Friday, March 17, 2023 Palm Harbor, Florida, USA Innisbrook Resort (Copperhead)

### Adam Schenk

**Quick Quotes** 

# Q. Second round 69. 7-under through 36, currently leading. Pretty happy with this first couple of days so far?

ADAM SCHENK: Yeah, it couldn't have went a whole lot better. I feel like a lot of times you play a couple rounds of golf, maybe shoot 2-under, and you're like, it could have been six or seven. But it really couldn't have been a ton better with the amount of putts I made. Just continue that over the weekend, hit our lines.

We're doing a really good job managing the courses and that's why I've made more cuts this year, which we really made a point to. I mean, if you're showing up at a tournament -- I'm not trying to win every tournament, but I don't like missing cuts. So just really making a point to really be above average at course management. I think we've done a good job of that so far this year.

# Q. Heading to 18 tee at 8-under, unfortunate bogey at the last. Can you walk us through that hole and what happened?

ADAM SCHENK: I hit a pretty good drive. I don't think that fairway is really possibly to hit, or at least I haven't hit it very many times, maybe 2 feet in the right rough, and had a -- not a terrible lie, and it just kind of fluffed out. I got up there and fortunately it wasn't plugged. I hit a good bunker shot. There wasn't much sand in the bunker. Maybe four and a half feet above the hole.

I don't know if I hit that bad a putt, but it really broke left, and I thought it was going to be more straight. But I should have bogeyed, arguably, hole 8, 10, 11. So stealing one the other way isn't so bad. The course has got a get a couple of 'em back.

#### Q. Was there anything early in the week that you kind of worked on in particular to get ready for this or was it kind of status quo?

ADAM SCHENK: Not really. I missed the cut at PLAYERS, and I was home for three and a half days and



didn't touch a club. I would have practiced, but the weather was so bad in Indiana, I really couldn't. So flew into Valspar Tuesday afternoon and got a little practice in and then played nine holes and then teed up in the pro-am and away we went.

#### Q. So you live full-time in Indiana?

ADAM SCHENK: Split time Florida and Indiana.

## Q. What time of year do you make -- is this kind of the beginning of making it back to Indiana?

ADAM SCHENK: Exactly, yeah. The weather is just now starting to get warm enough. So it's nice.

# Q. You've played a lot of weeks in a row. That's been documented on Twitter. Could you speak to just what's inspired you to play so many weeks in a row? It's a lot of golf.

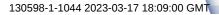
ADAM SCHENK: I've generally played a lot anyway, but having a little baby boy here in about a month and a half, so trying to make as many points as I can to take as much time off as I can and spend time with him and my wife, which will be very special.

# Q. Is there anything about kind of pacing yourself, any tips or tricks you've learned over the years as a pro to keep make sure you're rested for Thursday?

ADAM SCHENK: Yeah, lots of ways. There's different ways you can practice. Reading a book. Like that's very calming for me. So that might be better practice for 30 minutes than coming out here and beating balls for an hour and a half. So I can go back home and read myself help psychology books or whatever and have a couple beers. I watch a lot of college basketball this afternoon. I don't have to think about golf, I don't have to do it for about another day, I'm guessing. If I'm not in the last group, I'll be close. So I don't know exactly what the tee times are, but assuming I'll be close to the last.

Q. Is that something that's kind of evolved over your career, that mindset that it's okay to not practice as

. . when all is said, we're done."



#### much or has that always been there?

ADAM SCHENK: It can. It's tricky. Sometimes you need the practice and then you put in the practice and you get better. But then you kind of wear out towards the end of a tournament. But if you don't practice then you never had the confidence and you never maybe figured something out in your swing to be able to put you in a good position. So it kind of goes both ways. Who knows. To each their own.

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