ROUND 3 QUICK QUOTES August 10, 2025

STEVE ALLAN (-15)



Q. Tell me, you're out there watching, what's it like watching Stewart on the last hole?

STEVE ALLAN: It's weird, not something I've ever done before. I think it's really odd because you don't want to wish ill on someone but obviously you want to win the tournament. He's a great player so I fully expected him to make a birdie. I don't know, it's definitely --

Q. It's kind of you could have lost, won or tied, right?

STEVE ALLAN: Absolutely. But you know what, at the end of the day if he got up here and made eagle and beat me, so be it, I played well and had a great week.

Q. I mean, you're 4 back to start the day. Of all the contenders, you're the only one who shot a bogey-free round. Did you kind of feel like it would take something like that today to catch him?

STEVE ALLAN: Yeah, it's one of those things with Stewart being in that position, you know, he could win by just having a really good round and we just have to sort of play well. In some ways it frees you up because you're not really thinking about winning, you're just trying to have a good round.

And then towards I think when I birdied the ninth I saw that he hadn't jumped out ahead, so it was going to be a chance so just had to knuckle down and played pretty well on the back nine. A couple loose shots but didn't get punished for them. A couple long putts were really good to help me make easy pars after not good approach shots and then rolled in a few birdies.

Q. How hard was the bunker shot here?

STEVE ALLAN: It was hard. A long bunker shot out of the sand, it's just one of those ones you never know. You've just got to hope you get through it, it comes out right and it just landed almost perfectly.

Q. You had about five or six feet, do you think?

STEVE ALLAN: Yeah, not even, probably three, four feet maybe.

Q. You had to play it outside the hole probably, right?

STEVE ALLAN: No, I was thinking it was going to be like a right edge putt and I got a read off Matt's. The more I looked at it I thought it was straight and then Matt's definitely died a little bit at the end to the left, which was quite good to see because it gave me, like I could then trust mine because I was a very similar line to him so I could trust that if anything it was going to veer left and it was just sort of right center a half putt.

Q. You mentioned when you talked earlier today that in your regular career you weren't the caliber of Ernie and Darren Clarke and those guys. Why do you think you're having so much success on this tour?

STEVE ALLAN: I think I know myself a little bit better when it comes to my swing and my game. I think, I don't know, it means a lot to me, too. Financially it's good to make some money. I've been off the main Tour since 2009 so things get a little bit tight there when you're not making any money. I think with that I think, yeah, matured a bit, not getting ahead of myself, not stressing about things and just playing and seeing what happens.

Q. Have you surprised yourself at all this year?

STEVE ALLAN: A little bit. I think I would have probably laughed if you told me I would have won three times. I definitely thought that I had a win in me, but I wouldn't have said three.