

**ROUND 4 QUICK QUOTES**  
**November 23, 2025**

**SAM STEVENS ( -18)**



**Q. Sam Stevens, tell us a little bit about the hole-in-one.**

**SAM STEVENS:** Yeah, it was a nice way to start the day. You know, going into today I'm not really playing with a whole lot of pressure but trying to shoot a low one and, you know, do as well as I can. I haven't had one out here on Tour and to get it early in the round and to kind of get the mojo going early was nice and kind of kept it rolling the whole day.

**Q. What did you hit?**

**SAM STEVENS:** I hit a 6-iron. It was 198, a little into the wind. Didn't chicken out and bail it right. I actually made a good swing and worked out good for me.

**Q. Because of where the pin was, you didn't really see it go in?**

**SAM STEVENS:** Yeah, we couldn't see it. There were a few people up by the green and, you know, they don't want to hoot and holler too much because they might be too loud. Got some claps and maybe one yell. We thought it was just real close, but got up there and it was in the hole.

**Q. (No microphone.)**

**SAM STEVENS:** How did I find out it went in? The cameraman was going like this when I was walking up to the green, so I figured that it went in. Didn't get too excited until I got over the bunker, made sure it was in.

**Q. What kind of ball do you play?**

**SAM STEVENS:** I play a Pro V1, Titleist.

**Q. What number was the ball?**

**SAM STEVENS:** I think it was a Titleist 1. I gave it to my caddie to give to my oldest son, so I think that's cool.

**Q. No pressure this week, you didn't need a good finish here to have your job next year or anything, so was today maybe the result of having that kind of a freewheeling attitude?**

**SAM STEVENS:** Yeah, yeah, I'm not playing for a ton. I'm kind of right on the bubble of

top-50 in the world and if I can stay in the top-50, I can get into the Masters. So every shot, every world ranking point counts.

So it wasn't like I wasn't playing for anything, but definitely playing with a lot more freedom than those guys that are on the bubble and working for their job next year. A lot of times, even when I have the opportunity to play free, I kind of still guard a little bit, but I felt like this week was a good indication that I can let it fly and hopefully I can do that a little more next year.

**Q. (No microphone.)**

**SAM STEVENS:** What's that? Oh, a little bit. I'm in a nice spot where like if I can just play well at some point in between now and next April, I'll get in. But it would be nice to just know at the end of the year if I'm going to get in or not.

I don't know what today will do. Hopefully it will get me closer, and hopefully I can hold on because I'm not playing the rest of the year.

**Q. (No microphone.)**

**SAM STEVENS:** Like go play Europe or something?

**Q. (No microphone.)**

**SAM STEVENS:** Yeah, I know that Australian Open's an awesome event. Yeah, it would be tempting. I think this is my 31st event this year, so I think my wife would like it if I stayed home for Christmas. Yeah, hopefully this is enough and we'll see where we're at, and if I don't get in, I'll try and work my way in next year.

**Q. (No microphone.)**

**SAM STEVENS:** Say that again?

**Q. (No microphone.)**

**SAM STEVENS:** Man, I've had nice where I haven't had to sweat it too much the last couple years at this event. When I was trying to get my Tour card in 2022 on the Korn Ferry Tour, yeah, I got it -- they had the Korn Ferry Finals back then so it was a little bit different.

I remember that final round I was in a good spot and kind of just had to hold on. The wheels were coming off slowly so I was glad the round finished. I think I ended up making it kind of on the number. If I shot one worse, I would have not got my card.

Yeah, I haven't had a whole lot -- obviously we're chasing to be the best player in the world and to be as good as we can be, so that's motivating enough for me.

But I haven't had to play with a whole lot of anxiousness or a whole lot of life-changing pressure over the last couple years, which is nice. Yeah, hopefully I can get into contention at some bigger events and feel like I'm chasing that a little bit. We'll see.

**Q. Sam, how many holes-in-one have you had?**

**SAM STEVENS:** In my life? That was my 11th. That was only my second one in competition though.

**Q. Where was that first one?**

**SAM STEVENS:** It was at the -- I Mondayed into the second-to-last Canadian Tour event in 2018 and I made it on Friday, I think. I was around the cutline and I made a hole-in-one, which is nice.

**Q. You made it in --**

**SAM STEVENS:** My first pro event. It was in Montreal.

**Q. (No microphone.)**

**SAM STEVENS:** Yeah, it was my first tournament as a pro and first one I made ever in my life in a tournament, yeah.

**Q. Does anything stand out about any of the other holes-in-one you've made?**

**SAM STEVENS:** No. I've made a couple with my caddie. We grew up playing a bunch together so I made a few on him, probably won a couple Cokes off of him or a hot dog with a hole in one here or there. No, nothing too special about any of them. It went in the hole, that's special I guess.

**Q. Is it always the same thrill every time it happens?**

**SAM STEVENS:** Yeah, no, it's awesome. To make 'em in a tournament feels great. Yeah, like I said, it was nice to make it early today and kind of get the ball rolling and play with some freedom and shoot a low score.

**Q. (No microphone.)**

**SAM STEVENS:** I went to Oklahoma State.

**Q. (No microphone.)**

**SAM STEVENS:** Oh, I went to Kapaun Mt. Carmel in Wichita. It was a Catholic school.