#### ROUND 4 QUICK QUOTES July 27, 2025

#### SAM STEVENS (-22)



## Q. Sam, second solo second this year. How do you reflect on the day and how happy are you (inaudible)?

**SAM STEVENS:** I'm not too disappointed. I would have liked to have had a chance to go for it on 18. That's a pretty tough driving hole and I hit a pretty good drive. Just kind of overcut it just a little bit. But yeah, overall I'm very pleased. I needed a good finish here in the last couple weeks to kind of move solidly inside the Top 50, which is a big deal for next year, and I would think that I'm in a good spot for that now. Now I'm in the Top 30 in the FedExCup. I'm happy about that. You know, get to tee it up again next week and give it another crack, so that's good.

#### Q. What have you learned this week (inaudible)?

**SAM STEVENS:** I kind of mentioned I had a pretty good attitude today. I got off to a bit of a slow start. There's been a couple times when I've done that when I've been in or around contention let it bother me a little bit, but I think I did a really good job of just kind of being OK with it. I mentioned it earlier in the week, there's so many birdies out here, you can kind of get on a run at any time and I did that kind of on the back nine today. So just kind of stayed patient, stayed positive even when I didn't have my best stuff through six or seven holes today was a step in the right direction for me. Hopefully I can keep doing that.

# Q. You mentioned that you were playing well and you're starting your confidence going into the back nine. How difficult was it to avoid looking at the scoreboard to continue staying focused?

**SAM STEVENS:** Yeah, like I said, Kurt got off to such a good start, looking at the scoreboard is normally something that you might get nervous if you're tied for the lead or one shot back, but with Kurt shooting 29 on the front nine, it's like well, I'm 6 or 7 back, whatever it was at the time, I can just play as freely and as aggressively as I want to. So I really didn't feel that many nerves on the back nine, which is good. Normally I get very nervous, so I had a lot the peace out there today. I think again that has a lot to do with just the attitude that I had and kind of the perspective I try to keep on the golf course. But yeah, looking at the leaderboard is something I generally don't do, but today I did because I was so far back.

### Q. That lie on 18 there, did you have any thoughts with your caddie about going for it?

**SAM STEVENS:** No. I hit a sand wedge, or gap wedge on that second shot and it still, it



came out terrible. I would have had to hit a 7- or 8-iron, it would have gone about 40 yards and right in the water in front of me. So I don't know if the commentators thought I should go for it, but there was never a second where I thought I would try and attempt that, I just had no chance.

