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[00:00:25.950]>>The PGA TOUR proudly presents.

[00:00:30.420]>>The FedEx Cup fall.

[00:00:33.300]>>Now coverage of the 2026 Biltmore Championship Asheville.

[00:00:42.630]>>For the first time in over 8 decades, the PGA Tour weaves its way to Western North Carolina, 20 minutes south of downtown Asheville. The Cliffs at Walnut Cove welcomes 132 players to begin the eight event FedExCup Fall 3.

[00:01:04.100]>>High stress months of players jockeying for their livelihood all commences this week on a hot and humid late summer weekend in a valley of the Blue Ridge Mountains. So great to have you along with us, Myan Patel alongside Billy Kratzert, Suzy Whaley, Gary Christian, and our entire outstanding team.

[00:01:25.570]>>With you for the inaugural edition of the Biltmore Championship, Asheville, a city which does have some history with the PGA Tour, but you've got to go back to 1942 to find the last time that we were in town. And now a brand new event debuting to kick off the FedExCup Fall.

[00:01:48.350]>>Getting you caught up on the action from earlier today. Mackenzie Hughes, the Canadian for Eagle at the 17th. Yeah, Mackenzie looking for a big week, actually a big fall is what Mackenzie needs. That's a nice way to start it off. Taking advantage.

[00:02:03.360]>>Of the par 5s as you must do here at the Cliffs at Walnut Cove. Ben Kohles with a birdie at the 9th. Yeah, he's had a couple of opportunities this year, uh, and you look

back at the John Deere Classic where he had just an awesome opportunity trying to get the deal closed.

[00:02:21.840]>>Max Greyserman's had some opportunities throughout his career. Now a 4th season out of the PGA Tour, and boy he was feeling it today. 3 straight birdies to close the front nine, rolling it beautifully at the 14th in what was a really strong opening day season. I mean, jumped 52 spots. I know we know he had to hold that place obviously for 3 more days to get there, but that's a great day.

[00:02:45.220]>>The final of his 8 birdies in the opening round. They're at the par 5 17th.

[00:02:53.920]>>Let's take you to the 9th.

[00:02:55.530]>>Marcelo Rozo makes a birdie and a nice way to start our fall coverage in opening 60-70's inside the top 10.

[00:03:03.750]>>At the 17th, Eric Cole, no shocker to see him. Yeah, played in the playoffs, obviously already secured his space for next year in the signature events being in that top 50, but he's looking to get another win on the card.

[00:03:17.340]>>Just over the back of the 16th, 3rd shot for Fabian Gomez. Yeah, just trickling down and there you go, trickling in. Look at the scorecard. A lot of arithmetic that all adds up to 1 under for the 47 year old from Argentina.

[00:03:38.360]>>Ben

[00:03:40.240]>>3rd shot at 15. Haotong Li? Yeah, it looks like a decent line. We can see the golf ball there, so we should be able to run this right down there nice and close.

[00:03:49.800]>>

[00:03:52.850]>>In with authority. Haotong Li.

[00:03:57.030]>>No, pardon.

[00:03:58.280]>>To 17, a great second shot for Harry Higgs. Now to capitalize.

[00:04:04.410]>>Looking for this to fall to his right.

[00:04:08.170]>>Ah, that way.

[00:04:11.260]>>Oh, how about those 3 holes, Susy? That's nice. Little birdie birdie eagle.

[00:04:18.680]>>There

[00:04:20.320]>>To the 12th, this is Jacob Bridgeman playing his 2nd.

[00:04:25.400]>>That was saucy, bringing it in lower to take that slope out of play, beautifully done.

[00:04:34.240]>>He would birdie to get to 5 under par.

[00:04:40.140]>>Does Harry Higgs have another Billy? I think he does. Yeah, I think this is just gonna fall just ever so slightly right there. There you go, big rig coming in. Birdie, birdie, eagle, birdie. That's just such a great finish. Good for him.

[00:04:59.670]>>Like 122 for Jacob. Just hit that real flat 3 wood off the tee and just scamper down there and get 20 yards closer.

[00:05:14.450]>>Wow, a big gust too came up right as he was hitting. Beautifully done.

[00:05:22.510]>>Bridgeman moves to 6 under.

[00:05:27.320]>>Just shy of the green. 3rd shot, Seamus Power.

[00:05:32.490]>>Oh.

[00:05:35.850]>>Right on

[00:05:39.890]>>Yeah

[00:05:41.160]>>Almost an eagle.

[00:05:43.280]>>At the par 5, he will tap in for Birdie. Watch this.

[00:05:49.840]>>How?

[00:06:02.210]>>Because it's golf.

[00:06:06.330]>>Suber

[00:06:08.120]>>You know, trying to get it to -6.

[00:06:12.500]>>Oh, he's done it.

[00:06:15.010]>>I look for a massive year for Jackson Suber in 2027.

[00:06:23.020]>>At 11, I mean I left. What a tricky lie there. Easy to leave that short. Well done. Beautiful golf shot. My goodness, just catches the edge.

[00:06:36.950]>>To Suber at the 15th.

[00:06:41.470]>>That's a beautiful shot there. He birdies to tie for the lead at 7 under.

[00:06:48.820]>>So.

[00:06:53.880]>>Cameron Champ.

[00:06:56.680]>>Three-time winner at 11.

[00:07:01.830]>>Hello.

[00:07:04.130]>>Yeah, that looked really good in the air. Beautifully done as close as we've seen.

[00:07:09.560]>>Champ birdies to get to 2 under.

[00:07:13.470]>>Now to the Irishman Seamus Power at the par 5 17th.

[00:07:20.330]>>Seamus Power

[00:07:24.390]>>All right, well done.

[00:07:26.630]>>Yeah

[00:07:27.620]>>Don't want that much stress when you're putting for eagle and have a long one for birdie back, but it gets it done.

[00:07:35.410]>>At the 8th, Eric Cole for the outright lead.

[00:07:38.410]>>And he's had a really good day on the greens and it certainly continues and

[00:07:45.550]>>That is taking care of business right there.

[00:07:52.820]>>Jackson Suber.

[00:07:55.120]>>Mm. Yeah, he pushed that. That was a push.

[00:07:59.500]>>Three putt par

[00:08:03.430]>>would have gotten him to 8 under.

[00:08:06.440]>>And he'll remain.

[00:08:08.460]>>One of the three co-leaders, as Eric Cole makes his first bogey of the day, his 64 is official. He is in at 7 under.

[00:08:17.990]>>Yeah, unfortunate way to finish, but great round of golf for Eric.

[00:08:22.970]>>What

[00:08:24.260]>>For a boogey-free 64, Jackson Suber.

[00:08:33.260]>>So like Eric Cole, Jackson Suber makes his first bogey of the day at his final hole of the day.

[00:08:42.480]>>Flip wedge from the fairway. That's that, yeah, that's that's the one that

[00:08:47.100]>>Stings

[00:08:51.240]>>With that, Suber falls to 6 under for an opening round 65.

[00:08:57.560]>>Greyselman and Cole sit atop the leaderboard at 7 under with Canada's Mackenzie Hughes one off the lead. Round 2 is up next.

[00:09:12.960]>>First Friday of the FedExCup Fall. It is round two of the Biltmore Championship Asheville as we welcome you back to the Cliffs at Walnut Cove where 132 men compete for a title this week. The headliner right now, the 25-year-old American Neal Shipley, who thanks to a second.

[00:09:33.350]>>In round surge has taken his name all the way to the top. Ryan, Mayan Patel, Billy Kratzert, Suzy Whaley and our great team with you. Shipley came into the week.

Billy well outside the top 100, and boy has he moved things in the right direction. Well, timing is everything, and all of a sudden the public for Neal Shipley has really warmed up.

[00:09:54.410]>>It was an outstanding opening nine. Suzy goes out in 29 and keeps it rolling with a season low round today. Yeah, absolutely season round low and just that putter, as you mentioned, was mostly the reason for that. Just unbelievable on the greens today and took care of the par 5s as well. Yeah, really good shot here. Had to be a little careful along the left. That was definitely a no no, but.

[00:10:18.360]>>5.5 ft behind the hole, he'd make that another birdie. Season low 62 for Neal Shipley. The 25-year-old American came into the week 189th on the FedExCup points list, eight events away from the top 100 having full status next season, and Shipley by 4.

[00:10:38.240]>>At the finishing 18th, 3rd shot for Hank Lebioda, 9th hole of the day.

[00:10:44.610]>>Yeah, you can see that number that Hank's sitting at. He needs a little bit more of that.

[00:10:50.440]>>That certainly helps, and a strong start to his second round, Lebioda leaps up to 3 under par, which is the current cut. Top 65 in ties will make the weekend.

[00:11:08.770]>>Coles at the 11th.

[00:11:12.030]>>What

[00:11:13.870]>>Exactly where he was looking. There's that straight shot, straight shot, straight at it. That was so good, so good. Cam Davis at 18. Yeah, you think this putt's gonna snap to the left at the end. Oh, there we have it.

[00:11:33.980]>>Of course, when you hit at that speed, they're all pretty straight.

[00:11:39.830]>>On the 17th now, Tyler Duncan.

[00:11:43.290]>>Oh, that's class act. Trains it. Left it in a really nice spot to be able to do that, but well executed too.

[00:11:55.000]>>Now Coles

[00:12:03.880]>>No, well then, you're not using that style putter. You might want to think about it.

[00:12:17.620]>>Actually a really good lie there for Billy. That is perfectly charged by Billy.

[00:12:23.910]>>Oh no.

[00:12:26.900]>>OK, Billy, you just stole one there.

[00:12:31.040]>>Yeah.

[00:12:35.010]>>Wow. Take another look at this. I mean,

[00:12:39.490]>>That's a perfect example of not trying to do any more than what is necessary. All I'm trying to do is just squeeze it down there 4 or 5 ft from the hole. You never know when luck is going to be on your side.

[00:12:59.760]>>Oh, he holds the finger up.

[00:13:05.520]>>Here's Taylor

[00:13:07.590]>>It's coming left at the end.

[00:13:09.710]>>That was really good spot.

[00:13:13.290]>>Two birdies out of that group.

[00:13:20.130]>>And now Coles. Yeah, we saw this pup move right at the end.

[00:13:24.600]>>Pretty strongly

[00:13:26.710]>>I gotta get this some paste, take some of that out of it.

[00:13:31.220]>>Ah, good for him. Well done.

[00:13:34.640]>>Into a sheriff's 2nd, Ben Kohles.

[00:13:37.830]>>OK

[00:13:42.230]>>Get a feeling that this is why he's our captain's pick. Just seems to make a lot of these under pressure, and here's a one right there, beautifully done. It's a big time birdie for Nick Taylor, gets things to 5 under par.

[00:13:56.410]>>OK, Danny.

[00:13:59.170]>>It's always a tough shot, ball below your feet.

[00:14:03.080]>>Little semi kind of rough.

[00:14:05.720]>>That's big too. Yeah, doing what it needs to. That'll get him to -2.

[00:14:12.760]>>At the 9th, Jeremy Paul for birdie.

[00:14:17.300]>>Yeah, this is big for him.

[00:14:20.490]>>Said it a bunch, but -3 is the target here. If you're not there yet, wow, that's fantastic.

[00:14:27.020]>>Gets 3 in the last 4 to finish the front 99 to play. Jeremy Paul has worked his way to the current cut.

[00:14:36.830]>>To 2, Stanger.

[00:14:39.570]>>He's one of the players that playing on the medical.

[00:14:44.420]>>Worked through some issues with the elbow and shoulder.

[00:14:50.490]>>Is that not the best we've seen in 2 days? Fabulous. No one had a chance.

[00:15:03.790]>>Eagle left here.

[00:15:08.540]>> Greyserman's got a dozen.

[00:15:12.210]>>Now that's really nicely done. I thought for a second that was not going to get there and fall right.

[00:15:21.190]>>Ben Kohles is next up in this group. How about 343 yards off the box, Susy found that speed slot for sure. Yeah, he had a great shot there.

[00:15:33.250]>>Anything hitting left of it though seems to really bound. If you could just leave this short right. George. Oh, he got it, got it to stop. That was nice.

[00:15:49.730]>>At 18, Nick Dunlap needs a par.

[00:15:56.250]>>Pretty smooth delivery there.

[00:15:58.820]>>Oh, I like it. So does he. Good for him.

[00:16:02.800]>>Forget a bar. How about a birdie to finish?

[00:16:07.440]>>from the right

[00:16:09.570]>>Kohles for Eagle.

[00:16:15.960]>>Oh yes, exactly. Eyes were tracking fabulous.

[00:16:23.150]>>Ben Kohles captures a 3. Jumps all the way to 13 under.

[00:16:31.090]>>Rafael Campos.

[00:16:33.200]>>Just off the back of the 14th green.

[00:16:36.250]>>Oh, he played a little bladed wedge.

[00:16:40.560]>>Actually, we've seen more and more of that this year. It's become

[00:16:45.450]>>It's kind of made the the comeback. Yeah, it's become new again.

[00:16:50.940]>>Must make Chandler Phillips for the weekend.

[00:16:57.500]>>Oh, you gotta get it there. You gotta get there. You gotta get there. Yeah, that away. Good for him. Just enough juice. You're not packing your bags.

[00:17:08.840]>>Birdie at the last and Chandler Phillips makes the cut here at the Biltmore Championship Asheville.

[00:17:19.110]>>Now Kohles for a 63 today.

[00:17:23.210]>>Walks it in. Absolutely walks it in. What a great round of golf. Ben Kohles is back at it again, 4 under in his last 4 holes today, and Ben Kohles just.

[00:17:37.080]>>One shot off the lead go into the weekend.

[00:17:43.410]>>This would take you to 17 and Taylor's 3rd. Very basic chip here. Quiet hands, clip it off the top.

[00:17:52.460]>>Good breathing room late for Nick Taylor. He's 6 under with 1 to play.

[00:17:56.740]>>Oh

[00:17:58.750]>>I don't think Blazes got all of this cause it's actually a fair way back, just inside 180 yards. So with an into right to left wind from that distance, you can't be short, you can't be long, but about 40 50 ft to land this in.

[00:18:17.280]>>The ball play. Yeah, what a way to finish. I think he laid it up perfect, Gary. I think so.

[00:18:29.130]>>It's gonna go birdie birdie. Birdie to make the cut.

[00:18:33.920]>>American Neal Shipley takes a one-shot lead into the weekend behind his second round 62. The third round is next.

[00:18:49.130]>>The final Saturday of the summer and a great mid-September afternoon as we welcome you back to the Cliffs at Walnut Cove, the inaugural edition of the Biltmore Championship Asheville, where we are off to the weekend beginning the FedExCup Fall. 76 players making the cut, all in hot pursuit of a coveted title.

[00:19:13.140]>>Get you caught up on the action from earlier today. Billy's had an up-and-down season, but he's finding it here in Asheville. On the long par 3 and swish.

[00:19:27.370]>>He has 2 holes left in his 3rd round, 9 under today for Haotong Li.

[00:19:34.030]>>Castillo at the 6th.

[00:19:37.430]>>Down the hill.

[00:19:39.750]>>Similar hole location in the opening round. It's a lot of players missed out on the low side.

[00:19:46.240]>>It was part of 4 birdies for the 1st 6 for Ricky Castillo, Neal Shipley for the 2nd straight day. Suzy can't a long one of 7. He made 22 putts in his round yesterday and he just starts all over again today. Also at the 7th, Lee finishing up on this side, split 2s and 3s, buries the birdie. That is his 9th birdie.

[00:20:05.770]>>Around he's going to a par 5 at 8. This is a par 71 golf course. Haotong Li perhaps with something special cooking, and Ben Kohles had an exceptional finish yesterday. Billy, to put himself in contention again. Indeed he did, you know, birdie in the last 4 holes. So obviously he and Shipley are the hot guys. Still anybody's ballgame here in Asheville. It is Shipley and Coles by 1 here in round 3.

[00:20:36.940]>>A lot left for Lee, Billy. Yeah, and oh, he covers up the mistake. Nice putt there by Lee.

[00:20:43.440]>>Moves it to -15.

[00:20:46.190]>>Castillo at the 10th pitching much for Ricky.

[00:20:55.370]>>Oh, that's so good. It's perfect. That transition from the back swing to the downswing, I mean, it was so smooth.

[00:21:05.740]>>14th big hitting Englishman Marco Penge for a 2. Yeah, I thought the results would be better for him this year coming over from the DP World Tour, but

[00:21:16.750]>>Finding a little form here this week.

[00:21:23.120]>>2.5 ft away from a 3-way tie for the lead.

[00:21:28.630]>>What a day for Ricky Castillo, 6 under through 10, and now one of the 3 co-leaders.

[00:21:39.880]>>This is a a time for Ben. I think this is a pretty comfortable club for him. Palmer, I don't think he's gonna take much off or add much.

[00:21:48.690]>>You take on this flag that is tee.

[00:21:52.850]>>I was trying

[00:21:54.970]>>Yeah, what a great golf shot.

[00:22:00.120]>>All right, I love what you have done. Just right on.

[00:22:04.170]>>Officially a 61, a competitive course record here, the Biltmore Championship, Asheville. Haotong Li with a spectacular Saturday.

[00:22:16.880]>>Kohles for birdie and the outright lead.

[00:22:25.000]>>Well done. Beautiful putt. Putting with full confidence this week for Ben Kohles. He's had a couple where a few feet out, he's taken that step forward and known the final result.

[00:22:39.410]>>At the 8th, Kevin Yu.

[00:22:42.580]>>Oh, nice little bounce back there. So you're now 9 under on the day.

[00:22:51.460]>>To 15, Penge his 3rd.

[00:22:54.550]>>Yeah, that's for Eagle. Beautiful shot in there.

[00:23:02.860]>>Hands in the putter almost exactly facing each other.

[00:23:07.530]>>Well done. It's a nice 4 hole stretch, 4 under in the last 4 for Marco Penge, who is now in solo 4th and just 2 behind Ben Kohles.

[00:23:19.000]>>What a backdrop, Gary, the valley of the Blue Ridge Mountains here in the American Southeast, where Neal Shipley tries to win for the first time, his wedge now.

[00:23:37.340]>>Oh

[00:23:39.330]>>Wow, that's beautifully played. Now coming from a little bit closer there, just from the 106 yards. He's able to put just a tad of spin on that.

[00:23:53.150]>>We jump ahead to Kohle's on the green now.

[00:23:56.510]>>Basically dead straight pub from here for Ben.

[00:23:59.280]>>It's one of these bets you're gonna need to make over the course of the weekend if you want to win this week.

[00:24:05.080]>>It's amazing, isn't it? Coming down the weekend, just little distractions get you, just don't feel comfortable and you back off and you've got to reset.

[00:24:17.480]>>And he's opened the door for a two-shot swing.

[00:24:20.950]>>Well, he just had it aimed right there, didn't he? It's just an overread.

[00:24:25.030]>>Will be the first bogey of the day for Ben Kohles, which means Neal Shipley can claim the outright lead once again.

[00:24:42.660]>>All right.

[00:24:45.820]>>Pack up the top, plug it away nicely.

[00:24:49.520]>>

[00:24:51.240]>>Here's Coles for a big birdie. Yeah, 27 ft.

[00:24:55.370]>>Coming down the hill, stretch, stretch, there you go.

[00:25:00.880]>>But that was a beautiful stroke, wasn't it?

[00:25:03.500]>>He's taking care of the par 3s today. Made 3 2s.

[00:25:10.480]>>Shipley to save.

[00:25:16.640]>>Got a really good look from.

[00:25:20.070]>>Behind here

[00:25:22.780]>>Oh, dead center.

[00:25:27.380]>>He saves another, yeah, just the benefit of being able to see Kohles putt like Gary was talking about.

[00:25:36.690]>>Jackson Suber is trying to make a charge. Yeah, see if he could.

[00:25:40.830]>>Put some elevation on this shot, drag it back a little bit. Come on, pull. There you go. Keep it going.

[00:25:49.950]>>Finish it off.

[00:25:52.890]>>I'll take him to -12. That was sporty.

[00:25:57.870]>>Shipley, it's a 5 iron for Neal.

[00:26:03.020]>>Throw it's way up in the air.

[00:26:06.390]>>Yeah.

[00:26:08.220]>>But

[00:26:09.500]>>Oh, that's quite the shot there. What a shot. How soft did that come down? Yeah, that was wonderful. Beautiful golf swing. You could tell he liked it. His eyes there the whole time.

[00:26:22.320]>>Jacob Bridgeman at 16 for birdie. Well, from this distance, he's the best.

[00:26:31.510]>>Hovering right there.

[00:26:35.700]>>OK.

[00:26:40.730]>>Yeah, so that's for Eagle.

[00:26:43.710]>>Right

[00:26:46.090]>>It's a tap in birdie for Ben Kohles at the par 5, 15th, almost an eagle 3.

[00:26:56.710]>>Now Shipley

[00:26:58.800]>>Putting for an eagle and a two-shot lead.

[00:27:05.100]>>Oh, so well done.

[00:27:07.530]>>Nice 3.

[00:27:09.830]>>Neal Shipley with an eagle at the 15th, and he swells his lead at the top, now 20 under par.

[00:27:25.060]>>Eric Cole converts, so Eric Cole's not out of it yet. He's had a brilliant back night, a bunch of circles. 17 Bridgemen for birdie. Yeah, beautiful putt.

[00:27:39.600]>>Nice last couple of holes for Jacob.

[00:27:47.620]>>Eric Cole, this could be a highlight of his.

[00:27:50.240]>>Yeah, I'm putting fabulous today.

[00:27:53.700]>>Now he just keeps that going.

[00:27:58.080]>>How about that back nine? Yeah, yeah, it's so good.

[00:28:02.470]>>Very simple shot here, great lie, pitch it about halfway and just let it release down like a pop.

[00:28:10.400]>>Yeah, you really couldn't have a much easier bunker shot than that, Susy. Yeah, so well done to you.

[00:28:18.330]>>So he takes care of the back 9 par 5s and Coles will get to 19 under. Shipley not in tight for Birdie.

[00:28:27.040]>>Could make things quite interesting going to the last and certainly going to tomorrow.

[00:28:36.330]>>Wow. I mean, how good is that, Gary? I mean, just no issues. Still gets his birdie.

[00:28:44.230]>>Sure

[00:28:46.600]>>Power, his 3rd green side. Yeah, you can see trying to figure out that little step cutter rough and he does.

[00:28:55.330]>>Big round for him too, headed in 106, you see there. Trying to get in that top 100 by the end of the fall season.

[00:29:06.380]>>Back to Kohles in the fairway playing his 2nd.

[00:29:10.220]>>So 132 wind just picked up right behind him.

[00:29:14.230]>>There is a little backstop about 10-15 feet past this hole.

[00:29:20.010]>>Yeah.

[00:29:23.780]>>Oh, it lipped out.

[00:29:26.710]>>What a golf shot. Clutch at the end.

[00:29:31.510]>>Ben Kohles is here to play. Castillo. 99 yards, this is a big long wedge.

[00:29:41.310]>>Hm, could be a similar result. Oh.

[00:29:49.410]>>Welcome to the show. 93 hole. Trevor left of it. We're coming outstanding.

[00:29:56.710]>>Ending approach shots for both Ricky Castillo and Ben Kohles. Once this grabs, I mean it is.

[00:30:06.070]>>I mean, it just looks so good in the air.

[00:30:10.090]>>And then the spin that Castillo was able to put on this.

[00:30:16.060]>>And then Ricky ripped it back.

[00:30:23.450]>>So a chance for Castillo to get to 17 under par and

[00:30:29.430]>>Uh, he needs something, uh, like that, that finish after not birdieing the 17th hole, missing that birdie putt, finish off like that, get it back to 17 under. You're gonna be in the penultimate group tomorrow, so.

[00:30:44.760]>>They're gonna be looking at you if you can get off to that quick start.

[00:30:48.680]>>Ben Kohles.

[00:30:54.410]>>Birdie is the last.

[00:30:57.080]>>20 under in hot pursuit of his first PGA TOUR victory.

[00:31:07.180]>>Neal Shipley maintains his one shot lead as he eyes his first career PGA Tour victory. The final round is next.

[00:31:18.510]>>We are here and we are playing for history and we're playing for the players that came before us.

[00:31:24.320]>>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.

[00:31:50.210]>>We have arrived at the 1st championship Sunday of the FedExCup Fall, putting a bow in the Biltmore Championship Asheville today, where a title hangs in the balance at the Cliffs at Walnut Cove off and running here in the final round.

[00:32:06.620]>>In Western North Carolina, where Neal Shipley, the 25-year-old American, came into the day with a one-shot lead. The first time he slept on the lead after 54 holes in his young PGA TOUR career, but all bets are off. It is still.

[00:32:23.320]>>Anyone's ball game here in the final round at the Biltmore Championship Asheville. Co-leaders Shipley has been caught. A hot start by Ricky Castillo, who began the final round, birdie birdie eagle and is now tied at 21 under par. Ricky Castillo, what a dream start for him today, Susie. Oh my gosh, 4 under through 4, exactly what he needed to do.

[00:32:50.920]>>The leaders think they're just going along nicely and just get caught right away.

[00:33:01.810]>>And Ricky Castillo has that to remain in a share of the lead here early in the final round.

[00:33:20.340]>>The PGA Tour proudly presents the FedExCup Fall.

[00:33:26.670]>>Today it's live final round coverage of the Biltmore Championship Asheville.

[00:33:35.940]>>In the valley of the Blue Ridge Mountains, the west side of North Carolina welcomes the PGA Tour's best and brightest for the inaugural edition of this Biltmore championship Asheville and the final Sunday of.

[00:33:51.670]>>The summer where it is a scoring setup in for another scorcher. All bets are off here in the final round of this first event in the FedExCup Fall as players vie for a title on the PGA Tour.

[00:34:10.460]>>And now Castillo with over 8 ft of cleanup work to not sully a spectacular start.

[00:34:17.880]>>Seems like that ball was not a great lie in that right hand bunker, so good to get it to this point.

[00:34:26.990]>>What a wonderful save.

[00:34:29.530]>>This young man came to play today. A winner earlier this season at the Puerto Rico Open, the 25-year-old American Ricky Castillo with his eyes on being the 6th multiple winner this year on the PGA Tour. Max Greyserman, the 31-year-old, was one of the 18 hole co-leaders. He is 4 shots back. 19-year-old Blades Brown over at the 13th.

[00:35:01.840]>>5th birdie of the day for Blades Brown, who will likely earn a ticket to the PGA TOUR in the next month off a strong season on the developmental Korn Ferry Tour circuit.

[00:35:15.610]>>And nothing was challenging for Haotong Li yesterday. Round of the league with the 61.

[00:35:20.750]>>Said he wanted to putt like a kid, like he used to. There you go.

[00:35:30.440]>>It's a front nine that's been friendly to Ricky Castillo. Had some troubles here in the opening round on Thursday, but then on Friday, shot 29 on this side.

[00:35:39.690]>>30 on this side yesterday and already 4 under through the 1st 5.

[00:35:45.400]>>Big tee shot, 9 iron in hand.

[00:35:48.790]>>Just 168 to the hole.

[00:35:57.680]>>OK

[00:35:59.340]>>Really good shot underneath the hole, a little right to left putt.

[00:36:06.600]>>Bridgeman for 20 under. Did a really good putt back at the par, 3 5th hole.

[00:36:13.860]>>Not a lot of movement in this, but

[00:36:19.030]>>Thought it might move a little bit to the right, but it just kind of hung, hung outside left.

[00:36:25.780]>>Always a good looking putter, I mean.

[00:36:29.420]>>Number one on tour.

[00:36:31.480]>>Just looks like he's gonna make everything.

[00:36:35.030]>>Now I really thought Castillo yesterday made some important putts. I know it wasn't the finish that he wanted. He made some mistakes and

[00:36:44.040]>>Hit a clunky wedge on 16, but all in all, I like the way that he putts.

[00:36:50.240]>>There you go. I mean, there's just something about.

[00:36:55.250]>>The way that the ball comes off the putter face for him, it comes off with a little more energy.

[00:37:04.090]>>Still 5 ft, Gary for Shipley. So holding pace is the right center part.

[00:37:10.000]>>Looking outside right, Gary.

[00:37:13.300]>>Good job. Good job.

[00:37:17.540]>>Oh, OK, thank you.

[00:37:19.750]>>Bridgeman in the fairway at 8.

[00:37:22.260]>>Good tee shot

[00:37:26.070]>>Excellent chance right here for Bridgeman if he can come up with a big iron shot just like that. Now all of a sudden Bridgeman, he'll have that to go to 21 under. Here is Putnam at 18.

[00:37:38.150]>>Putnam, no nerves. He's always been good with butter.

[00:37:44.420]>>Bordeaux

[00:37:49.010]>>Isaiah Salinda at the 18th, 2nd shot.

[00:37:54.370]>>You'll see a lot of players in this range right here, somewhere in between 130, 140, Salinda with a beauty here.

[00:38:05.840]>>Number 3 in the world amateur golf rankings, the left-hander, 18-year-old Tyler Watts of the 18th. Big tee shot.

[00:38:15.290]>>

[00:38:15.690]>>6 yards, rip it back.

[00:38:20.090]>>Very nice. Almost ripped it in.

[00:38:23.600]>>Making it look easy.

[00:38:27.580]>>And Greyserman at the 8th.

[00:38:31.630]>>You know, this for Eagle.

[00:38:36.790]>>Slow down a little bit. Excellent lag putt.

[00:38:48.200]>>And now Jacob Bridgeman could have a share of the lead.

[00:38:57.910]>>Kinda like that. Bridgeman buries the eagle and leapfrogs to the top.

[00:39:17.520]>>This is a good pot Susy Susy, come on. The postman says I'm here. Special delivery. Anybody paying attention to me?

[00:39:27.320]>>He's 10 under today. We've got a slice of PGA Tour history. J.T. Poston now 20 under.

[00:39:35.790]>>Marco Penge at the 9th.

[00:39:44.130]>>Wow, that's so good.

[00:39:51.400]>>Peter Malnati makes his home about 2 hours away from Asheville in Knoxville, Tennessee for Birdie at 16.

[00:40:00.550]>>Never even looked like it was going to miss.

[00:40:04.050]>>It's a strong final round for Malnati.

[00:40:10.020]>>JT Poston's on sub 60 watch 3rd at 8. He really is, and, uh, he has a very tidy short game.

[00:40:20.750]>>That should get him to 11 under today. If he birdies the last, it's a lot to ask. He knocks the hardest hole in the golf course. J.T. Poston has done something super special in his home state.

[00:40:33.250]>>After the penalty, it's the 4th shot for Max Greyserman. Yeah, deep breath, just trying to save as many as you can here now.

[00:40:42.720]>>Oh, well done.

[00:40:52.160]>>Formality for Poston.

[00:40:58.910]>>Well, for his years on the PGA Tour, the club that he has in his hands right there.

[00:41:05.670]>>Has probably been one of the hallmarks of his career. You know he knows.

[00:41:11.840]>>He absolutely knows where he stands.

[00:41:14.710]>>Hardest hole today is the par 4 9th. JT Poston needs a birdie for 59.

[00:41:24.800]>>The teenager Blades Brown on the back end.

[00:41:29.860]>>With an eagle effort at 17th. Yeah, no fear from Blades. He's gonna be aggressive with this.

[00:41:38.670]>>Not aggressive and in. Wow, that's so good. Two really long putts that we saw from Blades.

[00:41:46.860]>>Good for him.

[00:41:53.720]>>How about it James stroke.

[00:41:58.090]>>Makes it a group of 5.

[00:42:03.320]>>To the par 4 12th Bridgeman from 142 yards.

[00:42:09.580]>>

[00:42:11.840]>>Fantastic shot. He'll have that left for Birdie.

[00:42:19.350]>>18th hole, 3rd shot for Blades Brown coming off the Eagles at 17.

[00:42:29.280]>>Come on kid.

[00:42:32.610]>>Scraping paint off the flagstick right now.

[00:42:37.730]>>Bridgemen for the outright lead. Beautiful iron shot in here underneath the hole.

[00:42:45.370]>>Woo!

[00:42:48.670]>>Putt to push the ground.

[00:42:52.690]>>At the 12th, Jackson Koivun.

[00:42:57.900]>>Nice motion there.

[00:43:03.500]>>Oh, that's pretty good.

[00:43:10.890]>>J.T. Poston for a 59.

[00:43:15.010]>>26 ft

[00:43:17.920]>>Gotta work left to right.

[00:43:23.710]>>It didn't work left or right. Oh, I agreed with them.

[00:43:29.730]>>He only missed one fairway, did not miss a green. I mean, it was a ball striking exhibition today and

[00:43:38.570]>>Good for J.T. Poston.

[00:43:42.580]>>OK, cool.

[00:43:45.330]>>To 13, James to join Bridgeman.

[00:43:49.660]>>And left is well short. That's a knoll right there that he's coming up and over.

[00:43:54.630]>>But good pace

[00:43:56.560]>>But

[00:43:58.270]>>OK.

[00:43:59.900]>>Let's make it official for a career low, a season low, a season low, and of course record. J.T. Poston.

[00:44:07.220]>>Shoots a Sunday 60.

[00:44:24.350]>>Neal Shipley needs a big finish.

[00:44:30.680]>>Yeah, this is beautiful. This could just

[00:44:34.300]>>Turn this all around.

[00:44:37.620]>>There's the momentum.

[00:44:43.140]>>Bridgeman has to save though, Gary. Yeah, so I think as an elite party you won't see that tentative stroke.

[00:44:50.150]>>Oh, that could be the pivotal part for the day right there.

[00:44:55.750]>>Good boy. Good boy.

[00:44:58.490]>>Ben James for a share.

[00:45:01.110]>>Yeah, this after a really good bunker shot.

[00:45:06.660]>>And

[00:45:07.930]>>Uh, well done.

[00:45:13.430]>>Bridgeman to go back in front.

[00:45:16.950]>>Fairly straight part of this top half.

[00:45:20.050]>>There we go.

[00:45:22.090]>>Never a doubt.

[00:45:24.140]>>And Jacob Bridgeman is back on top.

[00:45:28.710]>>What I got.

[00:45:33.460]>>Johnny Keefer's got an eagle putt.

[00:45:41.230]>> Johnny Keefer's got an eagle.

[00:45:45.010]>>Well, that's just nice.

[00:45:50.010]>>16 now, James to join Bridgeman.

[00:45:54.260]>>Boy, this would be a big putt for this young man.

[00:46:01.320]>>Who

[00:46:02.900]>>Big time from Ben James.

[00:46:09.970]>>But can Bridgeman inch back in front?

[00:46:16.310]>>This one, feed it left or right the whole way.

[00:46:20.680]>>It may have gotten a little bit of info from Castillo's pitch. How about it? He doesn't miss.

[00:46:30.220]>>Full focus, full form.

[00:46:34.430]>>Jake

[00:46:37.220]>>Shipley

[00:46:39.440]>>But

[00:46:40.760]>>Does have two par 5s ahead of him, but so does Jacob Bridgeman.

[00:46:49.720]>>Yeah

[00:46:51.460]>>Bridgeman. 232 to the front. It's a fairly simple flag, oh.

[00:47:00.410]>>What a shot. What a shot is right.

[00:47:03.800]>>Absolutely spectacular. I don't think it's that simple, but he certainly made it look that way.

[00:47:11.350]>>Jackson Koivun's had some trouble at the other par 5 on this side, so just doing damage control. Well, he's just taking care of business and no worries.

[00:47:28.200]>>Now Jacob Bridgeman has this 10 ft putt for Eagle at the 15th.

[00:47:39.320]>>Oh no

[00:47:46.260]>>It is a 3rd straight birdie and nearly toppled for an emphatic eagle.

[00:47:56.280]>>At 18, Marty Dou.

[00:47:58.880]>>Pretty much the center of the fairway.

[00:48:05.450]>>I mean, took it straight up in the air and

[00:48:11.050]>>That

[00:48:12.650]>>was

[00:48:14.070]>>Inches from being 21 under par.

[00:48:18.980]>>James, oh good for him. Shoots 61, he saves par at the last and a big Sunday surge from Ben James who posts 24 under.

[00:48:36.690]>>Almost went in on the fly. Oh, I feel like it has to go for Marty Dou.

[00:48:43.130]>>Oh, see how many points he gets. See where that jumps him to.

[00:48:51.500]>>tee up 12 spots. Yeah, pretty critical.

[00:48:55.610]>>Let's go to Haotong Li at 17.

[00:49:02.700]>>Yeah, giving it a chance. Let's go, that's for Eagle.

[00:49:09.110]>>He hops to 19 under P.

[00:49:15.510]>>Jacob Bridgeman.

[00:49:18.100]>>is trying to bolster his advantage.

[00:49:23.470]>>Just punt defensively down the hill, right to left. Two pats here, we'll give him that nice cushion coming down 18.

[00:49:34.060]>>Oh, I thought the cushion was going to get a little bit, a little bit bigger.

[00:49:39.570]>>It's been a big fluffy cushion.

[00:49:43.950]>>But you're right, Gary. I mean, the way that he went out there, he got the lead. I mean, he shoots 30 on the front nine and then you back it up with 5 more birdies on the back. I mean, went out there and won it.

[00:49:56.370]>>Big finish for Ben James.

[00:49:59.090]>>61s in each of his last two PGA TOUR's Sundays.

[00:50:04.410]>>In a 24 under.

[00:50:07.890]>>We talk about shooting your age in golf. Jackson Koivun is about to do that. 21 under for the 21 year old.

[00:50:14.600]>>And he is off to Medina in great form. Jackson Koivun with a top 5 finish to begin the FedExCup Fall.

[00:50:29.980]>>This is a pitcher wedge for Jacob. Just no slopper, let's pick a very definitive target here.

[00:50:36.290]>>Control the spin.

[00:50:46.330]>>Yeah

[00:50:50.730]>>And he

[00:50:56.300]>>You knew it when you saw those eyes darting, didn't you?

[00:51:06.240]>>So James.

[00:51:08.660]>>Not expecting Bridgeman to 4 putt from inside 10 ft.

[00:51:20.420]>>What a 4. Great save. Very nice.

[00:51:25.690]>>Does still have an open conversation on where he ultimately ends up, uh, 68 more than likely for Max Grayserman.

[00:51:35.500]>>This is the guy. He's been the guy pretty much all day long, Gary.

[00:51:40.790]>>It would be fitting, wouldn't it, if he finished with a putt in the heart of the hole, like he's been doing all day.

[00:51:53.390]>>Well

[00:51:55.180]>>It's another player that's missed it on the right-hand side. So if Jacob Bridgeman misses it on the right-hand side, there's something invisible there.

[00:52:05.820]>>Enough to get it done, Jacob Bridgeman.

[00:52:08.790]>>Wins for the second time this season and he takes home the inaugural Biltmore Championship Asheville. So it is all official now as Jacob Bridgeman wins for the second time this season. Bridgeman at 26 under a Sunday, 61 to finish 2 clear of the field.

[00:52:37.200]>>This concludes the PGA Tour's coverage of the 2026 Biltmore Championship Asheville.