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[00:00:37] >> Opening round coverage of the Club Car Championship at the Landings Golf and Athletic Club. Golf now in the low country for the next couple of weeks. Savannah, Georgia this week for the Korn Ferry Tour. First stateside event of the season. We've got the strongest feel of the season. Some big names taking a part of the Club Car Championship this year. And we've also got a 17-year-old making his debut on the Korn Ferry Tour. Blades Brown in the field this week. Good look at where we're at in Savannah, Georgia. Smack dab in the southeast portion of the state. Some views and looks around this great golf course. This event won tournament of the year last year on the Korn Ferry Tour and for good reason. And by the way, if there's a hangout in Savannah, I'd say this is probably the time to do it. Mid 70s every single day. Perfect conditions for golf. Winds are down. We are seeing some great sports.

[00:01:58] >> It is a Thursday at the Club Card Championship. We've got some big names in the hunt playing well. Alistair Docherty here at the 8th. Excellent tee shot at the par 3. And that is a very good read. Pours that in. Little Thursday fist pump for Docherty. Having a solid season, as is young Johnny Keefer, 24-year-old out of Baylor. Couple of pars to start, then he got on a heater. How about this pitch shot at 6? Stop quickly. He would kick that in for birdie at the par 5. And Keefer on a run right now, made birdie at the 3rd, the 4th, made that birdie there at 6, and then this, the approach at 7. Johnny Keefer is going to be a name you're going to want to know and follow closely. One of the best young players in professional golf. And that would tie him for the lead. Keefer at 4-under par.

[00:02:56] >> You know, James, it's interesting to watch this grouping today. I mean, you think about Justin Suh, we've mentioned number 1 ranked amateur in the world, kind of came out with that big class with Viktor Hovland and Matthew Wolff. And Cole Hammer was much of the same. I mean he wins multiple times as a freshman at the University of Texas. Everybody's like this is the next big thing. And both players have, I would just say maybe struggled a little bit to reach where I think they thought they'd be at this point in their careers. Putt like that, you're going to have no issues continuing to move up. That was a great roll from Hammer.

[00:03:25] >> Just one birdie all day today at 12.

[00:03:26] >> Well, there's a reason for that, Shane, Straight back into the wind, 182. There's only about five paces of green in front of the ball. Anything out to the right has to be where these players are looking. Is on a beautiful line starting at the center of the green and drawing right at it. Oh, what a shot.

[00:03:33] >> Keefer not scared of that hole location.

[00:03:34] >> And I say that this hole plays more difficult than it should because, obviously, they manipulate the yardages throughout the week. It goes from being a 9-iron upwards to being 180 yard shot. But it's almost like center of the green will always leave you in good stead here.

[00:03:48] >> Suh had a good picture there from Keefer. This is also right at it. Maybe just a touch right.

[00:03:56] >> Oh, my goodness. These guys are taking dead aim at 12. What a shot.

[00:04:00] >> All right, James, you got to give us a read here as well. Keefer for birdie.

[00:04:05] >> Straight uphill, left to right. It's all about predicting the wind and committing to your line, so keep the pace up.

[00:04:14] >> The man did play here, did get around the Landings Golf and Athletic Club.

[00:04:27] >> Now, Suh. Not as good a look as you're going to have here at 12.

[00:04:34] >> Well, straight downwind. It will have a lot of speed. Tough to get these started on line.

[00:04:39] >> Great putt. Second birdie of the day here at 12.

[00:04:44] >> Myles Creighton having himself a day, found the surface here at the 5th. This for eagle to get to 6-under par.

[00:04:50] >> It's about as close as you can get it with these breeze flowing straight downwind today. On line but it's always difficult to hit those putts. That would usually be quick, but straight back into the breeze.

[00:05:04] >> Trace Crowe, that's for an eagle. Looking for the second eagle here today.

[00:05:09] >> I got to get there. Oh, no. What's the one rule of an eagle putt?

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[00:05:24] >> Make it?

[00:05:24] >> Get it there. OK. Let's get it there. Make it also a rule. Pretty high rule. Maybe 1B.

[00:05:30] >> Trace Crowe coming off the PGA Tour. He was a winner a couple years ago at the NV5 Invitational over Patrick Fishburn.

[00:05:38] >> See if Creighton can get to 5-under.

[00:05:41] >> He can takes advantage of the tee shot.

[00:05:47] >> Oh, they're loving it there at the 5th.

[00:05:52] >> Here's Sudarshan Yellamaraju who looked for an eagle. Mention I've not seen a lot of him since that victory. Right back at it, didn't he, James? Got to get to 3-under.

[00:06:03] >> Especially winning by five. Just setting the scoring record in the second event in the Bahamas, dominating the field, and especially how good he looked the last two days.

[00:06:13] >> Now, Suh at 14.

[00:06:24] >> That's why it's so dangerous going for this shot in two because you had to get very crafty.

[00:06:34] >> See if Hammer can knock this in.

[00:06:36] >> Yeah, once they get to 18, that's not going to be the easiest par 5 as they are playing dead back into the wind. Next few holes should play down. But right now, win straight into Kennerley's space. Moving from right to left on this putt. Wind may play a little bit of a factor on how this ball moves.

[00:06:59] >> Really good putt from Hammer here. He's looked nice with that broomstick style putter there.

[00:07:07] >> See if Suh can get this up and in from that awkward spot.

[00:07:11] >> That was a beautiful chip there, Shane. Able to get it to this 6-foot range. Now, just looking to convert.

[00:07:22] >> Convert, he does. Great birdie.

[00:07:25] >> Back here at the 6th, Blaum chance to sneak out of that group in a 5-under. Oh yeah, great putt.

[00:07:37] >> Mentioned the 18th playing difficult today. Here's Nick Watney. I hate to say this, by the way, the 43-year-old.

[00:07:45] >> How's Nick Watney 43?

[00:07:47] >> I'm 43 this year.

[00:07:48] >> Yeah, but you're old. Watney is a five-time winner on the PGA Tour. What a shot. My goodness. Swinging like he's 24.

[00:07:57] >> Here's Christo at 16.

[00:08:04] >> OK.

[00:08:05] >> That's fine. It's a very quick putt from there.

[00:08:09] >> Showed you that great approach from Nick Watney here at the 18th. Trying to pay it off. And he does.

[00:08:19] >> And now, the best in the group to this point today for a two.

[00:08:25] >> Beautiful look. Back uphill, sliding, hooking, I guess, from right to left.

[00:08:31] >> That is so good. Very, very unlikely two at 17. Go to the 18th, Jorge Fernandez Valdes with his third.

[00:08:50] >> Valdes winning a couple seasons ago in a playoff. Unfortunately, just missed out on his PGA Tour card.

[00:08:57] >> That'll do. And have to get to 4-under and post 68.

[00:09:03] >> Back at the 16. Christo trying to bounce back with a bird.

[00:09:08] >> Fairly straight. Very quick.

[00:09:10] >> Perfect read. Excellent roll.

[00:09:13] >> Shows you that approach to the 18th. Valdes trying to pay it off. Excellent birdie. Good opening round. Sixty-eight for Jorge.

[00:09:41] >> Only 107 left for Keefer. Wind in off of the left. Pin is in a little bit of a bowl here, so really trying to be precise of where he lands this and control that spin. It does fall off quickly in front of the green.

[00:10:03] >> Another really good well struck iron shot.

[00:10:08] >> Now, Westmoreland. He's been very good from around the greens today.

[00:10:28] >> And really good touch, especially penalty area behind the flagstick, straight back into the breeze. Little nerves there. You could leave that quite some ways short.

[00:10:39] >>Now, Keefer for the solo lead.

[00:10:41] >> From right around 15 feet. Pretty straight overall. When it dies, it will want to move to his right.

[00:10:56] >> What a round of golf. Twenty-four-year-old has continued to impress.

[00:11:15] >> Westmoreland. Hey, he's been aggressive on the par 5s and it's paid off, James, if he can knock this in.

[00:11:23] >> That's good birdie. Keefer setting the pace with that 65. Creighton with 66. Trace Crowe, 66. And a winner from earlier in the season, Sudarshan Yellamaraju, very impressive 67. He's just a couple off the lead.

[00:11:46] >> Second round coverage of the Club Car championship at the Landings Golf and Athletic Club. And after a really, really fun Thursday, we are seeing fireworks on this Friday in Savannah, Georgia. Conditions ideal for scoring, players taking full advantage of a windless morning here at the Landings. Austin Hitt, 7-under through seven. Players making serious moves after, as we said, a slightly more difficult Thursday than we're used to seeing at the Club Card Championship. Seventy-five degrees, as you see, winds down, and an opportunity in this second round to really, really make a move.

[00:12:26] >> And we mentioned that grouping earlier today, second off the 1st. All three players making eagle at the 5th, including Etienne Papineau, who's making a move today. That's the pitch in for the two. And he's just one shot off the lead.

[00:12:40] >> And we're going to see some eagles here. Unlike yesterday, back right hole location only, 290 yards, 270 to the front. No wind for these guys. That is still easily attainable. So beautiful putt from Papineau there. As we go to Menante here. Just love his game. Plays fast, aggressive, and a beautiful shot here.

[00:13:11] >> Here's Hirata at 14. I mean, you can't ask for a better place to pitch from.

[00:13:18] >> All these players would have a big tick in their yardage book at that left side of the green for the majority of those hole locations.

[00:13:27] >> Menante at 2-over par. Needs to make a whole bunch of these in a hurry.

[00:13:31] >> Well, this is a good putt to start with. There you go, right in the middle. Nice birdie from Dylan. Now, Hirata, lovely little pitch shot, and a very, very impressive professional birdie there at 14. Over to the short par-4 5th, Chase Sienkiewicz.

[00:13:53] >> Only 290 all the way back there. Oh, there's a bit of a hill here. This could get really good.

[00:14:02] >> Come on now.

[00:14:03] >> What a shot. That'd be left for eagle.

[00:14:06] >> We go to Hitt.

[00:14:14] >>Has not missed a green today.

[00:14:21] >> Beautiful shot there from Austin Hitt.

[00:14:24] >>Right level.

[00:14:26] >> Well, Sienkiewicz in here close. Young man went to the great university in Southern Arizona. Only produces legends, you know, that school does.

[00:14:36] >> Got a feeling someone sitting next to me might have went there.

[00:14:39] >> Yeah, maybe.

[00:14:55] >> One of those disappointing birdies. Always funny to --

[00:15:02][ Applause ]

[00:15:04] >> And Nicholas getting ready to play. And every one of these caddies and players came up to me afterwards and they are all as shocked as we are at how fast Menante plays. His caddie just has a full on sweat going. Trying to stay in front of him.

[00:15:18] >> Getting his cardio in on a Friday.

[00:15:23] >> Also a really good shot. Just left.

[00:15:25] >> Hole high. Great swing.

[00:15:30] >> Here's Hitt. Chance for a birdie. Keep it going. Oh, yeah, rolls another one in. Austin Hitt, 8-under on the day, 10-under for the tournament. Here's Nicholas at 17. There we go. Excellent roll. Much needed from this group. Now, quickly over to Menante.

[00:16:08] >> Hold off, finish here. Trying to carve something in. It's on line. Sometimes, the closer you get with the wedge, harder to push it all the way back there and know that it might spin a little bit. And I've always thought that's one of the more difficult shots for these guys.

[00:16:26] >> James Nicholas' third shot.

[00:16:28] >> This hole location back right. Do not go long.

[00:16:35] >> Very nice effort.

[00:16:40] >>Right where he was looking.

[00:16:53] >> Menante on the way. In the hole. Great putt.

[00:17:00] >> Surprised he wasn't at the hole when it fell in. It almost looks like he's trying to play speed golf, you know what I'm saying? Just like with the way he's pacing to pick the ball out of the hole.

[00:17:16] >> Nicholas now just outside left edge.

[00:17:27] >> Great roll. Needed it.

[00:17:30] >> Emotional interview getting his Korn Ferry Tour card at PGA Tour Q School at the end of last year, 5-under his last 9 holes. So excited to have full status or guaranteed status for the first eight events.

[00:17:44] >> Joe Weiler here at the 5th. Long look for birdie.

[00:17:52] >> Putting up a very steep incline.

[00:17:56] >> Going to get there, going to get there. Oh, sure it is. How about that birdie? Unlikely five.

[00:18:04][ Applause ]

[00:18:11] >> Back to the 1st. Anderson up the hill for bird.

[00:18:18] >> OK.

[00:18:19] >> There we go. Gets one to drop.

[00:18:21] >> Got a birdie on the card. Going to need a couple more.

[00:18:29] >> Fun to follow Austin Hitt today. Impressive opening nine holes.

[00:18:35] >> The weather looks great on the weekend by the way. And that is an excellent leaderboard, James. Opportunity today for these players, especially those in the afternoon window to go out there and make a statement.

[00:18:42] >> Would you expect anything less from the Korn Ferry Tour? Minus-14 won here last year. And today, everyone going nuts, and the scoring average nearly 2.5 under par.

[00:19:00] >> Third round coverage of the Club Car Championship at the Landings Golf and Athletic Club, reigning tournament of the year this past season on the Korn Ferry Tour. Excellent event. First one stateside this season on the Korn Ferry Tour in lovely Savannah, Georgia, one of the great towns in America. You can have brunch, you can have a cocktail, you can play some golf. Good place for a buddies trip, good place to take your significant other, and good place for the Korn Ferry tour each season. Eighth playing of the Club Car Championship as the golf world focuses its April attention on the State of Georgia.

[00:19:32] >> A lot of fans out on a pretty Saturday in Savannah. Good weather all week long.

[00:19:37] >> It is Saturday at the Club Car Championship, and we are seeing some scoring. How about the 36-hole leader, Russell Knox, here at the par-3 8th?

[00:19:48] >> This is going to be about as close as you can get to a one. Lands it on the front, rolls out. Excellent approach from Knox. Unfortunately, for Russell, just 1-under on the day. That is not going to do it considering the way so many players are going about their business. How about Jeremy Gandon, the 28-year-old Frenchman? Red hot in this third round. Rolls it in for birdie there at 13. And he's just filling it up on this Saturday. This at the par-5 14th. Already 8-under par on the day.

[00:20:21] >> Beautiful pitch shot. Would make that for birdie. He's 9-under through 14. And Gandon is our leader.

[00:20:30] >> Here he is at 15. Shane Bacon alongside James Nitties. As we watch Gandon, you can catch fire around the landings and he's doing just that, James.

[00:20:38] >>Another brilliant shot.

[00:20:40] >> Go up to the 17th. John VanDerLaan, he's 5-under.

[00:20:44] >> VanDerLaan, a nice player in the wind. He would begging for it to pick up this afternoon.

[00:20:51] >> What a shot. Really nice.

[00:20:54] >> We'll go out to our leader. This to get to 10-under on the day.

[00:20:59] >> I mean, these are simple birdie putts, James. Everyone he's hitting in there inside of 6, 7 feet, and you talk about circles on a scorecard. Impressive stuff.

[00:21:07] >> Go up to 17. Excellent tee shot from VanDerLaan. See if he can pay it off.

[00:21:13] >> That is a nice two. Gandon is going to hit a provisional.

[00:21:18] >> Yeah, this is a much better shot. Up that left center. This is beautiful. Player B is always a little bit better than Player A.

[00:21:27] >> Back here at 13. Aggressive play off the tee for Russell Knox.

[00:21:32] >> Tucks left hole location. Can use this breeze to work it in there. Takes advantage of that long drive. The aggression pays off.

[00:21:39] >> Go back to the 16.

[00:21:50] >> Jeremy Gandon now after hitting his provisional, only 118 yards into this front right pin location. Got to make sure you get it to at least pin high. Anything short right will spin off the green. Driving this in low. Pretty good line.

[00:22:15] >> Good recovery.

[00:22:16] >> Back to 13. Aggressive tee shot, excellent approach. Let's see if Knox can get that putter to roll like it did a day ago.

[00:22:23] >> Yeah, just catches that left edge. Needed one and got it. Solid birdie there for Knox.

[00:22:32] >> Now, Gandon, a big putt here to drop just one. Just would not move that much. And that's going to be a double bogey. First time he has blinked today.

[00:23:05] >> Go back to our last groupie, Mitchell Meissner. One par 5 to another.

[00:23:11] >> This whole playing about 600 yards with this wind direction. Straight back into the teeth in --

[00:23:18] >> Nice shot. Come on.

[00:23:23] >> Go back to 16, Rick Lamb. Get this to go.

[00:23:31] >> Yeah, great putt.

[00:23:33] >> Back here with Russell Knox at the 14th. Third shot into the par 5.

[00:23:38] >> Good yardage, good angle.

[00:23:50] >> Talking about aggressive play. Back over of 14.

[00:24:01] >> Incredible to have that opportunity for eagle. Just tough to read how it was going to roll through that fringe portion. Very quick from there too, but nothing better than a tap in on a hole that's playing with the wind around 600 yards.

[00:24:14] >> As we watch Knox here at 14.

[00:24:22] >> Come on. What a putt. Knox from long range.

[00:24:27] >> Really big shot here. Got to catch it clean.

[00:24:40] >> OK, that's aggressive.

[00:24:45] >> The breeze just held that out. And what a testament to his mental fortitude here. That shot from about 170 yards out of the fairway bunker to get it to that position with everything that's going on.

[00:24:57] >> Into the wind.

[00:24:58] >> Into the wind.

[00:25:01] >>Now, Lamb.

[00:25:08] >> Good time to be a left hander. What a shot.

[00:25:14] >> Go to the tee here at 17.

[00:25:17] >> And Crowe on the tee. Would love to find a couple coming in here. Still in this golf tournament, if he can. One round left, 157 here at the 17th hole. Downwind.

[00:25:35] >> This is on beautiful line, if the number's right.

[00:25:41] >> That's right. What a shot. Beauty there from Crowe.

[00:25:44][ Applause ]

[00:25:49] >> We'll go up to 18. And the interesting final play from Lamb continues. See if you can pay it off.

[00:25:56] >> Oh, just in the right side. Good solid birdie and a good solid round from Rick Lamb, 67.

[00:26:06] >>Higgo with his third.

[00:26:12] >> Flight, a wedge shot in here.

[00:26:20] >> Beautiful. Haven't seen a lot close. Need a good yardage to really be aggressive. If you're in between, you'll see a lot of players kind of hit it out there behind that hole location.

[00:26:29] >> As we go back to play here at 17, Crowe in there tight. And pays it off. How about that, too?

[00:26:39][ Applause ]

[00:26:45] >> Tough putt to read, but not for Higo.

[00:26:50] >> Finally, we see someone make that putt and rounds out a nice round of 69 here. Keeps himself in contention.

[00:26:57] >> I mean, battle.

[00:27:03] >> Knox with that break. This his third.

[00:27:06] >> This from just inside of 125 yards on a slight upslope. Wind laying down just a little bit at the moment. And there is a backstop beyond the pin.

[00:27:20] >> Right where he's looking. That just give himself an opportunity for birdie to finish it out here and take a tying lead, if he can.

[00:27:28] >> Trace Crowe now is going to have a similar shot, where he's going to have to land the ball short of the green, from left of it and long.

[00:27:37] >> I like this play, Andres, just because you can see the dark lines and the light lines. There's so many variables trying to pitch this. You need to get the bounce right, the contact right, and especially being downwind. But just with as good as these fairways are and how they roll out, this is not a bad play here.

[00:27:54] >> Yeah, I don't mind the play, but it's still going to be a tough task to roll it through the 15 yards of fringe. And then, once you get to the green, it rolls directly away from you, downhill. Looks like he's judged it pretty well, though. Let's see where this ends up.

[00:28:14] >> That is just really well done. Not a lot of options there. That was right one for Crowe.

[00:28:19] >> I'm not -- Yeah, I'm not sure if you're going to get it much closer than that if you pitch it, but nice decision there made by Trace.

[00:28:25] >> You just take the big mistake out when you go with putter.

[00:28:39] >> Now, Russell Knox just been hanging around today. Lit the golf course up on Friday, 64 in the second round. See if he can make one last great stroke. And if he does, he'll be tied for the lead come Sunday.

[00:29:17] >> Walking it in. Great birdie at the last for Knox.

[00:29:21] >> And Knox closes with a four, round of 69, the man from Inverness, Scotland. I'm sure he's asking for more wind on Sunday.

[00:29:34] >> See if Trace Crowe can really finish this round in a flurry.

[00:29:50] >> Yeah. Five back, he did. What a birdie. Great decision with that third.

[00:29:54] >> That is how you turn pretty ugly third round into something respectable. And he's going to be right there. He's at 11-under par, James. That's in the Top 10 right now.

[00:30:02] >> And Russell Knox, you talk about experience versus maybe not so much in this final grouping come Sunday. Jeremy Gandon will be out there alongside a two-time PGA Tour winner. Gandon going to have to find that level of play in that putter that we saw the first 15 holes.

[00:30:18] >> Only one other winner in that Top 6 guys on this leaderboard. So, it's going to be interesting to how Russell Knox controls his nerves on the final day trying to get back to that form that he was when he won on the PGA Tour.

[00:30:32] >> A great event, Military Appreciation Day on this Saturday. And tomorrow, the focus will be on the golf and these players. See who can show up and show out. Birdies are out there. And it's a golf course that closes with a bang. That's what Russell Knox did today with that last putt at 18, two at 14. Excited for Sunday.

[00:30:58] >> Final round coverage of the Club Car Championship at the Landings Golf and Athletic Club, eighth playing of this event. Great event. Reigning tournament of the year on the Korn Ferry Tour last season. Produced some big winners, some big names that have done stuff on the PGA Tour. Looking to crown another champion on this Sunday. Savannah, Georgia is the site, and the Landings is the place where it's happening this week on the Korn Ferry Tour. First time the Korn Ferry Tour has played in the US this year. Had a lot of winners already, James. It's been a great season to this point. We've seen some of the bigger names on the Korn Ferry Tour take home titles. And now, you got Russell Knox, obviously has had a lot of success as a professional looking to pick up another win in his very, very impressive tour career. It is Sunday at the Club Car Championship, the Landings Golf and Athletic Club. We've seen some great play already. How about Cole Sherwood? This at the 18th for birdie. Ties his career low round on the Korn Ferry Tour with that 64. He sits at 16-under par, one behind Russell Knox. How about Garrick Higgo? This at 11, trying to make a run at another title. Would be his first professional win since 2021. He would make that for birdie. He's one shot back of this man right here. Russell Knox, third shot at the par 5.

[00:32:18] >> Soft buttery hands. Look at this one.

[00:32:21] >> Just about holes it for eagle.

[00:32:23] >> He would kick that in for bird. And now, at the 8th.

[00:32:26] >> He's been ripping apart these par 3s this week. And putting great from this distance.

[00:32:34] >> Right in the heart for Knox. Would save par at the 9th with a lengthy putt as well.

[00:32:42] >>Here's Rick Lamb at the par 5.

[00:32:44] >> This is where you want you to leave your second shot. It's nearly impossible to get it on the surface here.

[00:32:53] >> What a shot. Full out eagle for Lamb. Carrying some speed, but didn't matter.

[00:32:58] >> Look out. Lamb moves within one now, doing exactly what you need to do at the par 5s here on the back nine.

[00:33:04] >> Beautiful eagle.

[00:33:06] >> Now, Garrick Hugo thinking you got to make four. Got to get this up and down.

[00:33:16] >> Unfortunately, just the force lay up into what looked to be an awkward yardage for Higgo. Able to spin it enough. And with that wind direction to that right flag, it's a little difficult.

[00:33:28] >> Here's Lamb coming off the eagle at 14, just one off the lead with Knox in a bit of trouble behind him.

[00:33:36] >> See what he can do. That's a pretty good shot.

[00:33:37] >> Right where you want to putt from there. Straight uphill.

[00:33:41] >> Back up at the par 5, Emilio Gonzalez just off the green.

[00:33:48] >> So difficult to get it close here. You have to land it short of the green. He was able to use the breeze to kind of deaden that as it landed. And very nice effort for Gonzalez. That'll be for birdie.

[00:34:02] >> Knox is going to be playing first, but playing directly back into the grain and upslope. Should be able to fly this on the green and landing into that dark colored grass. You should stop it pretty quickly. This is very makeable right here for Knox. Just needs to make sure he has clean contact.

[00:34:25] >> Could see he was just looking at that lie a little longer there. Got to be a lot of grain over the back.

[00:34:33] >> So an opportunity here for Gandon.

[00:34:35] >> He just wants to knock this right up onto the green.

[00:34:38] >> See if the club --

[00:34:40] >> That gets quick past the hole there.

[00:34:42] >> Club kind of catching at impact.

[00:34:45] >> Gonzalez just trickling this one on the green here at 14. See if he can knock this in, get within two.

[00:34:51] >> Yup. Got to take advantage of these par 5s.

[00:34:54] >> That's a stellar up and down there.

[00:34:56][ Applause ]

[00:35:00] >> See if Lamb can continue the momentum just to tie the lead.

[00:35:07] >> All about pace here. Straight uphill.

[00:35:17] >> There's another one. Pitch in at 14, birdie at 15. And Lamb tied at 17 under.

[00:35:26] >> Yeah, big putt here for Knox. One to stay in the lead, but two just to keep momentum going. Has not dropped a shot yet today. It's fairly straight back uphill, though.

[00:35:41] >> Well, talk about the margins in these windy conditions. You said it, James, that second shot, probably a yard too deep and he walks away with a five. So big putt here for Higgo. It's never going to turn that much.

[00:36:01] >> Still a good week for Higgo. He was coming into this week 105 on the points list. Now, projected into 24.

[00:36:08] >> Here's Gandon.

[00:36:09] >> That's 6.5 feet back upslope.

[00:36:16] >> Not his best stroke there.

[00:36:22] >> It's going to be bogey for Gandon. And he's the one of two players in the Top 20 that isn't under par.

[00:36:51] >> Higgo with a par at the last. Consistent golf from Garrick Higgo. Nice to see him play in this level. Haven't really seen this Higgo since 2021. He's all smiles. He knows how important this week was.

[00:37:04] >> Gandon just has to make something happen if he's going to chase down Knox.

[00:37:08] >> 0nly 3 yards of green to work with.

[00:37:11] >> Yup, good touch.

[00:37:14] >> We'll go up to 17. Hole that is given Gonzalez fits this week. Couple over on the par 3.

[00:37:28] >> Hasn't been great around the greens, but plenty of green to work with here. Straight up to that hole location and a good effort. Leaving an uphill par save.

[00:37:37] >> Now, Gandon.

[00:37:40] >> This for birdie.

[00:37:42] >> Great up and in.

[00:37:43] >> Needed that. Made something happen here.

[00:37:46] >> Go to 17.

[00:37:49] >> Gonzalez, this for par of stay at minus-15. Currently in sixth place alone.

[00:37:58] >> Gonzalez best result of the season was a fifth at the start of the year in the Bahamas. Trying to better that here this week.

[00:38:23] >> That's tough.

[00:38:24] >> Like a nervy putt there, Shane. A little bit of a D cell. Straight uphill. Want to see players be a little more aggressive than that.

[00:38:32] >> Jeremy Gandon trying to throw something there tight.

[00:38:39] >> Ball slightly below his feet to a slightly elevated green. Has not been striking it all that well with his irons. Let's see if he can get one here with a wedge.

[00:38:52] >> Beautiful. Really nice there.

[00:38:57] >> Lamb laying up here at 18, short par 5.

[00:39:06] >> OK, conservative for Lamb, but that'll be to get to minus-18. Extend his lead to two.

[00:39:12] >> He makes that. It could do it.

[00:39:17] >> Gandon coming off that birdie at 14, trying to go back to back. He does so, he'd be one back of Lamb.

[00:39:32] >> Right in the heart. What a putt.

[00:39:34] >> Jeremy Gandon not going away.

[00:39:37] >> We will go right there. Our leader, Rick Lamb. Crazy break here a day ago. Went for the green in two, hit the grandstands. It almost kicked back into the penalty area. Able to get that up and down for birdie to post that third round 67. And now, as big a putt as he's had in a long time.

[00:39:54] >> You knock this in post 18-under par, going to be tough for anybody to catch him.

[00:40:07] >> Straight back downhill, putting with the wind, going to break from his left to right.

[00:40:14] >> It's just going right all the way. And that is still carrying some speed. Not done yet.

[00:40:18] >> Back at the 17th, last pairing, one shot off the lead.

[00:40:22] >> This is on a phenomenal line.

[00:40:29] >> Oh, beautiful shot. One of the best of the day at 17.

[00:40:33] >> Incredible.

[00:40:35] >> Be interested to hear after the round the decision there from Lamb to lay up. The focus now.

[00:40:48] >> And he does it. Nice comebacker. All in all, it's a par. It felt a lot more stressful than that. Sixty-seven to match his round on Saturday. And now, Rick Lamb gets to sit and wait.

[00:41:12] >> Now, over to Gandon, where let's not forget, Andres, he got to minus-17 in vesterday's round. And that's the number he's trying to get to here in this final round.

[00:41:23] >> And James, one of the volunteers up here at the green said this was the closest shot of the day. So playing in the last group, saving the best for last. A little bit uphill, just outside the left edge here. Again, he's been putting well all week. So just looking to keep that going.

[00:41:53] >> What a two. Incredible. Hardest hole on the golf course.

[00:41:56] >> Gandon with one of the swings of his life.

[00:42:01] >> And for those just joining us, Jeremy Gandon was the story of Saturday. The 28-year-old Frenchman was 10-under par through 15 holes, looking like he might post a course record. Made double bogey at 16, made a bogey at 18, still a 65. And for Gandon, the experience, not quite there in terms of playing great on the Korn Ferry Tour, but he's won a lot and he's won a lot in different ways. Those Club Car cards, by the way, over from Quail Hollow, you're going to see those later this year.

[00:42:31][ Applause ]

[00:42:50] >> Second playoff of the season on the Korn Ferry Tour.

[00:42:52] >> So now, we're down to a match play situation. Such an advantage to be able to go first here. You find the fairway, just put some pressure back on to your playing partner. As a left hander, this is the wind you want, into off the left.

[00:43:15] >> Back into a slight breeze. Winds laying down. This is up the right side and drawing towards that bunker.

[00:43:37] >> Finds the sand. That's the nervy hook we've all had before.

[00:43:45] >> Yeah, James, you mentioned that it might be an advantage to go first, but my argument is that it might be an advantage right now for Gandon to be playing second, just the fact that he came straight off of his round and he is war This is up the center and drawing towards that cart path on the left hand side.

[00:44:08] >> 0h, boy. That is going to be close out of bound. I think it's going to stay in by a couple of yards.

[00:44:14] >> Wow.

[00:44:14] >> Lamb in the bunker. Gandon left nearly out of bounds.

[00:44:21] >> He's not quite out of bounds. He's about 4 yards from that out of bounds stake right there.

[00:44:27] >> Lamb has 250 to the hole. He's going to have to lay up. There's a big lip right in front of his golf ball. If he wanted to go for this green, he'd have to pay big slice. But just trying to get it back into position, give himself an opportunity with a wedge in his hand.

[00:44:55] >> Barely cleared the bunker, and he's going to have a long ways coming in.

[00:45:02] >> Now, Gandon with a decent lie. He could give this a rip.

[00:45:05] >> He has a really nice lie. Two-twenty-three to the front edge and 231 to the pin. There's a root in the ground about 8 inches in front of his ball. I'm sure that's going to be in the back of his mind just a little bit. This is right at it, if the number's right.

[00:45:29] >> Just right of the green in that bunker. Advantage, Gandon.

[00:45:35] >> Lamb is well back.

[00:45:39] >> He's got a nice lie, though. It's sitting up in that first cut of rough, just over that fairway bunker, and has 146 into this hole. Anything that needs -- he needs to at least cover the front edge, which is 137.

[00:45:55] >> Straight across?

[00:45:56] >> Yeah.

[00:46:11] >> See that right corner of the second tower?

[00:46:14] >> Yup.

[00:46:15] >> Just at that.

[00:46:19] >> OK.

[00:46:21] >> Big wedge?

[00:46:23] >> I don't think it's huge.

[00:46:24] >> 0K.

[00:46:25] >> Makes him come out a little low off the slide.

[00:46:28] >> OK. Yeah, I like that.

[00:46:29] >> Kind of a slighted drop.

[00:46:30] >> Yup.

[00:46:35] >> Well, he's got wedge in hand right now, boys. Off this slight downslope, it will take away a little bit of loft. Should come in driving low. Back into the breeze. That should help him out. Adrenaline's got to be pumping as well. Got to factor it in.

[00:47:01] >> Just crushed it.

[00:47:04] >> Just too far back to really consider flirting with the front part of this green and being precise. And that was all made from the second shot having to lay it to that position. There's a good number for that club being able to use the breeze to bring it in left to right. But now, advantage, Gandon.

[00:47:22] >> And James, with the way Jeremy has played this 18th hole this week, really struggling to find the fairway. I mean, you got to be thinking let's get it done right now. More of an advantage for a left hander off the tee. If you're Lamb, you get another crack at 18.

[00:47:34] >> Shane, it all comes down to is he in the face of the bunker? Does he have a good lie? If it's on that upslope, it makes this shot fairly simple.

[00:47:49] >> You also got to expect Rick Lamb to make this in this situation, being that it is that match play situation. Always have to count on your opponent making whatever they have left.

[00:48:00] >> As far as speed goes --

[00:48:02] >> Wind is starting to pick up just a little bit right now.

[00:48:05] >> As far as speed goes, Lamb had this range of putt in regulation. And remember, he hit 6 foot by now. He's going to take that into account. But it's all about the line.

[00:48:26] >> This is going to be very quick. Back down the slope, moving a little bit from right to left as it starts to lose speed.

[00:48:36] >> It's on a pretty good line if it keeps moving. So Jeremy Gandon, an opportunity up and in and the win.

[00:48:48] >> Arron, tee shot from Rick Lamb.

[00:48:50] >> Not his best fairway bunker shot. And he just gassed a wedge.

[00:49:04] >> And Shane, the reason you love these bunker shots as a professional that Gandon has is if you catch it a little heavy, you can still bounce forward. And if you get it perfect, of course and with the right spin, it's easy to hit it close. So, at a big moment here for the young Frenchman.

[00:49:21] >> Beautiful, beautiful golf shot there from Gandon.

[00:49:26] >> It'll be Lamb first to go. Got to make this. About half the distance he had in regulation to save his par.

[00:49:40] >> Not much to this putt. Straight back uphill. Minus the circumstances, he's made a hundred thousand of these putts. It's just a matter of doing it right now in the moment.

[00:49:49] >> He knows the line. He was exactly on this area in regulation.

[00:50:05] >> OK. Did what he had to do. That's a five for Rick Lamb.

[00:50:09][ Applause ]

[00:50:19] >> And Jeremy and his older brother, Sebastian, also a professional golfer, I'm sure had plenty of battles as youngsters with putts like this to win.

[00:50:29] >> This is a ticklish putt though. Three feet, again, straight downhill. Just start it in the middle. It will not break outside the hole either way.

[00:50:36] >> And there it is. Gandon, the champion in Savannah.

[00:50:39] >> What an up and down. The tee shot just skirting out of bounds. Four yards between having to re-tee, and then that bunker shot, and the moment.

[00:50:55] >> Just his 15th start on the Korn Ferry Tour.

[00:50:58] >> Gandon a winner.

[00:50:59] >> There's some celebration now. It's time to have a little bit of fun.

[00:51:04] >> Did not play this 18th hole well all week long.

[00:51:07] >> Saves his best for last. And Gandon, a playoff victory at the Club Car Championship.

[00:51:15] >> Impressive, Shane, considering came into this season with conditional status. Finished high for the 35th on the PGA Tour Americas last year. And just an incredible week for him.

[00:51:26] >> Fun to see. Always tight here at the Club Car Championship. But it is Jeremy Gandon with the birdie on the first playoff pole for the win. He is down with Andres Gonzales.

[00:51:38] >> You are now a Korn Ferry Tour champion. How does that feel?

[00:51:42] >> I don't know. I mean, it's surreal. I honestly didn't even know if I, you know, would still play golf today. So, yeah, I mean, I'm just over the moon right now.

[00:51:54] >> Well, congratulations and good luck the rest of the season.

[00:51:56] >> Yeah. Thank you.

[00:51:58] >> Excited to watch how this season unfolds for Jeremy Gandon.

[00:52:03] >> Very easy to focus on the birdie in the playoff. But that birdie on 17 regulation, what a shot there. You don't have your best stuff, not swinging it great. Some clutch, clutch golf shots down the stretch for Gandon.