

ROUND 3 QUICK QUOTE
March 7, 2026



CHANDLER BLANCHET (-11)

Q. Chandler, not the start that you wanted to have today. Just talk about your front nine and how you were feeling throughout the day.

CHANDLER BLANCHET: Yeah, it was a grind. No one said it was going to be easy. You don't want it to be easy, right? We're grinding. It was really windy out there today. I felt like it was a little windier today than the past few days. It affected some putts.

Yeah, it wasn't an ideal start. I feel like I put a lot of good swings on it and put a lot of good rolls on it, but didn't all go my way. But that's all right. Tomorrow.

Q. You went into this round four shots ahead of everyone else, now you're one shot back. Has that affected you in any way or is tomorrow a clean slate, going to try to do your best?

CHANDLER BLANCHET: Yeah, clean slate. Of course you would want a big lead, but yeah, it's going to be a good grind tomorrow. I'm excited, it's going to be fun. We're going to learn a lot.

The more you're in these positions, the more comfortable you're going to be. The more often you can get in this, the more often it's going to go in your favor towards the end.

Q. There was a lot of movement on the leaderboard today. Are you a leaderboard watcher or do you try to avoid that?

CHANDLER BLANCHET: Not really. Maybe just briefly aware, but not -- I knew I was one back on the last few holes. Yeah, that's about it.

Q. What is one shot you would like to have back today?

CHANDLER BLANCHET: I missed a real shortie on like 15 or something, 14. I mean, that one felt a little silly.

But yeah, maybe some drives on the par 5s, put it in better position. I didn't play the par 5s great. I was 2 over on those today, I was 4 under on them yesterday. Kind of feel like that's the difference in the score pretty much.

Q. Do you prefer to be ahead of the rest of the group or do you like to chase?

CHANDLER BLANCHET: Yeah, I like -- if we have to chase tomorrow, I like to chase.

Q. And then how special would it be to get your first win out here? You're still in contention, you're only one shot back. What would that mean to you?

CHANDLER BLANCHET: Yeah, it would be incredible. I mean, I won't lie, I woke up early this morning thinking about that stuff. I think it's pretty hard to avoid that.

I think once you start playing, you've got to get that out of your system and not think about future outcomes.

But yeah, it would be amazing. This is a dream come true playing out on the PGA TOUR. I hope there's many of these in the future, and if we get the first trophy this week, that would be pretty awesome.