ROUND 2 QUICK QUOTES November 14, 2025

CHANDLER PHILLIPS (-10)



Q. Chandler, the old saying is many a good round starts with a bogey, yours did, 7-under 64 after bogeying your opening round. How would you describe that round?

CHANDLER PHILLIPS: Yeah, I mean, it really and truly is one of those rounds, like it just, you don't realize how good you're playing until you're done and then it's like, oh, OK, yeah.

Yeah, no, I mean, it was a really, really good round. I mean, yesterday was a good round, too. I just had one bad swing and made double on 2. Then today I -- you know, 10, second shot was straight downwind and I just, first shot of the day, you know? Or I guess second, but just didn't hit it hard enough and it spun it kind of off the green. Tried to putt it up there and these greens are just, man, they're so slow. But I mean, they have to be because of the wind, how hard it's blowing.

So other than 2 yesterday and 10 today, I mean, it's probably the best golf I've played all year.

Q. When you make that bogey on the first hole, how do you reset yourself to go out and do what you did?

CHANDLER PHILLIPS: Well, the thing is, yeah, I made bogey, but at the same time it's like I shot 4 under on the back yesterday. There's birdies to be made and there's actually a lot of downwind holes on the back. And then some of them that are actually into the wind, they're actually not that bad, like you're still hitting a wedge or something like that. You've just got to know that you've got 17 holes left and there's plenty of birdies as long as you hit decent shots.

I didn't -- same thing with yesterday with the bad drive on 2. I mean, I was like, I make the cut, I've still got 70 holes left, you know? It's not really a reset, it's just like, put it away, it's the past, can't really affect your round.

Q. You came into this week 139th I think on the FedExCup Fall standings. Has that been on your mind with two tournaments left?

CHANDLER PHILLIPS: No, no, because I only have one option and that's to go out there and try to win because if I don't, I'm not keeping my card. It's just -- obviously, yeah, I've thought about it but there's no -- there's not a lot of answers to it. There's just one answer, it's just go out there and try to ball out. If it happens, it happens. If not, you know, try to go fix what's wrong for the year.



To tell you the truth, I'm pretty over this year. Like it's been a struggle, but I'm waiting for that finish line.

Q. It's really interesting you say that, kind of over this year, because we had Rafa Campos in earlier in the week and he went on and won the tournament and he said exactly the same thing, he pretty much resigned himself to the fact that he was done.

CHANDLER PHILLIPS: Yeah.

Q. It's an interesting mindset that almost frees you up to play --

CHANDLER PHILLIPS: Yeah, yeah, like it's just, you're not thinking -- I don't know how to explain it, but it's just like you're not thinking of, oh, you know, I need a top-20 this week or I just need to make the cut.

Well, I mean, that's never a good mindset even if you are in a really good position to keep your card or whatever. You've got to have the mindset of try to win every week and if you don't, you might as well not even show up.

I say this jokingly just because like this year has just not been it. The amount of times I've missed the fairway this year by a yard and it's just completely screwed me, it's unbelievable. It's not the course, it's just me. Aim a little bit farther left, aim a little bit farther right, I don't know.

Can you tell I'm over it?

Q. Is it hard to find a balance of having to just play good golf and not press too much in a tournament like this where you know what you have to do, you need to try to keep your card? How do you maintain that balance because if you press too much, and especially out here with the wind, you can make a bigger mistake?

CHANDLER PHILLIPS: Yeah. I tell you what, I got up and down from 120 yards on No. 1 today and I got up and down from 75 yards on No. 4 today and that was just because I was out of position, I didn't try to force anything. It was just like, OK, if I make bogey, whatever. But I ended up getting them up and down. And it's just like I tell myself all the time that, you know, to do that, but I see a window or I think I can hit a shot and then that's when I get myself in like more trouble.

So yeah, I don't feel like I'm, I guess, a presser too much. I don't press too much. I'm just one of those guys that's just like, I'm just going to take what the course gives me and if it's good, it's good. If it's bad, you know what, get me out of here, you know? It's just kind of one of those things.

Yeah, no, I don't really feel myself pressing too much.



Q. I know that there's a lot of guys out here that maybe won't admit it, but when the wind's blowing like it can out here, they hate it, they'll kind of will maybe mentally (inaudible) a little bit --

CHANDLER PHILLIPS: Yeah.

Q. -- and it can affect their game. You mentioned being a guy from Texas, you've grown up playing in the wind. Is it a little bit of a golf sicko to appreciate when the wind's blowing 25 and the gusts can come up and you're just going to deal with it and you somewhat enjoy that?

CHANDLER PHILLIPS: Hey, if that's what it is, then I guess I'm that.

Like I was saying earlier, there's a lot of tournaments this year that we have literally been playing in a dome, like just no wind, it's perfect. It's just yes, you still have to hit the shots and everything like that, but I feel like it just gets so bunched up with the scores when it's perfect conditions and everything like that.

But when it starts blowing like this, well, it just kind of separates, I feel like separates a little bit just for guys that enjoy it. I guess face the fact that you're not ever going to get out of the wind, so just take it, do what you can with it and roll with it.

But yeah, I love playing in the wind. Like it's -- I feel like it for me it's easier to hit shots and it's just, I don't know, that's just me.

Q. Just a couple more from me. We've seen you recently in a TV commercial. What was that experience like filming that and can you share anything about it?

CHANDLER PHILLIPS: Yeah. I mean, it's awesome. Turtlebox, I guess we're going on two years, two, three, something like that, I don't know.

I can't remember. Yeah, no, they're great. I mean.

Q. Is it like a day-long shoot or was it --

CHANDLER PHILLIPS: Well, it was a three-day long shoot because we did golf, hunting and fishing, so it was perfect for me. I was like, I can go play golf one day, I can have two days off and go fishing or hunting.

Yeah, no, it was great. We went out to the golf course, filmed for an hour or so, they got what they needed. Then the next day we went out and went hunting and that was more of kind of like the chill, relax and they'll just get what they can while we're doing it.

And then fishing was the same thing. The fishing was crazy, like my third cast I caught like an eight-pounder. I was like, all right, what do y'all want next?



Q. A slightly different subject. Sahith Theegala was in here this week and he just recently got engaged. He kind of walked us through that process and it was kind of entertaining. You're in the same situation, you just recently got engaged.

CHANDLER PHILLIPS: Yep.

Q. Can you tell us any exciting, interesting stories from that moment for you?

CHANDLER PHILLIPS: Oh, man. Yeah, I can.

She had always told me, she was like, you know, you've got to make sure there's a photographer, you've got to make sure my nails are done, this and that.

I'm just like this girl has found out everything. Like throughout the six years we've been together, I've never gotten anything past her. She knows everything. I'm just like, this is going to be the one thing you ain't gonna have a damn clue it's coming.

So we actually, we went down to her uncle's place and we went dove hunting and I did it in a dove field. She had no idea. It was perfect.

Her mom videoed it, but we can't post the video because she is losing her mind and saying some things that can't be posted on social media.

Q. Did that make you feel as good as shooting 64 today?

CHANDLER PHILLIPS: You're trying to get me in trouble, man.

Q. Or better. Thanks, Chandler.

CHANDLER PHILLIPS: Thank you.

