

ROUND 3 QUICK QUOTES

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STEWART CINK (-14)



Q. Tell me your thoughts right now.

STEWART CINK: Well, I'm disappointed. I mean, I played well enough to win this, just made a couple mistakes and kind of put myself a little bit in a hole today.

And I clawed back out, which I was really proud of. I'm in the middle of the fairway on 18 and we -- first of all, we got the situation wrong. We at the time thought that we were tied. It didn't really affect the shot plan, but then the wind changed on me in my shot. If I had waited about 30 seconds to hit the shot, we would have played it differently. It didn't quite go far enough. I hit a little too far right.

Anyway, **that hole is a pretty simple birdie hole and that was a sloppy par that I made and, you know, that kind of stuff costs you in pro golf.**

Q. Was it a tough bunker shot?

STEWART CINK: Yeah, it was a very tough bunker shot to get close. The way you play that shot under normal circumstances when you're not trying to either hole out to win or get a birdie to tie and get in a playoff is you just dump it about 20 feet past the hole like Paul Goydos did and that's the way to play that shot.

But I felt like I'm here to win the tournament and a birdie or eagle there was going to help me out a lot more than making a bogey or something was going to hurt me.

Q. You're right, you made two bogeys, all of a sudden you're in fourth place, a couple shots behind, and you really played pretty well coming in after that.

STEWART CINK: Yeah, I did. I did what I needed to do. Hit a great drive on 18. That hole is pretty wide so it's not really that hard to hit the fairway, but you want to hit it far and I smashed my drive on 18 and got it out there as far as I could hit it and set myself up for a good approach. I just, I missed the approach shot by about five or six yards right of my target.

On that hole looking back, you know, we had it planned right, but the hole location was a little more severe up to the front of the green than we thought, and so the plan would have been to stay quite a bit more left than even we planned probably. It all comes together, just a little bit of tiny error in planning, tiny error in execution and like I said, in pro golf the margins are thin and that's about what it took.

Q. What was your number to the hole?

STEWART CINK: I didn't even measure the hole because we weren't going at the flag, we were going more up towards the center and I was trying to hit it -- the way I plan all my shots is I come up with like a six-yard gap I'm trying to carry it. So that shot there was 206 to 212 was what I was trying to hit it. It's a little in between, I needed to cut a 5-iron, so I played a cut 5-iron. When I hit the ball and when it got up in the air, all of a sudden the wind was in our face and, you know, I would have just hit a regular 5-iron.

Q. Your first time playing the Boeing Classic, what did you think of the course?

STEWART CINK: Oh, it's a fun course. A lot of different kind of shots, beautiful scenery and it's in great shape. I'll definitely love coming back, this is a fun tournament.