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[00:00:26.290]>>The PGA TOUR proudly presents.

[00:00:30.079]>>The season-long race for the FedExCup.

[00:00:34.759]>>Now coverage of the 2026 AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am.

[00:00:43.959]>>And the scenes that are chicken soup for the golfer's soul, you might say, one of the game's most storied courses, Pebble Beach Golf Links, sits on the Monterey Peninsula butting up against this California coastline. A place where beauty meets history in equal measure, and one that our defending champion.

[00:01:01.365]>>Champion in Rory McIlroy said was a cathedral of the game. Hard to disagree. It's no stranger to golf's biggest championships this week. It is also home to our first Signature Event of the 2026 season, showcasing the tour's brightest stars on one of its grandest stages.

[00:01:22.629]>>This is where you'll be able to find us, about 2.5 hour drive south of San Francisco. Two golf courses in operation, there's pro-am format.

[00:01:32.069]>>In Spyglass Hill and Pebble Beach Golf Links, keeping company here in James Nitty's and Craig Perks, uh, Craig, a very special place to hang out. Yeah, Pebble Beach sacred ground, it has this charm, it has this mystique. It's all very familiar, this tournament's been coming to Pebble Beach since 1947, but the weather can be unpredictable.

[00:01:52.709]>>Under 7000 yards. Some of the, well, it is the tiniest screens on the PGA TOUR. It's mesmerizingly beautiful, and the land certainly delivers. And we've got the big

stage, we've also got the big field, James, really strong one dissemble. It definitely is having a Signature Event here. Everyone knows Pebble Beach. So many iconic memories.

[00:02:13.350]>>It's the number one public golf course in America. I remember Jack Nicholas hitting that one iron into 17, hitting the flag, Tom Watson chipping in, and who could forget the 100th US Open championship with in the 2000 of Woods winning by 15 shots. I've replayed that several times on in my house. Love to, to watch it back every time.

[00:02:35.899]>> Stephan Jager, 2nd to the 10th.

[00:02:40.110]>>At just 130 yards, be aggressive.

[00:02:44.130]>>Very nice.

[00:02:47.070]>>Uh dusting himself off after the disappointment of last week, Matsuyama.

[00:02:51.880]>>Yeah, his 2nd shot at the 8th hole, 214 yards, so a lengthy one.

[00:02:59.630]>>Again across the cliff, but you're sitting 100 ft above the Pacific Ocean from the 8th fairway and an excellent shot to get it whole high.

[00:03:13.529]>>McIlroy, chance for another birdie, yeah, just inside 15 ft, straight up the hill.

[00:03:19.130]>>Well, it's a wonderful start out in 31, another birdie, so there's 6 under par for McIlroy.

[00:03:28.220]>>The disheartening for the opposition you could say, alongside him for the ride is Matsuyama. He was 70th out of 73 guys off the tee last week, but he was 2nd approach, 2nd around the green, and 3rd on them. Everything's great. Hovland at the 10th, it's been a slow start for the Norwegian.

[00:03:46.330]>>Yeah, it was 3 over through his 1st 2 holes, this from 160 yards down the hill for Victor, and well that'll help.

[00:03:56.419]>>Good memories here

[00:03:58.229]>>At the par 3 5th, Russell Henley on the tee. Henley, a bit of a specialist in the signature events last season.

[00:04:05.330]>>He's played well here.

[00:04:07.809]>>Beautiful mid-iron player. Beautiful short iron player that one. He's the king of the bounce back, Rory needing one here, David. 157 into the breeze, 7 downhill, 150. Chippy 8 iron I think, just a little chip into the breeze. Sublime. Yeah, that is magnificent after the, the double bogey, talking about bounce back.

[00:04:32.369]>>His brother made a putt on the 18th hole and got down on his knees and sort of,

[00:04:37.119]>>Genuflected to the sacred ground, uh, excellent shot. After a poor break off the tee and get out of here with a pot.

[00:04:47.109]>>3rd shot here at the 16th for Rio, is it gone? And in it goes.

[00:04:52.529]>>What a round in progress to 8 under par. Yeah, I talked about that's a good place to miss the screen, you're pitching straight up the hill.

[00:05:06.829]>>Yeah. No, the grass was very heavy, and I think that all in all, maybe just didn't quite get through it as he anticipated.

[00:05:15.260]>>We jump up to the 17th Ryo Hitsatsune from 15 ft.

[00:05:20.200]>>And that putt for birdie, moving him to 9 under par.

[00:05:26.309]>>Over to the 11th, Chris Gotterup with a wedge from 91 yards.

[00:05:35.200]>>Sets up birdie to get to 6 under. Now, the par putt for Scottie Scheffler after the miscue from the fairway, you just expect him to make putts like this.

[00:05:46.489]>>Now 2 good saves on 9 and 10 for the world number 1.

[00:05:52.489]>>good chance to

[00:05:54.609]>>This thing reasonably close.

[00:05:58.899]>>It's, it's well done. Took all the trouble out of place short. Putt's gonna have some movement fast, sliding to his right.

[00:06:09.690]>>Kiwi down the hill, and that's helpful.

[00:06:13.660]>>Disappointing day for the burly man from Auckland.

[00:06:18.760]>>Right, for the birdie for 62, best round on tour. Brilliant up-and-down, brilliant round of golf for the 23-year old. Continuing the fine run of form.

[00:06:30.309]>>And I Si Woo Kim, chance to get to 5 under. Well this is it, part of his game, really has cost him from winning of late.

[00:06:41.089]>>He's

[00:06:42.350]>>He's tried different methods.

[00:06:44.589]>>Now Sam Burns on 17 from 27 ft.

[00:06:49.399]>>Beautiful iron shot here, straight up hill. Yes sir.

[00:06:55.170]>>It's not just Bermuda Burns, is it? It's Pera too.

[00:06:59.079]>>runner-up to McIlroy last year, Shane Lowry, 3 under today.

[00:07:03.980]>>Trying to fashion in, little hold off fade.

[00:07:10.140]>>This 10, how about that shot?

[00:07:15.480]>> Potgieter for a birdie.

[00:07:18.380]>>I love the bowing in his wrists, and he maintains that through the stroke. Yeah, that's a beautiful 3. Bogeyed 13 and 14, so nice late bounce back there.

[00:07:28.399]>>2nd shot to 15th for FedExCup #1.

[00:07:35.019]>>Especially to a front left hole location.

[00:07:39.200]>>It's just so pretty to watch the way he can use that shaft lean to to drive it in there and knock the spin off it.

[00:07:47.239]>>Well this will close things out nicely. Probably deserves to hold this.

[00:07:52.829]>>Oh sweet Lord, it's a 68 to start for McIlroy, it could have been better than two doubles there. Stand out like a sore thumb.

[00:08:01.910]>>Nick Taylor, fantastic, he's the type of guy that wants it.

[00:08:06.299]>>This one down the hill should break left and poured it right in the middle. That was a nice round of golf at Spyglass. He's battled back to level par, but trying to squeeze it under if he can across the last two.

[00:08:20.059]>>Quick, early, slow, late.

[00:08:23.760]>>No problems.

[00:08:25.640]>>After that start, just please can I get it back to under par and and finish fast, and that's what you need with the par 5 coming up.

[00:08:35.280]>>Gotterup down the hill from 1:13, what a view with the deer there.

[00:08:42.968]>>Oh, this one might go in as well. My word, oh my gosh, tap in on the previous hole. Another one here at 16. The wind from the right, which could be a little awkward here if you're trying to hit that cut. From the way he's aimed, he's gonna hit that low bullet draw through the tree. I done 90% here anyway.

[00:09:06.140]>>Lovely, just the ideal spot, pitching straight up the hill with his short game, absolutely he's gonna threaten the hole. Now, birdie putt for Scheffler. Yeah, he's beat himself up, this will be.

[00:09:18.679]>>Flavorful, if you can make this one down the hill.

[00:09:23.239]>>It's what we expected.

[00:09:25.679]>>Just the 3rd birdie of the round for the world #1.

[00:09:30.440]>>Been a better day for Matsuyama, trying to finish it off here, tickling it down the hill and in. Yeah, it was 4 under through 8 and 9 consecutive pars but nice to birdie the last. Over to Spyglass, Keegan Bradley for birdie on 17. Good job. Keegan Bradley find another birdie, and move to 9 under par with 1 to go.

[00:09:53.530]>>Here is the winner from Torrey Pines, Justin Rose, by 7 nonetheless as well. Oh, fantastic.

[00:10:03.140]>>Is it, from what we've been watching, from what you've seen so far, are you encouraged that this is a player that we're gonna be talking about for a good while? I think so, he's getting off to a great start this year, especially at the Farmers, he's playing well again this week.

[00:10:15.630]>>Round 2 is next.

[00:10:22.900]>>A picture perfect day once again for the players here in our first Signature Event of the year.

[00:10:29.070]>>But it's one with a difference. All alongside me to take you through the story. James Nitties, Craig Perks. Certainly a lot of great golf to admire, and this was the story, James. Well, definitely Ryo Hitsatsune, 10 under par, didn't play well off the tee, didn't play well from the fairway, so guess what, he got it done on the greens. A lot of guys missing short putts out there. Chris Gotterup wedge play, impressive.

[00:10:51.445]>>For a guy that's had a little bit of criticism in that part of his game, he's proven the haters wrong, and as Greg said, just scoring averages. I love the toothless beast, Paper Tigers with these conditions. These guys are gonna go get it, and if they stay the same, the scoring record could go down this week.

[00:11:09.340]>>Let's go to the 12th at Pebble Beach. Matt Fitzpatrick on the tee.

[00:11:17.369]>>Tough green to hit, tough par 3, but not for the Englishman, that's a beauty right there. 197. These greens are very receptive, and that's why the, the scoring average is being obliterated. Well this is where we are right now. Akshay Bhatia having a great round over at Spyglass Hill, that's also where our overnight leader Hisatsune is today. Remember, two courses in operation across these first two days.

[00:11:41.244]>>And it is the Pebble Beach pro-am, so each of these pros with an amateur, just for 36 holes now, used to be 3 courses in the rota. Now just 2 and just pros for the race to the individual title across Saturday and Sunday. Fleetwood continuing to impress the FedExCup Champion of 12 months ago.

[00:12:00.630]>>I think we might see maybe an ace today from one of these par threes at Pebble Beach. Everyone dancing round the hole, oh this is tidy stuff from Schaufele.

[00:12:13.419]>>3rd over at Spyglass Hill, playing straight back into the wind.

[00:12:19.070]>>175 yards, plays 21 paces downhill, so you need to get the club selection and your flight.

[00:12:27.359]>>Perfect, just like Bhatia did, another really good one, straight over it. Spieth now spinning this one back further than he would've liked.

[00:12:36.809]>>Oh, this looks like a bonus. Didn't he pour those in, when you go back to 2015, 2016, 2017 when he was an untouchable at the peak of the sport.

[00:12:47.549]>>Yeah, we saw a couple of players struggling with this tee shot yesterday, but this perfection pauses it in the middle.

[00:12:54.169]>>He's come so far, as soon as he added the long putter to his bag, more consistent.

[00:13:01.809]>>112 yards down 10, so 102 down Breeze. Just a little 95 shot. 3 quarter dink with a 56, try and take some spin off.

[00:13:15.010]>>That's confidence right there. The shot that, you know, many last year talked about how he refined a little bit. Gets Min Woo Lee put for 4. Yeah chance to shoot 32 going out, get to 9 under. Oh, I knew it all the way. Just 5 back of the lead.

[00:13:33.359]>>Got the firepower to overpower this place.

[00:13:38.510]>>Victor Hovland, 4th at Spyglass.

[00:13:42.469]>>Yeah, just a, uh, a gorgeous short hole of this green complex is incredible. Nearly 60 paces deep.

[00:13:51.380]>>88 hole Schauffele, he was just inside the top 140 with that club last year, which is a far cry from the man who won two major championships the year before that. Let's hope we'll see a return to form with a flat stick.

[00:14:04.880]>>Vegas at 17.

[00:14:07.020]>>A great spot to putt from here.

[00:14:10.809]>>Sneaks it in from the man in the pink pants today. Love it.

[00:14:16.739]>>Back to Pebble Beach, Alex Norran qualified off the back of being top 30 in the world rankings, it's one of the ways into these signature events. Gosh, what an end of the year for the Swede.

[00:14:28.090]>>And a beautiful shot here.

[00:14:31.750]>>Although the greens this soft, sometimes it's OK to play from the rough, you can take a little bit of the spin off the ball. Don't know, you weren't a huge fan of Bhatia hitting driver here, so he was in the garbage. James, you gotta let that go, brother. He just contradicted himself there.

[00:14:47.289]>>Birdie chance here for Scheffler, trying to get this show on the road.

[00:14:51.729]>>Trying to find some momentum, there you go.

[00:14:56.020]>>And a couple in a row.

[00:14:58.210]>>3 in his last

[00:15:00.580]>>5 holes. And this would be a nice way to end his run out to the far end of this course.

[00:15:08.650]>>Yeah, that, listen, that's 2 birdies in 89, and 10, that's, that's wonderful.

[00:15:17.169]>>Over to 17, Mackenzie Hughes.

[00:15:20.309]>>On the 169 yard par 3.

[00:15:27.059]>>beautiful shot there.

[00:15:31.390]>>89 yards for McIlroy, pocket to pocket swing required here with a mid wedge. Just a little dinky one.

[00:15:38.940]>>Great example of what you guys have been talking about, control of the spin there.

[00:15:45.070]>>OK.

[00:15:48.450]>>Matsuyama, best place to putt from, maintain pace and pour it right in. Beautiful putt there for Matsuyama, that's the 5th birdie of the day.

[00:16:00.419]>>Fleetwood

[00:16:05.900]>>Great contact here.

[00:16:09.349]>>Oh beautiful

[00:16:11.340]>>We'll shot that.

[00:16:13.809]>>OK, now Fowler, this for Birdie and co-lead. Great opportunity from below the hole. Oh beautiful, dead center.

[00:16:23.570]>>Fowler, ties Bhatia now racing home.

[00:16:32.080]>>of course a bit of golf to play here today, but good angle.

[00:16:39.020]>>Oh, very nice indeed.

[00:16:41.619]>>Not an easy hole the 9th.

[00:16:46.789]>>Scheffler, can he make something special happen here? Pick up a couple of shots. James, you're not looking so good for your 22nd for Scottish Sha finish this week. You got to, OK, we've, we've jumped now from it's like he heard you. Well, at least to 31st.

[00:17:05.300]>>Now Noren approach to 15.

[00:17:11.078]>>Noren missing his first few cuts of the season out here on the PGA TOUR, so good news this week. He's making it to the weekend no matter what, and those shots like that.

[00:17:21.760]>>I mean he wants to move up to the leaderboard, beautiful shot from the Swede.

[00:17:29.449]>>Talking about a man who works awfully hard, Justin Rose, rewarded for that work. In you go. Torrey Pines wins by 7 for his 13th PGA TOUR victory.

[00:17:40.199]>>Front fringe for Morikawa at the 17th.

[00:17:43.290]>>I haven't seen many go in from here.

[00:17:46.459]>>But a lot of the field putting from the neighborhood of Morikawa.

[00:17:52.329]>>There we go, that's a bonus. Morikawa. Couple of birdies late here.

[00:18:04.060]>>Matsuyama playing alongside Scheffler.

[00:18:08.650]>>Two hands on it, he must love it. Oh, that's why.

[00:18:13.739]>>Beauty here.

[00:18:16.550]>>Up ahead at 15. Bottom of the hill for Schauffele. Can he control the spin here?

[00:18:23.810]>>Using that flight.

[00:18:26.650]>>Oh, easy. That's an excellent effort. After watching Spieth, he would've got a bit of feedback from that.

[00:18:34.599]>>Well let's watch this action. 7 iron that you want in your head for every swing. Oh, he listens. See, he's a nice guy. The ball listens when you're a nice guy.

[00:18:50.449]>>And it's a, well, it's a held 8 iron or a battered 9 iron on the wind, probably the former, I would think.

[00:18:59.660]>>It's.

[00:19:01.739]>>The flare out front foot, the spine angle through impact.

[00:19:06.479]>>That's it.

[00:19:09.069]>>Over to Spyglass.

[00:19:11.459]>>Straka's 2nd to the 16. Yeah, just turn it in there to that back left hole location.

[00:19:24.219]>>Marco Pen in the final group today.

[00:19:27.099]>>There it is.

[00:19:32.719]>>That's great. Thank you for Pen lightening the moment here.

[00:19:38.069]>>Over to 9 Burns. He's 2nd.

[00:19:43.270]>>An ideal angle, all below his feet, no problems. Straight at it.

[00:19:49.609]>>He's looking good, he's looking quite nice this week, Burns. Fleetwood hopefully his final shot.

[00:19:57.660]>>Yeah, brilliant, well done.

[00:20:00.000]>>Just 1 bogey that came in the the most difficult hole on the golf course, the 9th.

[00:20:05.410]>>Now Lowry over at Spyglass.

[00:20:08.300]>>Can Lowry finish with it?

[00:20:10.819]>>Good one to this back left hole location.

[00:20:13.849]>>Yes he can. Oh, he's seeing a lot of players pepper this flag late in the afternoon.

[00:20:19.819]>>It'll be interesting to see if he's influenced by what Xanders did. He's played here enough to know it doesn't break a lot. Good read, perfect park, what a 4, what a finish. Signs are good, yes. Signs of life.

[00:20:35.920]>>Jordan Spieth, 66, 68, 10 under.

[00:20:39.989]>>He's given himself chance after chance.

[00:20:45.290]>>Yeah, good catch. And yes, a nice round today of 64.

[00:20:55.949]>>9 under with 2 doubles and 2 bogeys. Put a really good round together. We'll begin the day 6 back. This for the birdie. And just with pace, has to maintain the pace.

[00:21:09.060]>>Yep, very good.

[00:21:11.060]>>We've seen what he can do in Europe on the DP World Tour.

[00:21:15.920]>>Marco Penge finishes with a 4 under 68 on Pebble Beach, and it's Rio Hitsatsune and Akshay Bhatia sharing the 36 hole lead by 1. Round 3 is up next.

[00:21:33.569]>>A world class field jostle for position here on moving day at Pebble Beach Golf Links, trying to master the smaller screens on the circuit for a shot at one of the PGA Tour's biggest prizes. And that'll all take place come Sunday afternoon, we'll crown our victor, and he'll join the rich history here, over 80 years of it at the AT&T Pebble Beach pro-am. Just look at those scenes.

[00:21:57.959]>>Someone will march to victory up the last, but 36 holes to run. To take you through that story, James Nitties, Craig Perks alongside me on the course, David Howell and Amelia Duran. And Craig, so far it's been a birdie blitz for the players through the first couple of days. How's it gonna look going into the weekend? Well, uh, you're right, scoring Barrage in one of the cathedrals of the game like we've never seen before.

[00:22:20.030]>>68.67 Nick. That's the scoring average for 36 holes at Pebble Beach, the lowest since they started keeping records. You know, it's under 7000, you talked about the small tiny greens. The golf course is soft. We've had ideal conditions. This is a leaner, stronger field. That's the confluence that has brought together the low scores here at Pebble Beach.

[00:22:44.380]>>Now Lowry, this would be for 3 birdies in a row.

[00:22:49.089]>>Well, he's on his way into 11 under, 4 back.

[00:22:54.119]>>Just don't wanna keep the mistake here. Trackman Tracing in partnership with Rolex, right down the banner, it doesn't let us down.

[00:23:03.489]>>Beautiful.

[00:23:05.209]>>101 yards for McIlroy.

[00:23:08.219]>>To this back pin, and that motion, I think he might just have done that.

[00:23:15.020]>>Oh yes, sneaky little club twirl there.

[00:23:21.790]>>Noren at the 8th to get to double digits and Julie made.

[00:23:26.890]>>Yes

[00:23:28.660]>>Back to the 1st, Jay Knapp, just in the 1st cut, preferably actually, this might help control the spin just that little bit more. Oh, maybe even better than that.

[00:23:41.229]>>Well, you talked about a fast start, you can't get any quicker than that one. In for the 2.

[00:23:47.709]>>Bob MacIntyre, no cut here, everyone participating. Beautiful tee shot to get to this position from MacIntyre. Oh, he pays it off, yes, great birdie.

[00:24:02.170]>>Burns, found a fair way off the tee.

[00:24:06.359]>>Awkward angle just sobbing, oh wow, OK, perfect angle.

[00:24:13.810]>>That's back-to-back groups. Yeah, dunked it for a 2 on the 1st. Jake now, Sam Burns. The strength of his putting but I guess just take it in there. Got to collect himself, David, Rory trying to bounce back. Yes, he has, danger down the right side again here, 209 yards, 6 iron. He normally bounces back well.

[00:24:37.619]>>Oh beautiful shot to this back section.

[00:24:43.640]>>Matsuyama for his 3.

[00:24:47.189]>>He follows Spieth in, he can.

[00:24:49.959]>>Curls that one in the right side.

[00:24:53.709]>>140 yards for Bhatia, 9 iron. Starting this left of the flag, this should work back towards it. Much better life for the left-hander, all above his feet, being able to use the left side of the green and what a start after both Fowler and Hitsatsune missing to the right. Shane, he's had a magic moment here before, 7th tier Pebble. This is his strength. Love watching him hit.

[00:25:22.199]>>Beautiful flighted wedge shots, oh, not, can he do it again.

[00:25:30.270]>>Straight up the hill, want to make sure you have enough pace. There shouldn't be a ton of movement, if anything, a little left.

[00:25:46.920]>>Yeah, very good start, birdie birdie. This 436 hole lead or co-series.

[00:25:53.959]>>Over to 9 and Ryan Fox with the approach.

[00:25:58.439]>>Breeze at at his strongest along these coastal holes here. 89, 10, but doesn't affect the shot of Fox, right down the banner. He's just picked up where he from where he was yesterday.

[00:26:11.030]>>Tough to to get it there and keep it high enough.

[00:26:16.520]>>Oh yes.

[00:26:20.130]>>That a boy Ricky.

[00:26:22.310]>>Finding a way, might not be pretty.

[00:26:25.599]>>But he's to 15 under par, and under par for the day through 3 holes.

[00:26:31.270]>>Spieth at the 7th.

[00:26:37.339]>>The only thing that makes this shot awkward is that shoulder on the left side, ball skipping forward from there.

[00:26:45.069]>>This one got a ton of spin for speed.

[00:26:50.989]>>Well, it's what we would call a proper shot to the par 56 for Fitzpatrick and a chance for an eagle 3. Yeah, this would, uh, get him to 14 under par and 4 under on his round today.

[00:27:05.140]>>Middle of last year, he said his game was rubbish, changed instructors.

[00:27:14.489]>>For Bhatia's 4th birdie in 5 holes, this has a lot of movement to the right.

[00:27:23.489]>>Unbelievable. What a start from Bhatia. And a move to 19 under par, 4 under through 5, the tournament record through 54 holes to this 0.18 under, he's already passed it.

[00:27:38.369]>>An easy spot from there, now I'm being wooed over it.

[00:27:41.550]>>The 7th.

[00:27:46.410]>>Well David Howell has made his way from slightly floundering McIlroy to this group. And he played it in exactly the right way, and they're just trying to suck it back towards that flag. Take the front edge out of play.

[00:28:01.670]>>Just having to cover over on that is that right side, not a lot of green to work with, there's a bit of a backstop in between lob wedge and sand wedge, the lob wedge.

[00:28:12.560]>>That was the play. OK, you know what I like is Ian asking questions.

[00:28:20.880]>>And this is Bhatia's 3rd at the par 5, come up and over the bunker, try and spin it.

[00:28:28.109]>>Yeah.

[00:28:29.680]>>That sets Bhatia up for birdie on the par 5 6th to get to 20 under par.

[00:28:35.180]>>Now ahead to 7, Bhatia with a chance at a 6th birdie in his 1st 7 holes.

[00:28:43.589]>>Dead center, off the tee and this is impressive, 6.

[00:28:48.910]>>Birdies in 7 holes.

[00:28:53.079]>>Rory, play a little hook spinner here. I wanna be right of it and spinning it in, oh, just like this.

[00:29:01.640]>>Brilliant.

[00:29:05.800]>>Just 59 yards.

[00:29:08.310]>>Very difficult to get this close, being on the right side of the fairway. Itsatsune taking on that bunker a little more, just kicks off that downslope, it's it's really impossible to hit it any closer from that side. Up to 18, awkward stance for Morikawa. Better than he thought though, being able to take advantage.

[00:29:28.339]>>That is delightful. That'll be to get to 17 under, the closest chaser of Batia.

[00:29:38.040]>>It's a round of 62 for Morikawa and tying the low round of the week.

[00:29:44.930]>>Matsuyama with that swooper that we see on 16, right to left all the way, chance to get to 15 under and that's the that tie for 3rd.

[00:29:58.180]>>Striker straight up hill for birdie here at 15.

[00:30:02.829]>>Oh, beautiful line.

[00:30:07.390]>>Nifty little shot to give him an eagle chance to close. Yeah, chance to shoot 66 and get within 3. yeah, 2 at the 1st, 3 at the last, thank you very much. Book ended with brilliance. Yes, 66.

[00:30:27.239]>>No man's land, you'd have to say. Only one way to stop this, as we hit the pin.

[00:30:33.209]>>Oh my goodness.

[00:30:36.290]>>Oh hold on at the 1st from the foul for the 2 and that's a remarkable 4 there for Sam Burns.

[00:30:44.479]>>All eyes are on Akshay Bhatia with the 54 hole lead at 19 under par. The final round is next.

[00:30:57.410]>>We are here and we are playing for history and we're playing for the players that came before us.

[00:31:03.229]>>I've worked since I was 2 or 3 years old to have a chance to play professional golf for a living. The, the guys that win the most, they're in contention so much, they're up there all the time. That's where I want to be.

[00:31:32.050]>>And this storied course braces against Mother Nature for a final act. It is Akshay Bhatia, fearless, fluid, and chasing a signature Sunday on one of golf's most iconic stages that has the chance to bring that vast potential into realization. But he won't just have to battle the elements, the wind, it is coming.

[00:31:51.530]>>As there is real pedigree in pursuit, major winners, proven closers are all waiting in the wings, should he blink. All the ingredients for an epic final round on the Monterey Peninsula, tranquil white now, but for how long? Alongside me to take you through the story, James Nitties, Craig Perks, and on the course, David Howell and Amelia Duran. Craig, conditions are gonna change, what should we expect? Well, I think they're gonna get the full pebble beach.

[00:32:19.655]>>Experience, you know, I think uh it's gonna control your emotions, controlling trajectory, it's gonna be more of a mental examination than it is a physical one. Gonna be a great stage, also a great cast as well, James, what can we look forward to from this leaderboard? Well, I was impressed with Bhatia, especially off the tee, under pressure yesterday, but look who's coming, Scottie Scheffler, 4 under through 5, and he's got an eagle putt to get within, 2 on the 6th, so look out everyone. The man is on the leaderboard.

[00:32:49.719]>>There he is, Scottie lurking.

[00:32:53.579]>>Onto the first page, 17 top 10s in a row. McIlroy defending this week, it's been a bit stop start so far, bit better today though. Yeah, he'd made a mistake here, taken a last uh yesterday, excuse me, but uh nice birdie there today.

[00:33:11.290]>>And as for the world number 1, taking a while to get the wheels moving, but they are, and in a hurry today. Begin the day 8 shots back. Largest deficit he's overcome was at THE PLAYERS Championship 2 years ago, 5 back, but he has a presence on the leaderboard, no question.

[00:33:33.459]>>Could be a poster for Scottie and it's a chance for an eagle at the 6th. It would be his 2nd of the round. Oh my, what a start for Scheffler. And just like that from out of it to in the thick of it, 17 under par, 2nd place, 1 man in front.

[00:33:50.760]>>Scottie about to come to the end of the great opportunities, it's here at the short seventh. Only 109 yards today. Slight wind in off the right.

[00:34:00.630]>>Back right hole location, oh look at this. Oh, just a bit of that. Know there off the back edge, that's another opportunity for Scheffler, he's coming.

[00:34:14.810]>>Burns here to the 3rd.

[00:34:18.148]>>He had some spectacular shots yesterday from these sort of yardages.

[00:34:29.158]>>Beautiful.

[00:34:30.668]>>How about that from Scottie Scheffler? 7 under through 7 holes.

[00:34:37.310]>>Bit of an early turn and then it straightens. Slow putt.

[00:34:42.908]>>Important.

[00:34:44.360]>>Yeah, nicely done.

[00:34:46.449]>>Nice bounce back.

[00:34:48.969]>>Now, not the miss for Bridgeman.

[00:34:52.918]>>The best part of his game.

[00:34:56.070]>>Oh, OK, I think he heard me. Good way to make a birdie for short-sighted here, that's 2 in a row.

[00:35:05.580]>>Burns at the 4th, that's rather cheap actually.

[00:35:10.110]>>They're all about policemen here, and the 4th, just 335 yards to a front flag and dialed in beautifully there.

[00:35:19.090]>>Matt Fitzpatrick

[00:35:21.350]>>A US Open champion, and here on a US Open venue.

[00:35:26.030]>>How about stopping it on a dime for Fitzpatrick.

[00:35:31.189]>>Burns for the birdie, it's just 5 ft down the hill and.

[00:35:36.330]>>That's a lovely start.

[00:35:39.350]>>Yeah, Jake Knapp, 2nd at the 4th up the hill.

[00:35:44.290]>>Decide to lay it back, actually led the field in distance and second in putting, which is a wonderful combination and the wedge game, always sharp.

[00:35:53.979]>>Can he show off, this is 3rd at the par 5, the 6th. Fly it all the way there and try and spin it. Oh dear.

[00:36:01.770]>>He leaves us speechless on many occasions.

[00:36:06.719]>>Over to number 6, Min Woo Lee to get to 17 under. Min Woo Lee for birdie, and it goes. One of those players at the end of yesterday didn't want to put out on 18, Ball was oscillating, trying to move.

[00:36:20.090]>>Burns at the 6th, trying to up-and-down for the birdie 4k, driving on load from about 60 yards and.

[00:36:26.370]>>Pretty fancy there.

[00:36:28.840]>>Chance to get 4 under 36 and within 1.

[00:36:34.199]>>9th hole, birdie putt for Fitzpatrick. Very quick, big breaker from right to left.

[00:36:41.389]>>Just wanna creep it in the right door. Yes he did. OK, how about that putt from above the hole at 9, haven't seen many of those go in.

[00:36:50.570]>>Yeah

[00:36:52.169]>>Opportunity for Scheffler to steal one on the toughest stretch of the golf course. It's important to make. Yes it is, and now he turns to home with the wind at his back, and a full sail.

[00:37:07.129]>>And importantly through that tricky stretch of 89, 10, and it's only getting harder as these conditions worsen.

[00:37:13.810]>>Stay in your lane

[00:37:15.639]>>Burns.

[00:37:17.370]>>Start that he wanted. Remember he eagled the 1st yesterday and then, the next birdie he made wasn't until 14, but there's 4 birdies in his 1st 6 holes.

[00:37:30.110]>>Now Hoge.

[00:37:31.590]>>This is a big miss over the back of the 9th.

[00:37:35.909]>>But taking advantage, OK. Hoge 2 back has birdied 8 and 9, incredible performance.

[00:37:45.520]>>Burns

[00:37:47.429]>>It's Starting to

[00:37:49.189]>>Pick up fire with this club.

[00:37:52.070]>>Picking right back up where he left off from last year with that club.

[00:38:05.840]>>Well, you got a break there, a little left of where he would have liked it, but.

[00:38:10.409]>>Little bumper bowling off that shoulder, now in another perfect position, straight up hill, right to left, right around 10 ft.

[00:38:19.250]>>Up at the green, Jacob Bridgeman has a chance to go out in front for another birdie.

[00:38:25.389]>>4 and 6 holes and in complete control.

[00:38:31.889]>>Scheffler for birdie. This is the 6th approach shot in 11 holes where Scheffler's been inside of 15 ft and he just keeps making birdies like that. What a beautiful roll. 1 behind and comfortably ahead of our final group. You can set the tone for them to try and follow.

[00:38:51.040]>>Well, the strength of his game, Morikawa.

[00:38:54.379]>>Right here, gripped down.

[00:38:57.929]>>Take a lot of speed off it.

[00:39:03.139]>>Very nice.

[00:39:06.020]>>Exactly where he was looking.

[00:39:10.050]>>Same putt as Matsuyama, he missed it low. Nah, not this one, perfect stroke.

[00:39:17.709]>>This pump is the passion.

[00:39:21.100]>>Rory McIlroy at 17 after missing the green long with his tee shot. Oh, this would be a pop. Oh, OK. Gets one to go.

[00:39:30.110]>>All-round good putt there from Rory after probably one of the biggest misses here at 17 all week long.

[00:39:36.340]>>This feels like a really important one for Scheffler on the back of the bogey he made on the previous hole. Similar putt he just missed on the previous hole. Not this time for a huge save. You just felt back-to-back bogeys might put pay to his opportunity with so many players out there.

[00:39:57.729]>> Nico Echavarria, couple of wins for him on tour.

[00:40:02.709]>>16 downwind today, the 2nd shot.

[00:40:08.409]>>Oh, no problems. Echavarria, how about a 2 at 11? And that's how quick it can change 16 and under, quite a lot of players in front of you, all of a sudden pops one in, he's right there, 1 off the pace.

[00:40:22.989]>>For a closing 4.

[00:40:25.860]>>And a week of what could have been.

[00:40:28.959]>>Yes, uh, nice 64 to close. This was McGreevy a few moments ago.

[00:40:36.909]>>That's 14, playing with Scheffler. Oh, showing off to Scottie.

[00:40:42.629]>>Believe they used to live together when they first turned pro. They sure did, yeah, shared a house with her.

[00:40:48.409]>>Now Scheffler, an opportunity. Just outside left on the read. Expect them to make it.

[00:40:55.840]>>And the world number 1, who stumbled day one when he shot that even past 72, and now in a tie for the lead.

[00:41:07.709]>>Min Woo Lee, 13th hole.

[00:41:12.300]>>Back right hole location.

[00:41:15.429]>>Just a wedge in.

[00:41:17.469]>>Oh, he forces it all the way back there. That is divine from the Australian.

[00:41:23.459]>>Now Bridgemen.

[00:41:30.739]>>He's got the lead now, first man.

[00:41:33.810]>>Well, 2nd man we'll call it after Bhatia yesterday to 20 under par.

[00:41:39.199]>>Into the 13th, the 3rd for Echevaria.

[00:41:44.439]>>Oh beautiful recovery.

[00:41:49.100]>>Malnati at 13 for Birdie.

[00:41:53.060]>>2 off the lead now of Jacob Bridgeman at 20 under. We'll be right back with the conclusion of the final round.

[00:42:09.139]>>Burns now at 13.

[00:42:14.689]>>It's his 2nd.

[00:42:16.360]>>131 m. This is green light here.

[00:42:23.550]>>Very good.

[00:42:25.830]>>Going way back there to the fringe. He is dialed right now with his yardages. Expect this to be a little better.

[00:42:34.590]>>Insider would be good.

[00:42:39.209]>>No, it's

[00:42:40.830]>>Well he said he caught it heavy. We'll take that.

[00:42:45.120]>>Need a good read here.

[00:42:50.639]>>Gets it to go.

[00:42:52.479]>>Side door.

[00:43:01.020]>>So apart from Morikawa, dead center.

[00:43:04.780]>>We have another one tied at the top now, Burns and Morikawa.

[00:43:14.699]>>That's your arm up.

[00:43:16.639]>>Look out for him.

[00:43:18.699]>>Oh, could he have done it?

[00:43:22.750]>>That's the armor just creeping around on this leaderboard.

[00:43:27.800]>>You sort of want to see this glorious madness, you know, with the, the winds gusting off the Pacific and.

[00:43:35.219]>>Look at what I found. 2 at 17 for Matt Fitzpatrick.

[00:43:40.929]>>Center of the green, little cut, let the wind move it back. One you expect to hole high and give them an eagle chance.

[00:43:50.100]>>That's a 6 iron for Scheffler.

[00:43:52.739]>>Exactly what you expected, that is glorious.

[00:44:04.050]>>They have that opening even par round of 72, we're not even sure he's gonna finish in the top 20, and here he is with a chance to win.

[00:44:11.770]>>Everyone yesterday missing that shot to the right, and he knocks it to 2 ft.

[00:44:15.760]>>Good up-and-down for Jacob Bridgeman, gets him to tie for the lead.

[00:44:26.550]>>It's around a 63 for the world number 1.

[00:44:29.979]>>And he sets the target in the clubhouse. Burns, Bridgeman, Morikawa keeping in company.

[00:44:40.340]>>Oh, by the way, look what's going on here with Morikawa.

[00:44:43.969]>>30 ft, not what he wanted, but it's a fairly straight putt.

[00:44:50.840]>>Blackjack.

[00:44:52.949]>>T21 it is for Morikawa.

[00:44:58.899]>>birdie chance from him will later get within one of Morikawa.

[00:45:03.469]>>And one of the better opportunities we've seen on 17 today, especially late.

[00:45:08.750]>>Oh, he's got it. The Australian. He gets within one.

[00:45:18.580]>>Very good.

[00:45:26.760]>>Great touch there from.

[00:45:29.939]>>And what a way to finish with an eagle, 67, little.

[00:45:37.060]>>Too late, but uh marvelous week.

[00:45:42.149]>>Fleetwood needs to finish fast. Not easy to get one to go. Just follow Min Woo Lee into the hole here, this one looks great. Oh, on cue.

[00:45:53.080]>>Just a beauty.

[00:45:55.659]>>179 yards downhill 9. Wind puffing in now. You want him to hit at the middle of the green from this far back. Oh my goodness, what a golf shot.

[00:46:12.159]>>That is exquisite, from 180 yards downhill. I mean the flagstick over there on the right is comfortable, but it flied all the way back there, it was magnificent. Fleetwood, a chance for birdie at the 17th.

[00:46:26.649]>>And duly made, he climbs to 19 under par.

[00:46:31.159]>>Put for the birdie. Well, this is the one, it's speedy.

[00:46:36.550]>>Gotta be from the right hand side.

[00:46:39.139]>>Perfection. How about those last two? They can't up hold them to victory.

[00:46:44.830]>>Can rely on the, the striking, the the putter.

[00:46:49.860]>>28 ft for an eagle 3.

[00:46:54.239]>>Oh.

[00:46:57.270]>>Yeah, it's just so difficult with that wind whipping.

[00:47:02.070]>>It should be a 4, maybe a chippy 4. That would be the classy shot.

[00:47:07.909]>>Oh this looks like a double cross.

[00:47:15.919]>>This takes Scheffler out of it. It's the post 21 under par. Yeah, well done, sort of redemption from the green, what happened on the green yesterday, wonderful round of golf.

[00:47:27.090]>>This is not difficult though. If he doesn't get this within 8 ft, I'd be amazed.

[00:47:33.969]>>Like you've got a lot of grass in between the face and the ball.

[00:47:40.149]>> Morikawa looking on rather jealously at the birdie put off. Straka.

[00:47:47.820]>>Oh, well done Sepp Straka.

[00:47:52.419]>>Yeah.

[00:47:59.689]>>Tough to be aggressive from above the hole.

[00:48:03.060]>>And McIlroy got it up from that position where he'd hit it over near the penalty area. Unfortunately, that is not what we expected.

[00:48:15.469]>>Now, Fleetwood

[00:48:17.250]>>To get to 20.

[00:48:19.379]>>Yeah Tommy, yeah, sit around the 66 today.

[00:48:23.860]>>And enough uh cash in the pocket, go back to the pro shop and buy a few more pebble beach.

[00:48:32.149]>>Well, it's quite simple for Morikawa. It's a birdie 4 to win.

[00:48:38.179]>>We have a 3 or 5 wood.

[00:48:42.409]>>A little surprising, he's going to pressure the second shot, surprising in others. Though he's such an accurate driver of the golf ball, play to your strengths.

[00:48:52.719]>>Chuck, very good.

[00:48:54.810]>>Good result.

[00:49:01.929]>>OK.

[00:49:03.560]>>The wait is over 20 minutes after the tee shot, Morikawa gets his opportunity to approach the last here at Pebble Beach.

[00:49:11.909]>>With his longest iron club, and he's gonna have to send this left of the flag. He's gonna have to be brave. This wind will push the ball to the right.

[00:49:23.260]>>If he wants to find the green, he has hit one of the greatest long iron shots of his career so far, aiming left, taking this on.

[00:49:34.979]>>Need commitment, poor shot on the previous hole.

[00:49:40.330]>>Start line was good.

[00:49:44.000]>>Oh, brilliant shot under the circumstances, under the weight of what should Jacob Bridgeman finish championship worthy right there. You said it. After the shot he hit at 17, and then a 20 minute wait over that shot.

[00:50:01.459]>>Very impressive.

[00:50:04.379]>>For Straka from just less than 200 yards.

[00:50:07.860]>>He'll take this on and

[00:50:09.979]>>You never know what a 3 might bring you.

[00:50:16.810]>>Oh, you knocked that one in.

[00:50:19.010]>>You're 50 in your last 5 holes and you get to 21 under.

[00:50:25.239]>>And quite the break that Morikawa can get putter on it even though it's in the rough.

[00:50:30.500]>>He's got to get it close with the wind whipping up there and the ball oscillating.

[00:50:37.850]>>Tough to get this right with the putter out of the rough.

[00:50:42.969]>>And he's done marvelously well.

[00:50:47.550]>>Such an advantage like David said, having that down incline right at the 1st 4 ft of the putt.

[00:50:54.520]>>Did everything he had to and the realization was set in for Min Woo Lee. He's gonna come up one shy.

[00:51:03.090]>>Wind will influence this one. It just won't allow it to break.

[00:51:10.179]>>Disappointing event today for our overnight leader and still a great, great week, a lot to build from.

[00:51:18.500]>>Yeah, through 6 holes on the 3rd round, he was at 21 under par. First player to get to that mark.

[00:51:28.320]>>Striker.

[00:51:29.979]>>What a shot to the last.

[00:51:32.709]>>Played the last 5 holes, 5 under.

[00:51:36.250]>>Fantastic, brilliant.

[00:51:43.399]>>They're quitting that man.

[00:51:47.239]>>Come on.

[00:51:55.330]>>It's your moment, Colin.

[00:52:04.899]>>And the prayers are answered for one of golf's major players in this cathedral of the game. It's a return to glory for Colin Morikawa.

[00:52:14.300]>>And for all he's achieved, Craig, in the game, perhaps one of the most meaningful wins. Yeah, to see the exhale, to see, I finally, it's been a long drought. Colin Morikawa claims his first PGA TOUR victory in 848 days, edging out international stars Sepp Straka, Min Woo Lee, Tommy Fleetwood, and a hard charging Scottie Scheffler to claim his 7th victory on the PGA TOUR.

[00:52:40.979]>>This concludes the PGA Tour's coverage of the AT&T Pebble Beach pro-am.