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[00:00:25.680]>>The PGA TOUR proudly presents.

[00:00:29.989]>>The FedExCup Fall.

[00:00:33.900]>>Now coverage of the 2025 Bank of Utah Championship.

[00:00:42.619]>>A gorgeous afternoon, golf fans here in Ivins, Utah, the Black Desert Resort. That's where we are for the 4th of 7 FedExCup Fall events. So much on the line with only 4 tournaments remaining before the end of the season to determine who will have playing privileges on the PGA TOUR in 2026. This Tom Wiseop Phil Smith design.

[00:01:08.709]>>Stretches over 7400 yards and we're at altitude here in Utah. So it's a bomber's paradise low scores last year, 23 under and you got your hands on the hardware. It was Matt McCarty who, for the 4th time in 10 events, founded.

[00:01:25.165]>>Victory Lane as we welcome you in. So glad to have your company, Ned Michaels, Gary Christian, Rob Lee, and Inci Mahmet's gonna be down on the emerald green fairways. You may be wondering where in the world is Ivans, Utah. If we zoom in, that's the Black Desert Resort. We're about 300 miles south of the Great Salt Lake, 100 miles north of Las Vegas, Nevada.

[00:01:51.000]>>Right in the middle of these vermilion sandstone cliffs and the black lava. It is a scene that looks like it's straight out of a science fiction movie, Gary. Could be out of a video game, couldn't it? It's one of the most spectacular views on the PGA TOUR, as you say, the complete differences in colors, the contrasts, big wide fairways, and they're so nicely framed. I think it's so easy to hit these fairways being wide and they just sort of sit there in front of you. So, uh, scores, as you said, will be very low this week.

[00:02:22.839]>>Conditions, Rob, really if you want to go low, they're perfect. Hardly any wind, uh, conditioning is much better than it was last year. It's a very new golf course, and I

think the players will be licking their chops to go out and play this. but maybe the only thing that keeps you away from great golf is pressure and Gary, there is plenty of it. There is plenty at stake. Yeah, everyone has got something on, those guys in the top 50, they're locked in, nothing can change with them.

[00:02:47.199]>>Uh, 51 to 60 to be able to get in the first couple of signature events, huge deal. But I think the the big one is top 100. Top 100, you can set your schedule, basically, um, you're exempt, no problems at all. Outside the top 100, well, you, you're not guaranteed anything and you've got to kind of play when you can, and, uh, there's a huge difference between 101 and 100.

[00:03:11.639]>>There are 14 players from that 91 to 110 bracket in the field this week. And how about Olesen comes out 65, the 35-year-old, the eight-time winner on the DP World Tour, came in 120th in the FedExCup rankings. This man,

[00:03:29.910]>>Svensson hoops it, bogey free 65 from him.

[00:03:35.990]>>And Jason Day with all kinds of new equipment in the bag this week except for the old trusty putter. Got to keep the old trusty, especially when it does that.

[00:03:48.470]>>And at the final frame of the day,

[00:03:52.649]>>A man who has played and won all over the world, David Lipsky. That's an eagle at the 18th, 65 for him.

[00:04:02.500]>>And Paul Peterson, a man who won in Nashville on the Korn Ferry Tour last season. If the putter gets hot, he can do it. It's the place to do it. Everyone's gonna hit a load of fairways. Everyone's gonna hit a load of greens. It could well come down to a little bit of a pub contest this week. That's how it stacks up here in the Bank of Utah Championship early on a Thursday, Olesen, Svensson, Lipsky, 65s, Ryan Gerard, he's having a breakout season.

[00:04:32.000]>>But we saw from that highlights reel that the greens, not one bobble, they're so perfect. Expect to see a lot of parts going in. Quick to 9.

[00:04:43.640]>>Let's see if this flag can be found, and I suggest it can, oh, that's just a little kick in, thank you very much.

[00:04:51.420]>>To 14

[00:04:59.510]>>familiar figure of Molinari.

[00:05:03.470]>>Coax that into the middle.

[00:05:09.390]>>At the 9th David Ford, who nearly hold out his approach this for another birdie.

[00:05:17.570]>>Ooh, just about, well done.

[00:05:20.160]>>The expertise of the approach shot deserve that.

[00:05:31.019]>>13th.

[00:05:32.730]>>Second shot for Brennan. Yeah, he's 1 under par so far, that's OK. He's got a couple of holes that he can make hay on and that's one of them. What a shot. Surely, 2 under par and looking the right way now.

[00:05:46.730]>>Well, here's a nerve tester for Homa.

[00:05:53.959]>>OK, well done, very nice pitch, putt to match.

[00:06:00.899]>>Ivans, Utah with the stunning red rock scenery, so much to do outdoors.

[00:06:10.859]>>17th Zac Blair, a lengthy birdie putt.

[00:06:14.779]>>Slope, breeze, grain, didn't matter, in for 2.

[00:06:26.320]>>This will be a big bonus for Max Homa.

[00:06:31.739]>>Oh, well done, that's a really good save. That's kind of tipping point for his round there.

[00:06:47.019]>>Brennan at 16.

[00:06:49.170]>>Back into the win makes it considerably easier, really well done there.

[00:06:54.600]>>Mentioned those, those 3 wins. He also, Gary had 17 top 10s.

[00:07:00.329]>>Well that could be one, that could be the hardest guy in golf.

[00:07:05.630]>>Over to the 10th.

[00:07:13.209]>>Here's Homa.

[00:07:16.519]>>Uphill

[00:07:18.959]>>To go and there we go. I go back to that part 9. I'm expecting great things from Max on this back 9, really well done there.

[00:07:27.809]>>you know

[00:07:31.790]>>OK, so there's a little ridge right there. Gotta get it over that. Oh look at this, look at this.

[00:07:40.549]>>We have seen some shots around the greens today, haven't we?

[00:07:51.200]>>Yeah, he's a man of true style and professionalism. This is an amazing look. He's a man that never gives up, he said downhill, breaking a little bit off his left.

[00:08:03.630]>>Some eagle this would be.

[00:08:07.049]>>Don stop stop.

[00:08:12.260]>>It didn't stop.

[00:08:15.410]>>So very much a mixed bag, there you go, quadruple in there, an eagle.

[00:08:21.179]>>Thorbjorn Olesen and Jasper Svensson, the lone internationals at the top, sitting at 6 under, a bunch leaderboard sets up an exciting round two.

[00:08:42.169]>>Welcome to Ivins, Utah on the Black Desert Resort. That's where we are for the 4th of 7 events here in the FedExCup Fall series. So much on the line, players looking to retain privileges on the PGA TOUR for 2026. Some trying to get their hands on the

hardware, even earn opportunities to play in the signature events at the beginning of next season. And this golf course provides a gorgeous canvas up against.

[00:09:12.520]>>The Zion National Forest in the background you can see the snow peaks.

[00:09:18.530]>>And of course, the green carpet, big fairways, it's not a long golf course, just 7400 yards. The score is 23 under. Well, that was the winning score last year as we welcome you in, Ned Michaels, Gary Christian, Rob Lee here in the booth NC Mamet.

[00:09:34.020]>>Down on the golf course and the scores today already it's been torrid and Gary, we talked about it yesterday. Every single shot for every player in the field means something. Yeah, and we're at that stage now we're right at the midpoint in the FedEx fall so now people are starting to count down. You've got to get going. I mean, it's one of those ones you want to wrap things up.

[00:09:54.590]>>That top 100 is the one. You want a full-time job, 51 to 60 is great. It's the gravy of having two signature events early on next season, and they're so important if you get yourself in that AON Next10, you look no farther than a couple of years ago and Ludvig Åberg, he was inside the top 10. He earned a spot at Pebble Beach, went on to finish 2nd in

[00:10:15.859]>>The beginning of a fabulous career and Rob.

[00:10:19.000]>>The bubble, yeah, the next 10 is cherry on the cake. This is where you make or break a career. You've gotta be in the green, 100 or better to be exempt for next year if you have no other exemptions.

[00:10:41.510]>>To 13.

[00:10:42.840]>>Yes, Svensson. He's the wrong side of the hollow, tiptoe over the top of the precipice, and then it should make its way down to the cup.

[00:10:51.900]>>And this is brilliant, utterly brilliant. Oh, what a bonus that is.

[00:10:57.650]>>Nice birdie.

[00:11:04.640]>>Theegala for his 3, or his birdie here at 6, almost identical part from Jason Day, conventional grip.

[00:11:15.799]>>And a good result. There we go. Stick with that one.

[00:11:23.419]>>Yeah, it's a nice little run there 7's a par 5, 8's a little dinky, par 3 that we've been seeing, and 9's a par 5, so you could have a little 3 birdie run here. He's got two movements with the putter for his 4.

[00:11:40.349]>>Wanting that to sit down or hit something hard. Oh, we hit the pen, Hit the pen, dropped in.

[00:11:50.260]>>But just one eagle so far today.

[00:12:00.770]>>creeping, keep creeping.

[00:12:03.960]>>Yeah

[00:12:15.520]>>Fisk, yeah, 3rd shot with a

[00:12:19.080]>>Little stab, lofted wedge, bunt it forward, bit of check. Oh, that hole is getting filled up by the field.

[00:12:32.539]>>OK, a little clean up work here, quite nicely done.

[00:12:36.150]>>Impressive 1st 2 rounds. Solo leader.

[00:12:52.099]>>Svensson

[00:12:54.049]>>He's fighting

[00:13:00.000]>>Two monster putts since the start of our coverage today.

[00:13:06.280]>>Like this man

[00:13:08.440]>>There's that little bit of acceleration with no hit right in the middle. Oh.
Finish right in the middle.

[00:13:19.460]>>Sorry

[00:13:21.909]>>But

[00:13:25.650]>>Working on a terrific round and a great tournament, and that's gonna cap
it off beautifully. Oh.

[00:13:33.400]>>So he will move to 8 under.

[00:13:38.599]>>If you're on the bubble,

[00:13:40.520]>>When do you start getting nervous here when you start for the cup or for top 100? Well, 00, OK, from Salt Lake City. Carson Lundell bounces back. He goes, double bogey, eagle back to 2 under right on the cut line.

[00:14:04.869]>>Jaeger, who had a nice campaign here last year.

[00:14:09.090]>>One of those players that gets in contention does not back down, just gotta get in contention. Sixty-fifth, so good week here, start moving closer.

[00:14:20.530]>>We'd like to get a little bit of credit, so you're not worried about that cut. Well done. So that gives them a little bit of wiggle room there. Now you can start moving forwards perhaps and.

[00:14:30.099]>>Have an opportunity this weekend.

[00:14:34.190]>>Is Hayden Buckley in trouble at 15, not anymore, not anymore, how about that?

[00:14:40.940]>>A little bit of insurance goes from 4 to 5.

[00:14:53.090]>>Let's slide to the 10th.

[00:14:56.359]>>Frank, he had some eye problems, tearing up yesterday. Ba shades on.

[00:15:02.450]>>Trying to get through it, played great and continuing it here, that will get him to 5.

[00:15:11.059]>>Seamus Power.

[00:15:13.190]>>High up above the queen at the 3rd 192 plus 1.

[00:15:20.320]>>Right now, mathematically, the minus ones are in clinging on electricity.

[00:15:28.119]>>Oh, lovely shot. I came off. Down you go, go on.

[00:15:32.429]>>Go on.

[00:15:38.960]>>Yeah

[00:15:43.619]>>Justin Lower at 15.

[00:15:46.539]>>Yeah, it's a big ask to knock this one in.

[00:15:50.270]>>But things are going well, very well, how about that coming towards the end of your 2nd day and tying at the top. Big, big move for Justin Lower.

[00:16:09.450]>>At the 9th

[00:16:11.130]>>for 9.

[00:16:14.119]>>And this is gonna get better and better.

[00:16:17.539]>>Oh

[00:16:20.469]>>We stay with Ford.

[00:16:24.359]>>No problem for before he gets to 8.

[00:16:28.109]>>An amazing story developing in Utah. Michael Brennan, a sponsor's invite and PGA TOUR American cardholder tied for the lead. He'll have a crew of chasers to fend off. The 3rd round is next.

[00:16:46.460]>>And for the 2nd consecutive year, the Black Desert Resort hosts the PGA TOUR, and you may remember last year a 26-year-old Matthew McCarty playing in just his 3rd PGA TOUR event, walked away a winner. Well, that trend of youth and inexperience, it continues.

[00:17:03.655]>>again this week in Utah, our overnight leaders David Ford and Michael Brennan, each just 23 years of age, have combined for a total of only 10 professional starts on the PGA TOUR. They are both looking to change their lives and become a PGA TOUR winner. So glad to have your company. Ned Michaels alongside Gary Christian, Rob Lee, Inci Memet.

[00:17:29.780]>>Is down strolling the Emerald Green fairways here in Ivans, Utah. Where is that exactly? Well, it's 300 miles south of the Great Salt Lake 100 miles north of Las Vegas, Nevada in the southern part of the Beehive state. That's where we are.

[00:17:48.680]>>We had to come out and finish the 2nd round this morning. We made a cut. It came at 2 under. 67 players have made it through to the weekend, and we've been focusing Gary Christian on this top 100 bubble. That's the number where you have a full-time job next year. You can set your schedule and some players are playing great this week, aren't they? They are doing everything they can to move inside that bubble, some really good results there.

[00:18:20.469]>>Let's take a breath. Let's catch up on the leaderboard because again, we had to finish the 2nd round this morning. The cut came.

[00:18:27.489]>>At 2 under par, Justin Lower looking for his first win on the PGA TOUR, the 36-year-old, 66 and 71. He's 129th coming in on the FedExCup points list, so it's this weird.

[00:18:44.449]>>Juxtaposition you're, you're trying to win the tournament, but you also want to make sure that you finish high enough to get inside that top 100. Lots of mini goals, I think out there. Take a look at some of the highlights David Ford mentioned he had it rolling.

[00:19:01.650]>>This man is is is the strength of his game. He hasn't putted very well this year, but he's found that it was something. Saw him hold a lot of nice putts yesterday. Hit it really, really well, barely missed a fairway in green.

[00:19:16.550]>>Certainly not, certainly not, Kevin, you.

[00:19:20.280]>>At the 6th? No.

[00:19:23.250]>>Maybe

[00:19:24.969]>>Come on.

[00:19:28.209]>>Day and it absolutely hit the dead center of the hole. How about that?

[00:19:32.939]>>These greens are pure though, aren't they? Oh, they really are. I mean, bed grass, you know, they're firm, they're fast, they're big greens.

[00:19:41.439]>>You have a lot of slopes, a lot of sections. If you can get in the correct section, you get a nice lot of looks, but if you miss that section, they're quick enough where it's, it's tricky to, to lap up.

[00:19:56.140]>>Very good, very good 2nd part.

[00:20:04.270]>>At the

[00:20:06.140]>>Former world number one amateur Takumi Kanaya great in Japan the previous event and he's carrying it on. Look at that.

[00:20:19.089]>>Yeah.

[00:20:22.000]>>Great drive for Brennan, miles down 2nd to the 7th past 5.

[00:20:26.859]>>That's not much club in there.

[00:20:29.900]>>That's a 6 iron.

[00:20:34.130]>>Beautiful striker now come back off the bank, roll back down to the hole and see if I can tap it in from 4 or 5 ft. What a shot.

[00:20:49.560]>>I

[00:20:58.979]>>OK, David Ford. Mhm. Easy, wasn't it? Easy.

[00:21:16.680]>>Cause a birdie for here be tragic.

[00:21:19.520]>>Come on.

[00:21:27.670]>>Well done, superbly played hole.

[00:21:38.900]>>Interesting seeing it up left with the left hand pin.

[00:21:44.030]>>What's that tell you? He's playing away from the pin to the right.

[00:21:48.229]>>He don't want to hit this left.

[00:21:52.420]>>00, see, M's right, about 1 inch. What a shot.

[00:22:03.060]>>So it's kind of a

[00:22:04.760]>>Golf course where you can

[00:22:06.839]>>Get in streaks. This is Svensson for an eagle, and he has boxed it to tie the lead. Massive putt for the Dane.

[00:22:16.770]>>great. Rico, Rico, Rico, what do you have in store for us at 12?

[00:22:23.630]>>We're seeing a lot of putts in this distance, aren't we, for Birdie, and there's another birdie putt in the center. So birdie for Rico Hoey.

[00:22:35.949]>>They're very much into their culture and it's a bit of a shock when they come over here, so it's not always an easy adjustment. Kar are going very well, as is Thorbjorn Olesen.

[00:22:51.540]>>How those mountains change color with the light and the shade.

[00:22:55.390]>>How high the sun is, it's, it's quite beautiful.

[00:22:59.680]>>As was the drive and 2nd shot of Brennan, down the hill, left to right, so Tobjo Erlason hold this.

[00:23:07.989]>>It's gonna start swinging from about here and it will get there.

[00:23:12.349]>>Oh, what a good putt.

[00:23:25.689]>>This is Kevin Hughes' 2nd to 3rd team. We've seen quite a lot of people find this pin.

[00:23:33.920]>>Go on, back you go.

[00:23:35.660]>>Yeah, you see you've got a couple of ways to get it close.

[00:23:40.390]>>How about in really close.

[00:23:50.099]>>9 under par at the 9th Suba.

[00:23:53.670]>>He'd like to get to 10 under par, playing the 10th.

[00:23:59.189]>>Right, cross-handed, left below right. Last look at the hole.

[00:24:03.599]>>Trust it.

[00:24:05.300]>>Excellent.

[00:24:16.949]>>You go with a three word.

[00:24:20.390]>>It's leaked a little right, needs a bounce.

[00:24:24.040]>>It's a big bounce, and there's that ball around the back.

[00:24:27.959]>>Come on, this could be really good. Uh oh. Come on, come on. And that for eagle.

[00:24:34.890]>>What a break that was.

[00:24:43.989]>>like that club too, so there should be a perfect club here.

[00:24:56.369]>>OK, so a lot of swing speed, a lot of power. Can you dial in this wedge?

[00:25:02.640]>>See if we're gonna hit it in that bowl.

[00:25:09.349]>>Really good line, if it's the right distance. Ooh, he's just gonna catch it.

[00:25:17.060]>>Well done.

[00:25:29.339]>>Their teeth

[00:25:31.829]>>Olesen's 2nd.

[00:25:34.989]>>After that lovely 3 wood it right at the pin.

[00:25:38.300]>>Not too much.

[00:25:40.079]>>What a shot that is. He is right. Whatever the zone is, that's where he is. He's residing right in the middle of that, and it's pretty fat.

[00:25:53.410]>>First, let's see if Michael Brennan.

[00:25:55.900]>>Can hold this and tie the lead.

[00:26:00.790]>>So a quick one.

[00:26:02.369]>>Oh they caught it right in the middle of the hole.

[00:26:05.640]>>Terrific putt. So he joins the leaders at 13 under. I'm away.

[00:26:13.550]>>Kevin Yu

[00:26:15.729]>>For an eagle, ran it round the wall of death at the back, and there you go. Another person tied for the lead.

[00:26:27.859]>>That's the unmistakable putting stroke of Brant Snedeker. Hands way ahead here, a little pop up and over the hill, about the 3rd.

[00:26:37.180]>>And that's what he's had a whole career of doing.

[00:26:49.920]>>First look at our defending champ today, Matt McCarty.

[00:27:03.369]>>Here it comes, here it comes, and that's gonna gather momentum, and it's a kick in.

[00:27:09.569]>>Well done.

[00:27:12.800]>>Let's

[00:27:14.849]>>Let's get ahead to 13 and Kanaya.

[00:27:20.859]>>Yeah, that's nowhere else but in the middle of the cup.

[00:27:25.180]>>Kanaya is trying to ride his ticket to next year. Yeah, if you want to go, you know, hair left, that's fine by me, but so 58, OK, yeah.

[00:27:35.260]>>Dropped 390 yards to drive.

[00:27:39.630]>>Down there in that just little 9 o'clock left arm position.

[00:27:45.750]>>So he's gonna take one bounce forwards and maybe catch that backstop, that's what he's looking for. Right behind this hole is the is the best 4 line back down. Let's see if we can pull it off.

[00:28:01.239]>>Oh, did he need it? What a shot. Well, it's impressive. Oh, it's better than that, to hit it that long, that straight and then have that feel.

[00:28:16.939]>>Out of position here for Cook, oh, that's a scared rabbit. That has gone down there like a scared rabbit. Be only his 8th event of the season, playing on not very good status as a past champion.

[00:28:32.150]>>Excellent tee shot for David Ford.

[00:28:34.979]>>Really good look at this pin position at 13, trying to cut it in from right to left.

[00:28:43.579]>>And this, if it does what it's supposed to do, might be even closer. Well done. Go on then.

[00:28:57.640]>>Get ready for a great day tomorrow.

[00:29:09.319]>>Yeah.

[00:29:10.660]>>So, so very impressive from Rico Hoey.

[00:29:15.969]>>Finishes with another birdie.

[00:29:23.609]>>Kind of just trap it.

[00:29:25.599]>>A lie doesn't look great to me. Mm.

[00:29:28.640]>>9 of 11 this week scrambling.

[00:29:35.680]>>And the contact was good.

[00:29:37.920]>>And all in all, that's an impressive shot from a tricky line. Another birdie, upcoming.

[00:29:46.939]>>Right.

[00:29:52.589]>>And Mark Blackburn working with Mat Fitzpatrick, Justin Rose.

[00:29:58.020]>>Couple of top dogs in the stable.

[00:30:07.270]>>We'll get him up there in the top 10.

[00:30:10.219]>>Alright, there we go.

[00:30:15.770]>>So there it is, sneaking inside the top 100.

[00:30:24.380]>>Defending champion McCarty.

[00:30:27.030]>>Don't go long.

[00:30:29.030]>>Oh, it's an aggressive line.

[00:30:31.859]>>How hard's the bounce.

[00:30:34.250]>>It's perfect, absolutely perfect.

[00:30:41.089]>>We give him a big lead. This is for Eagle, the final hole of the day.

[00:30:50.670]>>OK.

[00:30:53.939]>>I was hoping for the right turn off the coin there. Hit the manhole Cup. It did, that was a big one, wasn't it? What a, what a day though.

[00:31:02.890]>>Yeah, that's beyond excellent.

[00:31:07.099]>>Especially when you consider he made double bogey at the 2nd hole, it was 2 over through 2 with family on looking, Michael Brennan heads into the final round with a 2 shot lead over last year's champion Matt McCarty. Can the unthinkable happen in Utah? The final round is next.

[00:32:02.819]>>For the 2nd consecutive year, the Black Desert Resort hosts the PGA TOUR, and you may remember last year, 26-year-old Matthew McCarty arrived in Utah, having won 3 times on the Korn Ferry Tour that season, and in just his 3rd PGA TOUR event, he walked away a winner. Well, there's another young startup seeking some stardom.

[00:32:26.209]>>Michael Brennan at the top of the leaderboard, just 23 years old, playing on a sponsor's invitation. He too comes in with 3 wins this season on the PGA TOUR, America, he slept on a two-shot lead. He's looking to make history. He's just playing in his first event on the PGA TOUR as a professional.

[00:32:46.349]>>So glad to have your company. Ned Michaels and Gary Christian alongside Rob Lee and Inci Mamet down on the Emerald green fairways here at the Black Desert Resort, and we were wondering how would Michael Brennan respond to the pressure of sleeping on the lead on the PGA TOUR and Gary Christian, he has answered the bell early. He's answered it plus a little bit more, hasn't he? It's been an impressive start to the day.

[00:33:12.430]>>Keeps hitting good iron shots to the right distance and then the pace of the parts right in the middle there.

[00:33:19.439]>>And a man who has, well, just recently gone to the long putter Rico Hoey since he put it in the bag in Napa. He has a couple of top 10s, including a 4th last week in Japan. He's a ball hitting Jesse, as they say, if the putter cooperates, and he's gonna have something to say about it. But right now it is all Michael Brennan.

[00:33:39.680]>>Who is going to put some pressure on, or the only chance is that is Michael had to have some sort of troubles to give them hope right now he's doing exactly what he needs to do.

[00:33:51.260]>>Slipped to the 9th, catch up with Rico Hoey. No slouch off the tee, shade under 350, you can reach this oh, this has got a little left on it. Has he saved it with a catapult finish?

[00:34:03.400]>>Oh, he has done.

[00:34:05.319]>>Yet again, par 5s for these long players around here are.

[00:34:11.250]>>And we'll welcome in Inci Mehmet, who's down with this final group.

[00:34:15.408]>>Good afternoon. A wonderful, perfect scoring day. Once again, the final par 5 here on the front nine, and that flag is tucked away in that back right corner, not a pin to attack. Let's say, great play here is about 20-30 feet just left of it. Ideal to play that high cut if you can. Work it left to right, take the trouble out of play.

[00:34:39.550]>>Very much reachable today, this par 5.

[00:34:43.378]>>Give me a good life, good line.

[00:34:50.780]>>Look at that hole location at 11 for David Ford here, Rob. He's been impressive today, he stayed within his game. He hasn't tried to do something he can't do. He's got to find fairways and greens. He's looking at this one with interest. Sit, what a shot.

[00:35:06.760]>>Climbs over that ridge, you'll be going downhill, breaking off his left gaining a little bit of speed as well, so something to play for.

[00:35:21.120]>>And the weight's pretty good. That's not far away, that'll do nicely.

[00:35:26.000]>>He's going, he can't do much more.

[00:35:29.139]>>One.

[00:35:34.340]>>For the approach work of Ford from the fringe pin out and the ball. Oh stop it.

[00:35:44.760]>>A huge opportunity, isn't it? It's a funny read. You can see a slope from both sides, but over will be relatively straight to start off, and it's the final foot or two. I see it just creeping off the left.

[00:36:09.729]>>Mhm

[00:36:11.239]>>Still a birdie and leads by 5. He told us that story about.

[00:36:15.489]>>Two seasons ago in the finale on PGA TOUR Americas, he had an opportunity to earn his Korn Ferry Tour card. He thought he was tied for the lead. He looked up at the 12th of the leaderboard. He was ahead by 4, and he said it shocked his system.

[00:36:31.189]>>The next hole on the 13th, he made a double bogey and fell down the leaderboard coming in. He eventually finished 3rd, didn't get his Korn Ferry Tour card. It's turned into a great learning lesson and we're gonna see if he can put it to use this week, this Sunday.

[00:36:48.959]>>Lower at the 11th.

[00:36:51.389]>>Well, this is the entire length of the green.

[00:36:56.290]>>It's 35 yards long, don't tell me. Oh, what a bonus that is, please, it's, that's twice he's done that this week. A putt that was gonna de-green itself, run off the green.

[00:37:08.860]>>Svensson's approach was

[00:37:11.300]>>Top class, this is for a 3.

[00:37:14.620]>>Oh, what a gift back to the field that is.

[00:37:19.020]>>The only slight issue is it's a relatively deep bunker and you can only see the top half of the flag, so you very much need to trust your number here.

[00:37:27.959]>>Wind's died down ever so slightly. Flag's not fluttering as much, but you gotta play once again for that uphill slope.

[00:37:38.110]>>Gotta thank the previous caddie that raked that bunker. Look at the lights pristine.

[00:37:52.860]>>Hm.

[00:37:56.929]>>Well, it's a 5 shot lead and that's a chance of a 2 shot swing there. Yeah, I do that one.

[00:38:03.989]>>Utah native Zac Blair. Well, you try and turn this into a 2, which he has done rather straightforwardly.

[00:38:20.090]>>Velo with the driver, so you're gonna have to take a little off this.

[00:38:27.949]>>And that little soft cut in there, what a shot. And that for Eagle.

[00:38:39.989]>>And see how we play this one for Michael Brennan.

[00:38:43.070]>>Requires a little bit of creativity, balls sitting on a slight downhill slope and you chipping up to an elevated green, so naturally that ball will be pitching at a much flatter angle.

[00:38:53.350]>>So longing for that bit of release and delayed grab.

[00:38:56.689]>>Yeah.

[00:38:59.020]>>It's like a little late scoop at the end there wasn't it? So, OK.

[00:39:07.439]>>Birdie, the 9th, Birdie the 7th as well.

[00:39:11.489]>>Not a very good day up until that point.

[00:39:17.310]>>But this is where he really starts to cook.

[00:39:24.580]>>But Inci, this is a big moment for Brennan who's trying to save par.

[00:39:29.070]>>It is this golf course hasn't really tested his nerves too often so far throughout the tournament, so this is a big one back up the hill.

[00:39:48.320]>>Oh we

[00:39:50.340]>>Hello Rico Hoey.

[00:39:53.530]>>Golf tournament

[00:39:55.489]>>Upcoming, I think.

[00:39:59.840]>>Remember this is for eagle at 14.

[00:40:03.100]>>Just going a little bit left to right.

[00:40:06.649]>>It's not been a great day to this point, but a lot better there.

[00:40:16.010]>>I think this is incredibly bold play, but like you said, Rob, he's got that evidence of confidence where he can build and where he's hit that fairway before. I promise you this isn't a big target for Brennan, but he's clearly feeling pretty good with the driver in hand. Absolutely needs to thread this one.

[00:40:35.719]>>Oh my goodness, that, that is a missile.

[00:40:41.919]>>That's borderline nuclear, that is. Look at that. That's gonna be get down, you can throw it on the green from there, look at that, that's the green side bunker right there. That is incredible. What a time to do that.

[00:40:54.189]>>That's outrageous, really. Come on.

[00:41:03.820]>>Well, how about Billy Horschel coming back from hip surgery, just his 2nd event.

[00:41:12.699]>>I recovered from a recovered from a quadruple bogey earlier in the week.

[00:41:18.899]>>Great shot. Nearly an ace. Great shot.

[00:41:22.379]>>Yeah.

[00:41:26.629]>>How relaxing must it be to have a wonderful week and get it sorted, exactly. Oh, this is right at it for Rico. Does he have the number?

[00:41:36.679]>>Oh.

[00:41:44.330]>>Quick look at that leaderboard. How about the 63 from Snedeker? He was playing on a career money.

[00:41:51.379]>>Exemption. Mhm. OK. The youngster David Ford coming off the PGA TOUR University program.

[00:42:00.889]>>Billy, here he is.

[00:42:07.290]>>For a nice little deuce.

[00:42:13.419]>>Alright. Now back to the 12th.

[00:42:17.550]>>Needs to keep a bit of the speed up to get that bit of release, which he's looking for. Pretty well played. Really nicely done there. Find a weakness. Mhm.

[00:42:36.239]>>So Brennan in close this would be to answer a likely birdie.

[00:42:40.330]>>From the leader.

[00:42:44.149]>>Oh look at this, look at this, what a time to make it.

[00:42:48.120]>>Oh my word.

[00:42:55.709]>>Yes, just straight up the hill. It's uh inside the cup. This is as easy as it gets for your buddy.

[00:43:04.500]>>Brilliant.

[00:43:07.979]>>But good for Hoey just to keep, you just got to stay as close as long as possible and see.

[00:43:14.810]>>Let's get to the 13th and you back down towards the cup.

[00:43:21.439]>>Should come at the end to the right.

[00:43:23.820]>>Should come at the end to the right in the middle.

[00:43:29.919]>>165 yards from perfect lie, you pitched just a couple of yards right, it will kick left. This whole green does slope right to left and like Rob said, you pitch it shy. There is that knuckle. It does kick on.

[00:43:41.189]>>So to rely on a little bit of height hedge leaning on a 9 iron.

[00:43:47.350]>>That's the aggressive fade swing.

[00:43:51.969]>>What a shot, what a shot. This may be the best of the day. Hayden Buckley hit it inside of 5 ft and that's going to rival.

[00:44:06.219]>>The Horschel trying to get it up-and-down and cap off a really, really impressive week.

[00:44:12.739]>>Steady, steady.

[00:44:16.560]>>Certainly knocking the rust off.

[00:44:22.919]>>Looks like a man in control so far.

[00:44:41.189]>>Beautiful putt.

[00:44:49.419]>>So meanwhile, Rico Hoey could not convert.

[00:44:57.219]>>Good.

[00:45:01.360]>>Come on, Billy, knock it in. Well done. What a round of golf.

[00:45:06.030]>>Nearly all shot, 5 under par.

[00:45:12.510]>>Yeah, he plays a different game. He has to lean on his strengths here, which is power. He can generate a lot more spin and also technically a bit more height. So he should be taking dead aim here.

[00:45:27.689]>>OK, just sit soft.

[00:45:30.840]>>Oh, look,

[00:45:33.560]>>Come back, come back. I may get back on the green.

[00:45:38.229]>>There we go. Keep going. OK, job done there.

[00:45:49.100]>>This is back in his hometown. They're having a little watch party.

[00:45:54.320]>>He's from Virginia, that's in the mid-Atlantic part of the United States.

[00:46:05.939]>>How are we looking to apply some pressure on to Brennan now?

[00:46:16.719]>>Now it needs to get up that slope and come back down. Come on, keep going.

[00:46:31.209]>>His pace control's been spot on. He's really shown no weaknesses so far.

[00:46:36.899]>>He's shown strength in his game, but he's also shown strength in his mental game as well.

[00:46:42.479]>>He's got it all, this man.

[00:46:45.770]>>It would more than double the longest putt that he's made.

[00:46:49.679]>>All week if somehow he could sneak it in the cup this poor eagle.

[00:47:04.229]>>Pretty good. Still a little bit of work left but.

[00:47:08.780]>>Very good effort.

[00:47:15.739]>>Yeah, I was a poor chap, to say the least. This is an uphill putt, so has to give this a good go.

[00:47:22.899]>>Gotta say I do like that stroke. You wouldn't mind that club, Gary, would you? So Matt McCarthy putter is pretty nifty. Hoey to save par at 14.

[00:47:42.590]>>Well, at least the pace was better.

[00:47:46.020]>>Back to the 14th.

[00:47:51.409]>>Brennan

[00:47:53.010]>>That was easy, easy work. 23 under par, 4-shot lead now as he makes his way off of the drivable and reachable par 4. Just 4 holes remain, Gary.

[00:48:10.560]>>No.

[00:48:15.939]>>How about a closing eagle at the 18th for Max Homa.

[00:48:19.469]>>OK, so belief starting to sprout.

[00:48:23.729]>>Oh, what a finish.

[00:48:25.580]>>Well, that makes home that just a horror show of a year, but finishing strong.

[00:48:39.030]>>We're closing birdie at 18, Ford, uh, hoops it. What a week. What a week.

[00:48:47.290]>>So it gets him to 16 under right now a tie for 3rd.

[00:48:52.340]>>We moved to 17 with our leader.

[00:48:57.070]>>It's just getting that judgment right, climbing up that force front initially went and then it flattens up in that second half.

[00:49:15.780]>>That from there was very competent.

[00:49:19.229]>>Brennan would make par to stay at 23 under.

[00:49:28.810]>>For birdie

[00:49:30.969]>>Yeah, he'll be giving plenty away with this part.

[00:49:43.070]>>To 18 Fairway with our final group and Brennan set to play.

[00:49:53.459]>>And there's the one offline.

[00:49:59.770]>>Oh no.

[00:50:02.370]>>That is down in the Devil's thumbprint.

[00:50:12.959]>>Brennan found his ball in the lava and took it unplayable. He's playing his 4th shot now.

[00:50:20.050]>>trying to land something kind of in the.

[00:50:25.060]>>There's a little ridge that crosses about 5 yards onto the green on the left-hand side. If you pitch it there, it's on the slight uphill slope.

[00:50:32.250]>>That would deaden

[00:50:35.010]>>The ball landing on the screen.

[00:50:43.409]>>Just one good action here for Brennan.

[00:50:55.139]>>Oh yeah, so good.

[00:50:58.110]>>Well done. Job done.

[00:51:01.979]>>Sprouted one gray hair on that hole there, but.

[00:51:14.899]>>Big putt here though, this is to break out of a 6-way tie for 3rd.

[00:51:29.469]>>Well, opportunity gone there. But a good title defense, very impressive indeed.

[00:51:38.669]>>Final round one under.

[00:51:47.820]>>One

[00:51:49.699]>>Last sweep for Rico and there it is.

[00:51:54.270]>>Closing par, got a nice break off of the tee to stay in the fairway bunker, 67 for Rico all by himself. Last two starts now, tie for 4th and a solo 2.

[00:52:16.100]>>For the win

[00:52:19.469]>>Michael Brennan, in a big time breakout in the Bank of Utah Championship.

[00:52:27.040]>>That's history.

[00:52:33.979]>>This concludes the PGA Tour's coverage of the Bank of Utah Championship from Black Desert Resort in Ivins, Utah.