

ROUND 4 QUICK QUOTES
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SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER (-22)



Q. Scottie, being a competitor I guess you came here to win today. What number did you think you had to get to?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yeah, something pretty low. I think I was maybe six shots back to start the day, but I was three shots back of second maybe, something like that. Depending on how Jackson played, I knew I was going to need a really low number regardless. I wanted to get something really low on the front nine and kind of put myself on the leaderboard. I didn't quite have that, I think I was only 3 under on the front so I wasn't able to really apply too much pressure early on.

Overall was a pretty solid week. Sometimes on these types of courses you can't really have too many off nines and I felt like for me this week, maybe back nine Friday and front nine Saturday kind of cost me, that little stretch.

Q. Your first time here, the fans responded. What was that like, that walk up 18? They really gave you an ovation. They seemed to be very appreciative you came to Minnesota.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yeah, this week was tremendous. The fans were great this week, the tournament was really solid. Yeah, was able to do some good stuff and hear some cheers. It was definitely a lot of fun with the fans this week.

Q. Seeing Jackson there, a much younger player, kind of a budding talent. What's it like, do you think about the dynamic of having somebody who's new onto the scene versus yourself as an established golfer?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I feel like we're seeing a lot of really, really good young talent in the game today. When you see the guys come out of college, they're really, really prepared, even more prepared than we were coming out years ago.

I think a lot of times you can see that belief when they see some other guys have success and that guys that they're competing against and you get out here, it only can give these guys more confidence. We're seeing a ton of talent coming up from the college ranks and PGA TOUR U. I think it's really good for the sport and really good for our tour as well.

Q. And you said yesterday that when you were up and coming you asked a lot of other golfers for advice. Did you two talk at all?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: No. Actually, I haven't spoken to Jackson yet. I haven't had a



chance to see him hit a shot yet. Obviously, I've heard about his pedigree in college, but I haven't been able to see it in person yet. I'm looking forward to that.

Q. So behind ever good golfer is a better caddie. What is your relationship with Ted like and how does he help you on and off the course?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yeah. I mean, Ted's one of my closest friends. He's a great guy and a great caddie and he's somebody that I rely on for a lot of stuff, not just on the course but lifestyle and parenting. He's a good guy for me to be able to bounce stuff off of a lot of the time.

Q. Scottie, there's not a lot of what-ifs on a 63, great day for you, but the putt on 14, a five-footer, what did you see there?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Fourteen, let me think.

Q. It lipped out a little bit.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Oh, yeah, yeah. Yeah, it was a five-footer down the hill, looked pretty straight to me, kind of just wobbled a little right and caught the lip.

Q. And on a day like this, it seems like you can't afford to make any like wobbles at all. You missed that. How much did that -- you could have got it down to two at that point.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: When you're playing so far in front of the leaders, on an easier golf course it can always look I think sometimes maybe a little tighter than it is just because those guys have time to go through those easy holes that I just played. Yeah, I think sometimes that can be a little bit of, how do you say it.

Q. Deceptive?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yeah, it can be a little deceptive, yeah, in terms of how close it is just with the holes that the leaders and Jackson have left to play. I needed to really post something at his number or ahead of his number I think if I wanted to have a chance.

Q. With the weather conditions outside today, it was hotter than normal. I know you being from Texas, you're used to it, but how do you prepare for these temperatures when you play 18 holes?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yeah, just a lot of water, a lot of hydration, make sure you're well fed and well hydrated. A lot of the work is done beforehand.

Q. Scottie, kind of what Jackson's doing right now coming down the stretch trying to hold a lead for the first time, do you remember the first time you had to do that, kind



of what it felt like versus maybe what it might feel like for you now?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Like hold a lead as in like --

Q. As in like hold the lead coming down the stretch like this.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I guess the best way I can say it, my first win was in a playoff. So to win for the first time with a big lead, probably a bit easier. But I think anytime you're trying to win for the first time, it's awfully difficult, especially for a young guy coming out of college. I think that shows not only how talented of a player he is, but I think the mental strength he has as well.

