

FINAL ROUND INTERVIEW
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SCOTT McCARRON (-17)

Q. Obviously a great season, but not the finish that you wanted. Can you just talk us through your round today?

SCOTT McCARRON: There's not really much to say today about the round. It wasn't very good. I got off to a bad start, three-putted the first hole from about 50 feet. Then birdied the second hole, which is good. Then got a gust of wind, blew me over and I kind of swiped it and went out of bounds. Yeah, that was unfortunate.

But I came back strong, had a couple good shots, missed it from about eight feet. Next hole, missed it from about six feet. Next hole, kind of made a mess of a hole that I drove it over the green. It was just one of those things, I couldn't quite get it going, but I was still hanging in there. And with nine holes to play at the time, I still had a chance. I had a good opportunity at 10, just missed it. And I hit a poor tee shot on 11, which cost me a bogey. By then, I looked up and Vijay's at 21 or whatever he was at at that point and it was like almost over.

Q. When did you first find that out? What hole were you on, do you remember?

SCOTT McCARRON: 12, 13, right around there. So I knew I had to play some good golf. I was three behind at the time, but that bogey hurt me. Then I hit some good shots after that and I just kept getting breaks that weren't quite going my way today.

Then made a nice birdie on 15 and almost birdied 16, and then bladed a wedge over the green into the grandstands on 17 and had, you know, unfortunately no drop at all. I hit a great shot to get in the bunker, and I hit a great bunker shot and I gassed a four-footer.

Birdied the last hole, and it looks like that will get me to finish second in the Schwab Cup. So every year I'm getting better; I was fourth, third, and now I'm second. So there's only one more place to go and that's No. 1, and I'll be shooting again for that next year.

To look at the start of the year, if you would have said, hey, with nine holes to go, you had a chance to win the Schwab Cup, I'd say, let's go, let's take it. Unfortunately, I'm a little disappointed in the way I performed today.

Vijay played excellent. I mean, my goodness, 10 under today with this wind is a great round. That's probably the best round of the year, I think, of anybody. He pulled it off when he needed to to go ahead and win the tournament.

Q. What will you take from this into next year? Every time we talk, I feel, if you're

winning or not, it's all about your putting, right?

SCOTT McCARRON: You know, I putted pretty good most of the week, and I drove the ball pretty good. Today I was just a little off. I didn't drive the ball as well as I have been. With the wind, we had a lot of left-to-right holes out there and I've always struggled with left-to-right wind because I'm a cutter. I didn't start them far enough left and was holding on a little bit. So it was just one of those things that with no wind, I think it's a different story today. But with this golf course with a lot of crosswinds that I was having a problem with, because I couldn't start them left enough because there's trees down the left side, you know, which made it difficult for me. So, you know, this is the way it goes.

Q. And looking forward to next year, this two-month break now --

SCOTT McCARRON: I'm really looking forward to the offseason is what I'm looking forward to, Jackie.

Q. Do you have fun plans there?

SCOTT McCARRON: I'm going to stay at home and play with my dog and be with my wife and we're going to enjoy our new home in Mooresville and just hang out there. I'm really looking forward to this offseason. In a couple weeks I'll start preparing for next year.

Q. In a couple weeks, that soon?

SCOTT McCARRON: Well, maybe a month.