

ROUND 3 QUICK QUOTES
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STEWART CINK (-23)

Q. Impressive to say the least. We'll get to following up 2025 here in a minute, but tied for the lead and shooting 8 under par, that has to be what you were dreaming.

STEWART CINK: Yeah, I knew the golf course would yield to us if it wasn't too windy and we had moderate at most winds, but I played really well today. It was probably better than the other two days. Just never really sniffed any trouble and took advantage of some holes that were going to yield to us. I was really proud of the way I hung in there, stayed in the present and executed my process brilliantly and the ball liked it.

Q. Yeah, you talked about staying in your process. Great birdies at 9 and 15, but the par save at 8 had to like spur you on and keep that momentum going.

STEWART CINK: Yeah, and that came on the heels of not making birdie on 7, you know. It's not awful, but it kind of feels a little bit like a bogey. To have an 11-, 12-footer for par there and to can that one, that gave me a lot of momentum, a lot of belief and trust and I rode that all the way.

Q. Impressive way to start the 2026 campaign after being Player of the Year. What does this mean to you?

STEWART CINK: Well, I don't think validation really applies here because a good season like last year kind of validates itself to get voted in, but I wanted to come out here this year and start hot and not work my way into the season. I'm not going to play for almost two months now, so it really meant a lot to come out here and play well. You have to make a lot of birdies, and sometimes the first tournament of the year is not the easiest place to make a lot of birdies, but I was able to this week. Played really solid and I'm very pleased.

Q. You brought your game with you. Congratulations.

STEWART CINK: I appreciate it, Cookie.