

**Round 1 Interview: XANDER SCHAUFFELE**  
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**Q. 64 today, Billy Ray Brown was out there mentioning how aggressive you played. Is that the typical way you play?**

**XANDER SCHAUFFELE:** I mean, when you miss a bunch of cuts in a row, yes, I'd say you come out firing.

**Q. This is your rookie year. How big of an adjustment has it been? As I mentioned, you played on the Web.com Tour. How big has the adjustment been and how much -- you talked about not playing that great, how big is today a surprise?**

**XANDER SCHAUFFELE:** Yeah, it was huge. It's been a huge adjustment. I feel like since pro golf has started I've been a rookie in every mini-tour rookie, Web rookie, PGA rookie. Not that that's a bad thing, but definitely getting used to all the travel and practice on the road.

**Q. And the goal coming into this week in Puerto Rico?**

**XANDER SCHAUFFELE:** Of course it's to win, just give myself the best chance to win coming down the last nine holes. I think it was a 65, they were wrong. It was all pars, I had one bogey, just to let you know.

**Q. So with your round today, what kept the momentum going? What led to your round today?**

**XANDER SCHAUFFELE:** The putter, the putter got hot early and kind of stayed hot even though it was raining.

**Q. Do you feel like you lucked out on the conditions? You were able to get out in the morning and really take advantage of some soft scoring conditions.**

**XANDER SCHAUFFELE:** Yeah, for sure. I think the greens are going to be fine throughout the week, they don't get marked up, so morning or afternoon. The wind was down, which was nice, but we got rained on a couple times. But talking to locals, that's just how it goes out here.

**Q. Following up a low round is always tough. What's going to be your key tomorrow to successfully follow up a good round?**

**XANDER SCHAUFFELE:** Just try and stay aggressive. It's easy to leave a lot of putts short out here just because the greens are a little slow and once it starts raining. So just try to get the ball to the hole, one putting, because out here you'll definitely have a lot of looks.