

ROUND 3 QUICK QUOTES

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STEVEN ALKER (-20)



Q. Congratulations first off, Steven, but I've watched you play some really good golf in the last few years. That was super impressive. What was the big difference this week? You seemed so in control.

STEVEN ALKER: Yeah, there's just a couple of things that were just niggling at me, my game. So kind of tidied them up, I got my iron game back on, hitting some nice shots. And it was the putter, it just wasn't quite there for the last few weeks, and I mean these greens are so good, you just get it online and hey (indiscernible.) So putting was the difference obviously but I just felt more in control of myself and my game.

Q. This past winter you and I talked a little bit back at TPC Scottsdale just after you won the Charles Schwab Cup and you said, "I need to get better at controlling my wedges, my irons, the spin," and you've done that." How were you able to do that?

STEVEN ALKER: Yeah, just making a different move at the ball. A little more body rather than the hands getting in there. I mean, it's just all about flight. You've played this game, it's just all about flight and just controlling that spin, so that's one area that I've just kind of tidied up as well.

Q. Tell us about No. 10 after your first bogey of the week.

STEVEN ALKER: It kind of annoyed me, that bogey actually annoyed me because it was my first one of the week, and holed that shot and I hit some beautiful shots on the next couple holes as well. Just kind of got me fired up a little bit I think, that was it. I hit -- it's hard to, you're so far ahead to just keep those targets, keep firing at them.

Q. Now you're No. 1 going into the Charles Schwab Cup there at Phoenix Country Club. How important is that?

STEVEN ALKER: Very important. Obviously you want to be as far ahead as you can. I know there's not much gap, there's probably five, six guys who can win it. So again, it happens every year apart from Stricker a couple years ago. I've been there, I know what it feels like and got it done, so hey, we'll just get working on the game.

Q. It's hard to win at the game, that was impressive. Congratulations.

STEVEN ALKER: Appreciate it.