

ROUND 3 QUICK QUOTES
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ZAC BLAIR (-12)



Q. Zac, 6-under par 64 today, excellent round. If we can get some comments.

ZAC BLAIR: Yeah, I played good, hit a bunch of good shots. Honestly, was kind of a grind pretty early in the round, like 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, kind of just kept missing greens into some somewhat tough spots, but kind of battled and made a bunch of those kind of six- to seven-footers for par. Made another one on 18, which was nice. Yeah, played nice.

Q. Take us through the birdies there, 7 through 10, four in a row.

ZAC BLAIR: Yeah. Hit a really good kind of wood up there just in the bunker on 7 and hit a really good bunker shot to a kick-in. Then hit another really good wedge to tap-in on 8. Then 9, hit a nice 8-iron that just barely got over the false front and made a nine- or 10-footer. 10, had to lay up and hit a really good wedge again to four, five feet and made it. They were all close-ish putts and a couple of tap-ins, which is always nice.

Q. We got more rain overnight. Just talk a little bit about the conditions out there today.

ZAC BLAIR: Yeah, ball in hand. Honestly, the course, for how much rain they've got the whole week, I feel is playing pretty nice, pretty receptive on the greens especially compared to last year, it was really, really firm. Yeah, got to play good, got to go low and hopefully can do it.

Q. Seven straight rounds in the 60s now, got a little momentum last week at the Deere. Just comment a little bit about the state of your game right now.

ZAC BLAIR: I've been playing good. I feel like basically since last fall, doing a lot of good stuff. Just got to find a way to put four of them together and keep doing a lot of -- you know, I feel like I've been playing a lot of rounds where I've really hit some nice targets or picked some nice targets and kind of not chasing every flag. Getting a lot of looks, which always helps. That's kind of the thing that's been really nice I would say the last couple of months is just playing really conservative. Not crazy conservative, but just picking the right targets and kind of executing to those targets instead of chasing every flag down.

Q. I know there's still quite a ways to go in the third round so you'll probably be a few back, but what will your mindset and strategy be tomorrow?

ZAC BLAIR: I think the same stuff, try to get as many looks as I can and hopefully have one of those really good rounds with the putter. I've had a handful of them the last few



weeks, so hopefully can do that tomorrow.

Q. Runner-up here in 2024. Just comment a little bit about this tournament and how comfortable you are. I know it's a different golf course, but still the tournament as a whole.

ZAC BLAIR: Yeah, yeah, I mean, I think no more comfortable than anywhere else, I guess. Honestly, the crowds have been really supportive. Someone asked me on the last hole, they were like, Are you from Kentucky, and I was like, No. They were like, You've got a lot of support. Which is always nice, it's really cool to see. Maybe that's due to having the good finish a few years ago.

But yeah, everyone's really nice out here and it's been fun to play well a couple of times and be somewhat in contention. Hopefully, can go get it done.

