



U.S. Amateur Four-Ball

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Desert Mountain Club, Scottsdale, Ariz.
Second Round (Cochise Course)

Drew Stoltz & Drew Kittleson

Q. You'll be in a top position going into match play tomorrow and you've made a couple finals before, what's it going to take over the next three days to win these five matches?

Stoltz: "I think the key to this thing is you just have to ham and egg. Today we didn't do as good of a job of it as yesterday, but there are going to be stretches where one guy isn't playing good, another guy needs to pick him up. I just think keeping squares off the card. You make some birdies over the course of the match but just don't give holes away. I think you have to ham and egg it a little bit to do that."

Q. There's a lot of Arizona guys playing well this weekend. How much of an advantage do you think it was over the last two days to play a kind of home game?

Kittleson: "I'm sure its an advantage, I wouldn't put it as some drastic thing. I don't think a lot of the guys that are in the field play out here a bunch, so I wouldn't completely say it is a home course. You play the grass, the temperature and all the stuff that is normal to us. There's no trees, relatively speaking, so it's kind of open. That is normal to us, but maybe not normal to

someone from the Midwest or East Coast or something."

Q. What were conditions like today at Cochise compared to yesterday at Outlaw?

Stoltz: "The wind was substantially more out here today. It was in and out too, so it was a steady 10+ and then it would gust to 20 and things like that. It was tricky. Also, I think these greens were a little firmer out here today too so getting the ball close on some holes was trickier than yesterday. We also got off super early yesterday so we got it as soft as you could get it. Today was a little tougher and we put a few bogeys on the card today and you try to not make too many of those typically."

Q. What has it been like to have family and friends follow you around the last two days?

Stoltz: "It's cool. We've played in five of these things. It's never been at home. I've played golf my whole life and rarely do you play at home. My mom and dad are out here, that's a cool thing. They want to watch as much golf as they can, they just don't get the chance to do it. This is really one of the only things I play in all year. For me, it's a cool deal. We've got our close buddies caddying for us, we've got friends and family in the gallery. If we can piece a few wins together in match play, we might even have a few more. That's the goal."