

ROUND 1 QUICK QUOTES
March 26, 2026



STEPHAN JAEGER (-4)

Q. Stephan, those final two birdies probably feel a little bit better after that double on 7, but overall a pretty good round. How would you kind of characterize it?

STEPHAN JAEGER: Yeah, a tale of two nines. I feel like I struggled to hit greens on my front nine, which was the back, but I didn't feel like I hit that many bad shots. A couple kind of ran over, swung back.

I made some nice up-and-downs on the front to kind of keep the momentum going, and then birdied 16, 17. And then turned, continued to play nice all the way to No. 6. Kind of hit a, yeah, a pulley 8-iron that kind of trickled off the green to not a great spot. That was probably the first time I missed hitting in the wrong spot today, and missed like a 9-footer for par.

Probably worst swing of the day was on that next hole. Kind of compounded some errors there. But like you said, it's nice to come back with a couple birdies, 4 under on this track's not bad. It looks pretty easy and simple on TV, it's wide open and you can kind of hit it everywhere, but there's definitely some danger around the greens for sure.

Q. Was maybe your mental game kind of strong today, waited, kind of being patient at certain times of the round?

STEPHAN JAEGER: Yeah, I didn't feel like I had my best stuff on the second shots, so I kind of played to, hey, where's the easiest up-and-down. We've done a really good job preparing that in the days prior, so I felt pretty confident that if I put it in the right spot, I could get it up and down. Obviously chipping in on 10 was a bonus.

Other than that two bad swings, I've got a great round going. So I'm happy with 4 under, for sure. I'll take four of those and sit in the clubhouse for the rest of the week.

