

ROUND 3 QUICK QUOTES
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Q. I know you didn't want to double 18, but it doesn't look like it's going to hurt you.

KIRK TRIPLETT: Well, yeah, you never know. I mean, you want to always control your own destiny in this game, and I did a nice job of that. I did really well on the front nine, made some long birdie putts. Was trying to stay patient and let a couple shots slip.

I mean, the conditions are horrific. It's blowing hard and you just played five or six holes in the trees and you come out in the open and it's like, man, I'm not really sure what this is going to do.

Then I got an awkward lie and I should have laid up, should have played for bogey. But I thought I could chip it down there to the front. I got one foot in the bunker, one foot out. Before you know it, I had a poor weight shift and the ball's going the one place you didn't want it to go, right?

Should have just laid it up and then wedged it on and had a putt at 4 in that situation.

Q. Are you proud of yourself to hang in there on 72? Nobody wants to be 72, I get that, but --

KIRK TRIPLETT: Well, I hate to say it, but it's like the most meaningful golf I played this season. I've just been 40th, 50th. My best finishes are in the 20s and 30s. I'm not playing well but I'm not managing my game well and I'm not competing well and all of those things are snowballing.

I look around, I don't see too many guys older than me doing it, so you know that there's a reason, right, because otherwise, whether you get tired -- I think it's just energy. You've done it for so long, you've been successful. Like I say, today I accepted -- like yesterday, same thing, accepted the challenge.

Hey, it's gritty out there, go out there and whoever gives up first is probably going to lose. I don't think either Brandt or I gave up. You should have seen us, we played together on Friday, we did not look like two guys who could break 80 two days in a row. I mean, we were awful. So both of us summoned up something at least coming down the stretch. If he makes birdie on 18 and knocks me out, good on him, he did it and he hung in there and more power to him.

Q. Otherwise he wants to know if you got \$200 he can win.



KIRK TRIPLETT: Well, see, this is the thing, right? You play 22 events. \$200? My partner and I are sitting at the team championship and I decide -- he says, "I'm going to go catch a flight," right? I decide to withdraw because it's just inconvenient, I don't want to miss my flight. There's a couple grand right there that would throw me up three places.

So the little decisions that you make like that. And if you're a Monday morning quarterback in this game, man, man. I tell all these young players I talk to a lot of times, I say, "You want to really, really see something interesting? Take one shot off every day's score and see how much money, what a difference that makes at the end of the year." One stinking shot, one stinking shot.

Q. Are we getting close to maybe the end for you?

KIRK TRIPLETT: I've talked to a few guys that I always try and learn from, the people that come before, and to a man they say do not stop playing until your eligibility is up because you will miss it.

So if I had something to do, like if you need an assistant or you know anybody, right, maybe it would be easier, but for right now I'm a PGA Tour Champions professional and when's the next tournament.

Q. Next week for you.

KIRK TRIPLETT: I hope so.

