**ROUND 3 QUICK QUOTES**
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BUTTERFIELD BERMUDA CHAMPIONSHIP

## SEAMUS POWER ( -16)

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**Q. Seamus, 4-under 67, it was a battle out there. If we can get your comments.**

**SEAMUS POWER:** Yeah, you said it, it was a battle. It was tough and completely different than the first two days, which we knew it was going to be. Then you feel like you've got to get off to a good start because there's so much shelter there through six or seven holes. Was able to pick up a couple.

Frustrating, had a three-putt on 7 but from that point on you're just kind of hanging on. I was able to do it very well. Obviously was lucky, holed a wedge shot on 14, but besides that, was able to keep it in front of me, keep it out of trouble and gave myself enough chances, I was able to take advantage of.

**Q. Let's go through the birdies starting with No. 1.**

**SEAMUS POWER:** Yeah, No. 1 was a great birdie because that's playing tough today. I'm not sure if I ever hit driver off there before, so I hit a very good tee shot and left myself a good number. It was again a tough pin there up front with the water and that breeze. So was able to hit a very good shot and left myself maybe six or seven feet, so it was a great way to start.

Then picked up another at No. 3. It was playing easy today, it was pretty much straight down so it was a gap wedge. Then didn't have one for a while. Had like a couple of very, very good chances, like I three-putted 7 from maybe 25, 30 feet from par, which was frustrating. Had a good chance on 9 but then hit another very good wedge shot into 10 that got me kind of going. It was a pretty easy putt so that was nice.

**Q. Then that good stretch there at 13 and 14.**

**SEAMUS POWER:** Yeah, it really was. Hit a good tee shot, but I had the tee box and we obviously messed up how much the wind was helping. It was 209 and my 7-iron carried about 220 or something, so airmailed the green, made my first bogey.

Then didn't hit a bad tee shot on the next but the wind got me a little bit and all of a sudden I'm pitching out, so that wedge shot was huge. Got the momentum back on my side going into a touch stretch on the course, so it really was a big moment. I hit a lovely shot, but obviously very unexpected when it drops in. But it was fantastic to hear the roar of the crowd. Like I said, it got me settled down again and got me into a good groove for the last four.

**Q. And then the birdie on 17?**

**SEAMUS POWER:** Yeah, birdie on 17. I hit honestly two of the best swings of the day probably. I had two 5-woods, hard wind hard off the left and I just hit two hard draws into the middle of the green, and even then it's tough because the wind is just whipping across the green coming down. So it was still a good two-putt from 35 feet, but they were two really good shots to give myself a chance. My one on the last just kind of ran out of steam. But overall very pleased, had enough chances to take advantage here and there, and yeah, it was a lot of good things.

**Q. What's the hardest in wind like this, is it the mental or is it the physical?**

**SEAMUS POWER:** It's probably more mental because you have to commit to lines that just do not seem right, to be honest. Like on 1 even, you're moving your line from where I was probably in my practice round 40 yards to the left and you're trying to hit a draw. So you're looking at someplace you shouldn't be hitting a draw and trying to hit a draw, so trying to be fully committed.

And then I always think on the greens, to be honest. On 7 was a perfect example. I probably had a putt that on a normal day from five feet, six feet was probably left edge. I played it inside right and it missed left.

It's so bizarre to try to like calculate that as you go because obviously a lot of it's feel, but it's just trying to commit to some things that just don't quite look right I always think is hard in the wind. So again, I'm going to have to try to do it obviously tomorrow or whenever we do get to play, so it's going to be more of the same and hopefully be as good as it was today.

**Q. What are you looking forward to the most tomorrow?**

**SEAMUS POWER:** I'm hoping it doesn't get too, too bad where we can't play, but if it does blow, I feel like the officials know it's coming so they've been slowing down the greens. I saw some of the pins for tomorrow so I think it will be playable.

It's just a challenge. It's one of those things that I prefer when courses play harder like that especially when you're up around the lead because you feel like it's a little bit more in your control and there's not going to be someone to come out early shoot some very low number and chase everyone down.

It's one of those days I think it's going to be tough, and I've played this course in some wind before and been able to manage so I kind of have that to lean on a little bit. So I think I'm just looking forward to the challenge of the whole situation.

**Q. Knowing your background, would people in Ireland think this is a real wind or would they laugh at wind like this?**

**SEAMUS POWER:** No, today was proper wind at least for me. I mean, I've been obviously away for a while. We do play some links courses growing up, but the difference with links courses is they're designed to be played in the wind so you've got different shots to play. You can hit it low when you need to hit it low.

A course like this is tough. Even into 18, even some of the elevated greens on the par 3s, it's tough because you'd like to hit a low shot but you're so elevated or you're hitting off an upslope that it's tough to judge, it's tough to get the flight that you'd like to hit. So it's a different challenge than when we play in wind at home.

No, any Irish person playing today, that's proper wind out there today.

**Q. At any point were you thinking today that if we don't play over the next day or two, how important today's round was?**

**SEAMUS POWER:** I mean, it definitely was a little there somewhere in the back of my mind because obviously I've seen the forecast and Monday isn't exactly like a cakewalk either. Some of the gusts I've seen for tomorrow could be a dangerous situation kind of gusts. It was definitely in there somewhere, but I honestly, at this stage of the season you know every shot counts, especially where I am on the points list. So just going to go out there and do the best you can and let all that stuff kind of take care of itself.