

PGA TOUR Originals
Credentialed: the Memorial Tournament presented by Workday
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ANNC: Scottie Scheffler with a chance for a round of 68. To tie the lead... never a doubt!

That looked a little like Jack in his prime leading with the putter in the left arm!

Jack could brandish that putter up to the sky better than anyone of all time.

That is a man in the zone right there.

OPENING STANDUP

LAUREN WITHROW: Welcome to Credentialed: the Memorial Tournament presented by Workday. The PGA TOUR's top players have landed here in Dublin, Ohio. Muirfield Village Golf Club is affectionately known as Jack's Place, and it's easy to see why.

The legacy of Jack and Barbara Nicklaus is everywhere you can see out here. From the championship caliber golf course design to the tournament that's grown bigger and better over half a century, to their unwavering commitment to children's healthcare and honoring our military families, the heart of the Nicklaus family is woven into every detail.

In the seventh signature event of the PGA TOUR season, players aren't just chasing a trophy, they are competing for what every player dreams of ... a Sunday handshake from Jack himself.

THE MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT SETUP

COLLIN MORIKAWA: This is probably the only golf course where I've stepped foot on it before I actually played and said I love this place, no matter how I play.

VIKTOR HOVLAND: I remember watching this tournament growing up in Norway, I knew that, okay, this week is the Memorial tournament, list of great champions have won this event.

MAX HOMA: It's a really tough test of golf but it's just a historic golf course. You know Tiger has thousands of highlights from here.

ANNC: I've seen it all today! This is unbelievable!

MAX HOMA: Just feel like you've seen it as a kid growing up so many times. It's always fun to come to a place like that.

ANNC: Muirfield Village Golf Club, where the stars of the sport have been coming for five decades.

COLLIN MORIKAWA: It's a tough golf course, it's playing really tough already and it's only going to get tougher.

VICTOR HOVLAND: During the round it's just so stressful, especially when it's blowing. The rough is probably as thick as I've ever seen it.

ANNC: The Memorial Tournament, the dream, the vision of the great champion, Jack Nicklaus

MAX HOMA: Jack Nicklaus's name on an event is a massive deal.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: He wants this golf course to be the best test of golf.

VIKTOR HOVLAND: Just seeing everyone shake Mr. Nicklaus's hand on the 18th green, it's pretty special.

JACK NICKLAUS: It's grown in stature, it's grown in the eyes of the golfing world and the players. The players love to come here and play.

ANNC: It's just going to be wild. Excitement, drama, big names at every turn.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER FEATURE

DEFENDING CHAMPION AND WORLD NUMBER ONE SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER ROLLED INTO MUIRFIELD VILLAGE RIDING A WAVE OF RECENT SUCCESS...

ANNC: Full circle for Scheffler! Scottie wins for the first time this year.

Scottie Scheffler, with another tournament title!

NATS: Scottie! Scottie! Scottie!

ANNC: Everybody trying to figure out, how in the world can I catch Scottie Scheffler?

The last 27 months he's won 15 times.

Scottie Scheffler set to defend his title at the Memorial Tournament.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: When you show up to an event, everybody's at even par, you know. People ask, I feel like a lot, what's it like defending this week? I'm like, well, what does that do for me? Nothing.

You know, I have some experience on the golf course that can be helpful, but at the end of the day you start even par, and I want to be in contention on Sunday, and you definitely don't want to show up too high or too low. When you're looking at a four-day golf tournament over 72 holes, you have to have a heightened level of focus because out here, especially around this place, there's not a shot that you can just kind of hit. You have to be very focused on what you're doing.

FOLLOWING HIS 2024 PLAYER OF THE YEAR CAMPAIGN, SCHEFFLER PICKED UP RIGHT WHERE HE LEFT OFF—POSTING TOP-25 FINISHES IN ALL 11 STARTS THIS SEASON, INCLUDING A STREAK OF SIX STRAIGHT TOP-TENS SINCE MARCH, WITH A PAIR OF VICTORIES.

ANNC: Everybody looking up at Scottie Scheffler, the world number one, who is on a heater.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I had some good starts recently. I played some pretty solid golf and so definitely feel like my game is trending in the right direction.

ANNC: Like a surgeon with a scalpel. Scottie Scheffler with an iron in hand.

Scottie Scheffler's got an abundance of talent and just the way he goes about playing the game. His love to compete and the love to go out and practice, searching for perfection.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: When I step up on the first tee tomorrow, I'm going to remind myself that I'm prepared, I'm ready to play in the tournament, now it's all about going out and competing.

FIRST ROUND

STARTER: From Dallas, Texas, please welcome, Scottie Scheffler.

ANNC: Tiger Woods won this 5 times. He's the only one to go back-to-back. Won it three years in a row, so Scheffler trying to match Woods, go back-to-back with a victory. First birdie of the day.

ANNC: If you look at his putting stats, he's having his best year, probably since he's been on the PGA TOUR on the greens.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I felt like I scored pretty well. You know, if I want to keep doing that, I'll have to be a little sharper the next few days.

ANNC: You won't see Scheffler make many mistakes. If he's gonna miss, he's missing on the wide side, great course manager.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I felt like I was out of the fairway a bit too much today. I was able to hit a decent amount of greens, just giving myself a few more quality looks, I think, would be a

big difference.

ANNC: Straight in!

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Two good up-and-downs on 17 and 18, and a really good birdie on 16, so overall pleased, you know, with how I finished.

ANNC: Shane Lowry just had a wonderful year seems week in week out in contention. Four top-10s already on the year.

Straight down the hill, just needs to make one. There you go! Ask and you shall receive. Shane Lowry in the mix.

SHANE LOWRY: You know, I hit the ball in play a lot today, I hit lot of fairways, which allowed me to hit a lot of greens, I took advantage of some good driving today. It's pretty difficult. There's just no gimmies out there. There's no holes where you feel like, you know, you can get away with one. You need to hit good shots.

ANNC: One of the best ball strikers on the PGA TOUR. Morikawa has been all around it, 11 top-10 finishes since the start of 2024 but just hasn't been able to close the deal.

Morikawa, twice a runner-up here at the Memorial. Certainly loves this spot but it's been 2023 in Japan that he's won.

Birdie putt for Morikawa, they're pouring them in everywhere trying to find some momentum with that club.

MORIKAWA: Some golf courses when you're out here you just feel like you can make birdie on every hole, you know, no matter how tough they are. You know, it played a lot softer today than I thought it was going to and you know, you're able to take advantage of that on a few of these holes.

ANNC: Excellent round too, only missed four greens in regulation today.

MORIKAWA: I've got to trust myself that I'm playing good enough golf to go out there and win and um, that's what I did today.

AS MUIRFIELD VETS POSITION THEMSELVES WELL IN THE FIRST ROUND, A MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT NEWCOMER WAS AIMING TO BUILD ON A BREAKOUT SEASON THAT INCLUDES HIS FIRST CAREER VICTORY.

ANNC: Andrew Novak lost to Justin Thomas in a playoff at the RBC Heritage, took that momentum with him to the Zurich Classic where he won with Ben Griffin as his partner.

Awesome year and a great start to this week. Does a lot of things right, gets the ball in play, competes, great season.

NOVAK'S TWO-UNDER DEBUT IMPRESSED, BUT IT WAS HIS ZURICH CLASSIC OF NEW ORLEANS TEAMMATE AND CO-CHAMPION WHO PACED THE FIELD.

ANNC: Nobody hotter this part of the season than Ben Griffin coming off a win. Looking for his third win of the season.

Just continuing where he left off last week. How about big Ben?! Man has he putted well today. It's really impressive.

BEN GRIFFIN: It was an incredible day. This is one of the toughest golf courses we play on TOUR and you've got to kind of be on your game to make birdies and give yourself a lot of looks.

ANNC: What?! Up and in! Walkoff birdie for the man! He's in the zone right now!

BEN GRIFFIN: Proud of the way I stayed aggressive on those holes, attacked, never really was trying to play any sort of conservative shots, was just trying to keep the pedal down, and you got to take advantage of that on days like today where putts are dropping.

ANNC: Ben Griffin the best today. 65 just building on what he did last week. Multiple-time champ Scottie Scheffler is right there, Morikawa just two off the lead.

MUIRFIELD VILLAGE IS HARD

ANNC: Muirfield Village is always one of the toughest golf courses on the PGA TOUR.

PRODUCER: What makes Muirfield Village so tough?

JUSTIN THOMAS: All of it.

MAVERICK MCNEALY: Everything about this place is hard.

SHANE LOWRY: When you play tournament golf, there is a side to miss it on. At Muirfield Village, there's not many sides you can miss it on and be comfortable.

MAX HOMA: The golf course demands excellence.

MAVERICK MCNEALY: It really doesn't let up, even the holes where you feel like you can make a birdie, you make one bad swing and you're making bogey or double.

SAHITH THEEGALA: You know par is your friend and a lot of pars feel like birdies out here.

MAX HOMA: You can see it with who's won this event. It requires very impressive golf and for four days to do that out here, that's quite the feat.

JUSTIN THOMAS: It doesn't seem like there's any opportunity to take a deep breath and there's no stretch of holes you can relax on.

ANDREW NOVAK PRACTICE ROUND

MUIRFIELD VILLAGE CHALLENGES EVEN THE MOST SEASONED PGA TOUR VETERANS. FOR A FIRST-TIMER LIKE ANDREW NOVAK, MAKING THE MOST OF PRACTICE DAYS IS ESSENTIAL TO LEARNING THE NUANCES OF JACK'S PLACE AND CHALLENGING FOR THE MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT PRESENTED BY WORKDAY.

JEFF HAMLEY: His line that he's on there, that tree, that's absolutely perfect.

Nice! Willie said they moved us up a tee here last year.

ANDREW NOVAK: Well, that makes sense because if it's a west wind, I have no prayer of getting there, yeah. For me, there's no decision if it's into the wind

For a Tuesday, the greens are already very, very bouncy. I'm thinking by Saturday-Sunday, we're gonna be seeing a very, very tough golf course. The rough is no joke this year.

JEFF HAMLEY: 260

ANDREW NOVAK: Well I mean, we can get there.

JEFF HAMLEY: Yeah.

ANDREW NOVAK: Definitely.

JEFF HAMLEY: Oh, today, absolutely. Lay ups pretty straight forward, though, here too. There's not any surprises, angle wise.

ANDREW NOVAK: They changed the trees on this hole so much since back in the day.

Slopes more like a little bit more right-left at us than like, straight back at us, because of the way we're coming in. Because I know I've seen guys like here, and everybody throws a pass and spins it back, but I don't know if the greens changed since then. That was a few years ago.

That Tiger Woods fella hooped one to front right pin a few years back.

ANNC: Well, excellent... Got it! Got it!

JEFF HAMLEY: He's had a couple big shots here.

ANDREW NOVAK: I was watching that one live in the McCords' living room. We were at Raleigh.

JEFF HAMLEY: Man it looks good.

ANDREW NOVAK: Oh my god.

JEFF HAMLEY: Yeah, great shot. I mean...

ANDREW NOVAK: There's no way to stop it. If I land it right side, like front edge, right side, maybe I hit that so high.

JEFF HAMLEY: There in two though, no problem.

ANDREW NOVAK: I mean, I've played a decent bit of Nicklaus courses. I would say this feels like one of them, the way the slopes on the green work. Without having been here before I'll be very interested to see what kind of transition the course makes from like Tuesday to Thursday to Saturday. I'm assuming it'll be more demanding kind of as the week goes.

Let's hit wedge here.

JEFF HAMLEY: Yes.

ANDREW NOVAK: Do you want a pin?

JEFF HAMLEY: Yeah, let's pick it. Let's do that front pin we talked about.

ANDREW NOVAK: That's kind of where the pin is now.

JEFF HAMLEY: We're making notes as the week goes on, like Andrew's played so well this year, we've been in a few new events. We're looking forward to playing this week and a few new events in our future, hopefully, including the FedEx Cup Playoffs. So, it's a fun challenge that we look forward to.

SECOND ROUND – PART I

ANNC: Much different conditions day two from day one. It was pretty on day one, chillier today and that steady rain, it's just been steady throughout.

AFTER NOVAK'S IMPRESSIVE FIRST ROUND, MUIRFIELD VILLAGE ROARED BACK...

ANNC: Boy that is... where's that going? A lot of nothing you want to be in. Very disappointing from one of the hotter players on the planet.

...RESULTING IN A 5-OVER ROUND AND A TUMBLE DOWN THE LEADERBOARD FOR NOVAK.

ANNC: Collin Morikawa always good around this golf course. Grab a share of the lead!

AFTER A COUPLE QUICK BIRDIES TO START HIS DAY, COLLIN MORIKAWA BEGAN TO FAULTER.

ANNC: Oh boy this is not what he had in mind. Morikawa, that is two doubles in the last three holes. Been a tough round here in round two.

MORIKAWA'S 3-OVER FRIDAY SERVED AS A REMINDER OF HOW FORMIDABLE JACK'S MASTERPIECE CAN BE.

U.S. TEAM CAPTAIN BRANDT SNEDEKER INTERVIEW

MAKING HIS 10TH APPEARANCE AT THE MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT PRESENTED BY WORKDAY...

BRANDT SNEDEKER: Trying to beat the rain a little bit.

...SPONSOR EXEMPTION BRANDT SNEDEKER WAS GRATEFUL FOR THE OPPORTUNITY.

BRANDT SNEDEKER: This is such a big deal for us to be invited to Jack's place and kinda pay homage to the guy who really laid the groundwork for the PGA TOUR and what we do out here. You want to play against the best on the best golf courses, this is where you want to be.

STARTING FRIDAY IN 44TH, TO SEE THE WEEKEND, SNEDEKER WOULD NEED TO NAVIGATE MUIRFIELD VILLAGE GRACEFULLY LIKE HE AND HIS TEAMMATES DID AT THE 2013 PRESIDENTS CUP.

ANNC: All of a sudden Snedeker's figured out where that deft putting touch is. Chants of USA reverberating through Muirfield Village!

IN APRIL, BRANDT SNEDEKER WAS NAMED U.S. TEAM CAPTAIN FOR THE 2026 PRESIDENTS CUP.

BRADNT SNEDEKER: I'm still in shock, to be honest with you. It wasn't something I was expecting to say the least, but it's something I really wanted to do. I had a great time last year in Montreal with the guys. I really enjoyed my role in that situation. I really saw that team aspect. And as anybody tells you, once you play on one team, you never want to miss any of them.

LAUREN WITHROW: Nobody has more Presidents Cup captaincies than Jack Nicklaus with four. If you could ask him for one piece of advice on how to get everybody to buy in... (Yeah) ... what would the first question be?

BRADNT SNEDEKER: It would be that question, how do you do it? How do you get these guys to buy in? Because golf's an individual game. That's what we play most of our career. So to have somebody like Jack and I'm going to try to pick his ears this week a little bit. I'm going to invite him to come to Chicago. You can never not have him around enough.

LAUREN WITHROW: What's the biggest piece of advice you would give Brandt as he embarks on this next journey?

JACK NICKLAUS: Of course, I always took captaincy a little differently than most people. I never tried to make a big strategy out of being a captain. I think Brandt has to listen to them. He's going to love it. Good guy, all the guys like him. He'll have a great time.

BRADNT SNEDEKER: Whatever it takes for us to win is the mindset you want. Like, just go have fun and get out of their way and be great, the simple stuff that Jack does. But Jack did a great job of not letting his ego get in the way when he was captain and not telling people how he would have done it or anything like that, and just saying, hey, you're here for a reason. You're a great player. Just do what you always do and let me help you if I can.

SECOND ROUND – PART II

ANNC: Sneds hanging in there, looking for his first top-30 outside of the Puerto Rico Open.

AS CAPTAIN SNEDEKER MADE THE CUT TO SEE THE WEEKEND... 2010 MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT CHAMPION JUSTIN ROSE BEGAN FRIDAY ON THE WRONG SIDE OF THE CUT LINE, BEFORE TURNING BACK THE CLOCK.

ANNC: How about the day for this man? Justin Rose, 78 yesterday for the man who won this back in 2010, 66 today. He's still in the thick of things, 7 back.

JUSTIN ROSE: I knew I probably didn't need to go super low to make the cut today, which is primary objective was to make the cut. But yeah, things really started flowing. Delighted to have kind of got myself back into the golf tournament.

ANNC: Scottie Scheffler trying to piece together another good round. Shot 2-under 70 in round one. Got off to a great start and then once he made the turn, a few mistakes.

He's begging. Settled down in the rough but that will be a touchy effort there.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: It's a very challenging golf course. You know, when the rough gets this wet, I mean any time you hit it in the rough, the lies are going to be really bad and it's going to be

really challenging. So it's definitely important to keep the ball in play and try and stay dry. 2-under in these conditions was definitely not a bad score today.

ANNC: He's right there again. The defending champ, three off the lead.

Nick Taylor having a great week so far. He putted the ball really well in round one that continues here in round two. Really good in this rain. Been very consistent.

NICK TAYLOR: It was a great round. The iron game was very, very sharp. Putting, made bunch of nice 5-, 6-footers on that back nine for par. It was a clean card, which not necessarily that I expected, but it was nice to keep it as simple as possible.

ANNC: Don't look now, but Jordan Spieth in the mix!

Spieth for birdie. Straight back up the hill! No break, wonderful two putt and Jordan Spieth gets into the red numbers! 4 birdies in his final 6 holes to charge up to minus 3! 4 back of the lead.

JORDAN SPIETH: I didn't make anything to start, and then I got a birdie to drop on 7, and then I made a nice par save on 8 and it felt like the lid came off and I putted well from there but I've been feeling like I've been pretty close, and I just want to stay the course.

ANNC: Ben Griffin, there have been just three first round leaders to go on and win this event, trying to become the 4th.

Just hasn't quite happened for Ben Griffin today. He was so good in round one when he shot seven under. Steady. He's not quite getting enough of those second shots inside 10-15 feet that he had yesterday.

BEN GRIFFIN: I think everyone would probably say it was kind of a grind. Fortunately, having a later tee time, I didn't have to battle the elements quite as much as some of the early groups.

ANNC: Yesterday everything seemed to go right for Ben Griffin. Today he's managed his game very well. He's really kind of settled in later in this round.

BEN GRIFFIN: Coming off of yesterday where I made just about everything I looked at, you can't do that every day when you're playing golf. So I'll take it and I'm excited to kind of keep the pedal down on the weekend.

ANNC: Anybody in the red right now, definitely with a chance to win it, two rounds to play. 24 hours' time that leaderboard might look a little different. Nick Taylor and Ben Griffin sharing the lead at 7-under.

BARBARA NICKLAUS STANDUP

LAUREN WITHROW: Every step around Muirfield Village connects you golf's storied past. No where is the legacy of the game greater more powerful than right here at Memorial Park.

It's a place to recognize those who have shaped the game in unforgettable ways. Each year, the captains club picks one person whose impact goes far beyond fairways and scorecards. This year, in the historic 50th playing of the Memorial Tournament, that honor goes to Barbara Nicklaus.

Barabra's lifelong commitment to giving back has changed lives, uplifted communities, and become the very heart of this event. Barabra's legacy isn't just remembered and celebrated here at Memorial Park, it's alive in everything this tournament stands for.

BARBARA NICKLAUS – MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT HONOREE FEATURE

JAY MONAHAN: What a special day this is. Barbara's has been an exceptionally well lived life wife, mother, grandmother, philanthropist, friend, and all-time great are all words that describe Barbara Nicklaus. Today Memorial Tournament honoree is another superlative that we can add to the list.

BARBARA NICKLAUS: Never in my wildest dreams did I ever imagine that I would be standing here receiving this special honor. Golf has certainly opened many doors for us to give back, and we could never get back as much as golf has given to us, and our precious family and friends have been with us every step of the way.

I will leave you with a quote I stole from my husband. A legacy is not what you do on the field or inside the ropes, a legacy is what you leave behind for others that determines how you are remembered. So thank you from the bottom of my heart and God bless you all.

JACK NICKLAUS: She's the most selfless person I've ever met. Everything's about everybody else, nothing ever about her.

JACK NICKLAUS II: She makes us all better, and she allows us to go out and chase our dreams and do what we feel we can pursue best.

NAN O'LEARY: When you meet mom she makes you feel like you're the only person in the room. She makes everyone feel special and it's just this little knack she has.

JACK NICKLAUS: Our son Gary came to me, said Dad you know, have you ever thought about honoring mom at the Memorial Tournament? So I called Charlie Mechem who's been one of our guiding lights for many years in the Captains Club. He said let me canvas the Captains Club. He called me back a day later and said, Jack, unanimous!

BARBARA NICKLAUS: I'm just so humbled and so honored but I'd rather be on the other side of this I think. That's been that's been my fun through the years, just to love the Memorial and be a part of it.

DAN SULLIVAN: Barbara Nicklaus means everything to the Memorial Tournament, her fingerprints, her expectations, her, interest in making this successful are found everywhere and it couldn't be more appropriate to recognize Barbara as the honoree.

ANEEL BHUSRI: She defines giving back, she defines kindness, she defines caring about others before herself and I think that's what the Memorial Tournament stands for and that's what Barabara stands for.

PRODUCER: What are your first impressions?

BARABA NICKLAUS: Wow. Pretty Special. I feel very humbled. This is a special place, so nice to be included.

JACK NICKLAUS II: You're so humble I didn't even know Nan took after you playing Volleyball. At North High School.

BARARA NICKLAUS: Oh does it say I played volleyball?

JACK NICKLAUS II: You not only played, you excelled.

JACK NICKLAUS II: I think the most deserving honoree we've ever had.

BARBARA NICKLAUS: Oh my goodness.

JACK NICKLAUS II: She has definitely elevated the whole honoree process and of all the honorees, you're the best.

BARBARA NICKLAUS: Wow.

JACK NICKLAUS II: If you listen to her, you'll never hear anything of her accolades because she give everybody else credit but really everything you see here, she is the heart and soul of that. Everything you see here is Barbara Nicklaus' legacy

JACK NICKLAUS II: It's true. We love you.

BARABA NICKLAUS: I love you.

AS PIVOTAL A ROLE BARBARA NICKLAUS HAS PLAYED IN FOUNDING AND NURTURING THE MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT, IT'S HER UNWAVERING COMMITMENT TO CHILDREN'S HEALTH CARE, THAT TRULY DEFINES HER ENDURING LEGACY.

BARBARA NICKLAUS: I know most everybody who knows me has heard the story about our daughter. But when, Nan was 11 months old, she started choking and by the time I get her to the doctor or she actually came to the house, she'd be fine.

JACK NICKLAUS: Finally after about the 4th trip to the doctor, the doctor said we need to find out what's wrong with this young gal, we need to send her to the hospital. They found a shadow in her windpipe, went down to break up this thing, it turned out to be a blue crayon and we felt like that hospital Columbus Children's Hospital, now Nationwide, saved her life. After about 5 or 6 days sitting in the hospital, we finally said if we're ever in the position to help others, we wanted it to be children and that's why from day one at the memorial tournament it's benefited Nationwide Children's Hospital.

I don't think Barbara much looked at being philanthropy, I think she looked at it as helping kids.

JACK NICKLAUS II: Her biggest impact in the game of golf is using golf as a platform to go help others. the lives that she's touched and the children that today have a second chance, a better chance at life, I think that's the real impact that my mom's had.

NAN O'LEARY: She creates relationships with so many of the patients and it's not just while they are in the hospital, she texts them, she calls them, she facetimes them, she has a continuing relationship that goes on after they are out of the hospital.

BARBARA NICKLAUS: I think seeing smiles on the faces of all these patients; to see these little kids wrapping their arms around the doctors. Seeing the children and getting the care that they need is precious.

ANEEL BHUSRI: When Barabra walks into Nationwide's Hospital, it's not the first lady of golf walking in, it's the first lady of children. Barabra is the champion of that organization so I'm thrilled that Workday is a small part is supporting Nationwide Children's Hospital.

JACK NICKLAUS II: The giving back, the selflessness of Barbara Nicklaus shine when I think of my mom. If family is legacy, everyone mom has touched is her legacy. She gives everybody a love and a focus that is noticeable and really makes a difference.

REJOIN

WELCOME BACK TO CREDENTIAL, THE MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT PRESENTED BY WORKDAY.

JUSTIN ROSE & STEPHEN CURRY PRO-AM

STARTER: The amateurs in this group include Dell, Seth and Steph Curry. Our professional in this group has 11 PGA TOUR wins, including the 2010 Memorial Tournament. Please welcome Justin Rose.

JUSTIN ROSE: Do you remember, there was an amazing sort of circumstances, a while back, 2015.

STEPHEN CURRY: In San Francisco? Yeah, you were trying to buy somewhere in the city.

JUSTIN ROSE: Yeah, that was the wildest thing. The craziest thing was the week before, we watched you guys play in New Orleans. The ball wasn't going in for you but you kept shooting, kept running the process, kept shooting and then you lit it up towards the end of the game. Won the game obviously, playoff game. And then I was playing the final round with Fulch, my caddie Fulch. And I was starting the round, we were right in contention, the putts weren't falling, and he was like 'Hey remember Steph. Stay in your lane, stay focused, keep shooting, be free.' And guess what? The putts started falling towards the end of the round and I won the tournament. And then literally the next week, I bump into you on the street. The world works in mysterious ways.

STEPHEN CURRY: I love it man. You got to appreciate those moments for sure.

JUSTIN ROSE: That was fun.

STEPH CURRY: That's a good caddie talking right there.

JUSTIN ROSE: It was, yeah!

STEPHEN CURRY: Oh my God. Weed whacker. Yikes! That is difficult. What's up guys? How we doing? Just like that. Good swing.

I'm just glad I don't get paid to play this game. I actually play with the other round ball which is nice but I'm obsessed with golf, I love it. I love the history of the TOUR and what this place means and watch these pros go do what they do. Thankful to be able to spend a little time with my dad and my brother. Jack and Barbara as well, so they are the hometown heroes.

Thank you. Just like that!

THIRD ROUND – PART I

ANNC: Glorious sunshine at Muirfield Village Golf Club for the third round of the seventh of eight signature events on the PGA TOUR.

This is as challenging and stern a test as you'll find on the PGA TOUR and it's precisely what Mr. Nicklaus wants.

COMING OFF A SECOND ROUND 66, JACK'S PLACE GOT THE BEST OF FORMER CHAMPION JUSTIN ROSE ON MOVING DAY.

ANNC: Hasn't been real sharp all day today. Not what he was looking for, but he had a major bounce back from Thursday to Friday maybe he will do it again.

Scottie Scheffler the defending champion lurking again. Very possible from here for Scottie. If you include yesterday, he has made 16 straight pars.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Through 13 holes I felt like I was playing really good and I was only even par. I mean, around this golf course even par, I think, today would have been a pretty solid score.

ANNC: Ben Griffin has been the leader here from day one continuing his stellar play.

BEN GRIFFIN: I felt like I was starting to separate myself midway through and then kind of got to some tough holes and didn't execute very well and you can do that out here.

ANNC: He's just bogied the 10th hole backing up a bogie at the 9th as he leads Nick Taylor by 3.

COLLIN MORIKAWA CLOSE CALLS FEATURE

AS BEN GRIFFIN FOUGHT TO MAINTAIN HIS LEAD, COLLIN MORIKAWA BEGAN THE DAY JUST INSIDE THE TOP TEN, EAGER TO SHAKE OFF A TOUGH FRIDAY... AND REWRITE HIS STORY AT THE MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT, WHERE VICTORY HAS NARROWLY ELUDED HIM.

HOWEVER, THE 6 TIME TOUR WINNER HAS CLAIMED VICTORY AT THIS STORIED COURSE BEFORE.

ANNC: Could it be? Can you imagine what the noise would have been? Oh my goodness. Even Jack would have fallen out of his chair.

Straight back in the winner's circle, Collin Morikawa.

MORIKAWA'S WIN MARKED THE SECOND TITLE OF HIS CAREER. THOUGH IT CAME AT JACK'S PLACE, THE COVID ERA TOURNAMENT VICTORY DIDN'T COME WITH THE ICONIC HANDSHAKE FROM JACK NICKLAUS HIMSELF. A TRADITION RESERVED FOR MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONS.

COLLIN MORIKAWA: Anytime you have someone like Jack Nicklaus and his name associated with a tournament, you want to win it. Knowing that Jack will be there on the 18th hole just makes it that much more special to win.

ANNC: I don't care how battle tested you are, how acclaimed you are, how many tournaments you've won, this setting, with the tournament on the line, not only gets your attention but it's tense. Patrick Cantlay is the winner.

AFTER A NEAR MISS IN 2021, MORIKAWA WAS BACK IN THE HUNT LAST YEAR, ONLY TO ONCE AGAIN, FALL JUST SHORT.

COLLIN MORIKAWA: The birdie putt on 15, I missed really, really badly from like five feet. And then I made bogey on 16 and that doesn't mean I wasn't going to win, but at least I wasn't going to be giving him a shot. Hopefully sooner rather than later, we can have that final handshake with Jack.

You look back and realize how hard golf can be, it sucks because I would love to relive those moments.

AS MORIKAWA CONTINUES HIS PURSUIT OF A MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT WIN, HE'S ALSO CHASING HIS FIRST TOUR VICTORY IN NEARLY TWO YEARS. STILL THE SIGNS ARE PROMISING – HE'S TRENDING UPWARD WITH THREE TOP-10S THIS SEASON, INCLUDING TWO RUNNER-UP PERFORMANCES.

COLLIN MORIKAWA: Do I feel like I have been more in control of my game than in past years? Yes. Have I won? No. Overall, I feel like I've put in a decent body of work. Now it's like, how do I turn that switch a little bit higher? And say, let's go compete as hard as we can and see how many wins we can get by the end of the season.

THIRD ROUND – PART II

ANNC: Collin Morikawa this would be a scrambling par, dropped one already at the first, 2 lip outs on that left edge to start his round, not the start he was looking for by any means.

Collin had high hopes heading into this week and it has not materialized after a sensational first round.

MORIKAWA'S RETURN TO THE WINNER'S CIRCLE FEELS INEVITABLE—BUT THE COVETED HANDSHAKE FROM JACK NICKLAUS WILL HAVE TO WAIT AT LEAST ONE MORE YEAR.

ANNC: Sepp Straka five under par heading into 18 and this gets him to 6. Clean card 6-under 66.

SEPP STRAKA SURGED ON MOVING DAY, CLIMBING FROM A TIE FOR 31ST TO A SHARE OF 4TH.

SEPP STRAKA: It's one of those courses where there's a lot of volatility, and today I executed pretty well, judged my lies very well, and judged the wind very well, which I did not do the first two days.

ANNC: A round of 66 when the scoring average is 73.8.

Nick Taylor he's in 2nd alone just ahead of Scottie Scheffler. Kind of calmed the round down after the ugly start after back-to-back bogies.

NICK TAYLOR: It was tricky. I hit a lot of quality shots that were just not ending up in very good spots.

JUST AS NICK TAYLOR STEADIED THE SHIP, HE DROPPED 3 SHOTS ON THE 12TH AND 13TH HOLES, BUT THE CANADIAN FOUND REDEMPTION ON 14...

ANNC: Ho he's made it, oh Canada! An eagle 2 on the Golden Bear's favorite hole.

What a ride that was it look like he had lost his tournament. Way to hang in there for Nick, 74 today.

WHILE MOST WERE TREADING WATER AT MUIRFIELD VILLAGE, SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER CAUGHT FIRE ON THE FOURTEENTH.

ANNC: Beautifully holed Scheffler to 5 under.

HOLDING THE LEAD BEN GRIFFIN FOUND RELIEF WITH A PAIR OF BIRDIES ON FOURTEEN AND FIFTEEN.

ANNC: Dead center. 3 straight birdies, 4 straight bogies, now 2 straight birdies.

BEN GRIFFIN: I was really into shapes today, a lot of circles and a lot of squares... a few pars here and there.

WITH A TITLE DEFENSE IN SIGHT, SCHEFFLER MADE A STATEMENT FINISH.

ANNC: To tie the lead never a doubt! That looked a little bit like Jack in his prime, leading with the putter in his left arm. 4 birdies in his last 5 to finish.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER I just hit a lot of really good shots down the stretch, and gave myself a lot of good looks and was able to hole some there -- holed two really nice putts there on 17 and 18.

JACK NICKLAUS: That was good playing.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Thanks. Appreciate that.

JACK NICKLAUS: Good luck tomorrow.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Have fun tomorrow. See you guys.

ANNC: When Scottie has got the outright lead after 54 holes he has won 8 times in a row. 8 times in a row let that sink in for a minute.

CLOSING STANDUP

LAUREN WITHROW: It all comes down to this, the final round of the Memorial Tournament presented by Workday. Today one player will rise above the rest and earn a handshake with the legend himself, tournament founder and host, Jack Nicklaus... but Muirfield Village doesn't just handout wins. Since 2000, 18 tournaments have been decided by two strokes or fewer with six going to a playoff. If history tells us anything, whoever wants that trophy today, is going to have to earn it.

FINAL ROUND – PART I

ANNC: This is the day that you dial it up to hand out that trophy and we have a lot of drama lined up here on championship Sunday.

Scottie Scheffler prepared to walk into history once again but looks who's right there with him, Ben Griffin another player who is red hot.

Course is much more receptive its playing about 2 shots easier on average than what it did yesterday maybe someone can make a run from down in the pack.

44-YEAR-OLD BRANDT SNEDEKER TOOK ADVANTAGE OF THE CONDITIONS TO LAUNCH INTO THE TOP TEN.

ANNC: How about this round for Brandt Snedeker. He matches the low round of the week 65. It posts the number to get a spot in The Open Championship.

BRANDT SNEDEKER: When you have these days it reaffirms that, hey man, I know what I'm doing. There's a reason why I've been out here for a long time.

AS SNEDEKER SIGNED HIS SCORE CARD, THE FINAL GROUP TEED OFF FOR THE TITLE.

ANNC: These 2 multiple winners are side by side. Scheffler pars the first, Griffin makes bogie at one but has hit it close at the second.

This to get it back recover it right away. Griffin with a birdie 3 on the second back within one.

BEN GRIFFIN: This is obviously one of the toughest tests we have on TOUR and I was just excited for each individual shot, and I think I've come a long ways mentally and physically to allow myself to do that.

BEN GRIFFIN SUCCESS MINI FEATURE

ANNC: And it's worth the wait for Ben Griffin and Andrew Novak. They team up for their first win on the PGA TOUR.

BEN GRIFFIN: Someone said I'm the hottest golfer on the PGA TOUR. I mean, I feel like I'm playing right now with a ton of confidence.

ANNC: His dream comes true! He made that like it was nothing at all.

BEN GRIFFIN: It's crazy how fast things can change in this game. Even going back to when I didn't have any status on any sort of tours. Now, I'm at the point where I feel like I'm starting to show that I am an elite golfer. I can compete against the best. I don't know if I necessarily would have felt that maybe a year ago, but I just feel like I'm in a really good place with my golf game.

ANNC: Ben, certainly a different player. Different headspace than he was two years ago, with all his recent success.

BEN GRIFFIN: There's not a stage that's too big for me anymore. Now that I've experienced it and I've competed against the best players in the world and had success, there's nothing from a mental standpoint that's going to block me from trying to win. It's a tournament, there's a trophy every single week. Obviously, this maybe is a little bit bigger stage being Jack's event, a lot of, you know, history on this golf course, it's a Signature Event, a lot of points to play for. I'm excited to battle against Scottie, and I don't think there's a moment too big.

FINAL ROUND – PART II

ANNC: Oh my goodness exactly like 18 yesterday. That one stings a little bit.

AS GRIFFIN'S PUTTER COOLED OFF ON THE FRONT NINE...

ANNC: Another nice touch, boy can he chip, what can't he do?

...SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER HEATED UP.

ANNC: His first birdie of the round, now in front by 2.

WHILE SCHEFFLER TIGHTENED HIS GRIP ON THE LEAD, NICK TAYLOR SLIPPED ON THE BACK NINE, ULTIMATELY SETTLING INTO FOURTH PLACE.

ANNC: One of the best finishes by a Canadian here. Mike Weir the best. In the first 50 years, Mike was second back in 2008.

JUST AHEAD OF TAYLOR, SEPP STRAKA LOCKED IN A THIRD PLACE FINISH, HIS FIFTH TOP FIVE THIS SEASON, INCLUDING TWO VICTORIES.

ANNC: This guy can play right here, Sepp Straka, he's in with a round of 70.

SEPP STRAKA: The more times you can put yourself in pressure situations late on Sundays, those are generally times when you learn something. Scottie's really good at it. I'm sure he's learned a lot over the years of how to deal with those situations and the pressure that comes with it.

ANNC: Scheffler 9-under and now has nine holes to go.

FINAL ROUND – PART III

ANNC: Scheffler with a 2 shot lead here on the par 4 tenth.

Scottie's not laughing now as he had tree issues there at 10.

AS THE LEADERS OF THE MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT MADE THE TURN, A TOUGH APPROACH HAD SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER SEARCHING TO SAVE PAR.

ANNC: Keep the par streak going. Aimed straight he can't believe it either. He has just a one-shot lead.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: After the bogey on 10, you know, making that putt on 11 was definitely an important moment in the tournament.

ANNC: This for birdie, Scheffler to 9 under. That was really, really good stuff there.

BEN GRIFFIN: That was a big moment for him. I had just gotten one back on 10, and so I was within a shot and then those three holes in a row where I lost a shot to him on every hole was tough.

ANNC: There's another shot dropped

TRAILING SCHEFFLER BY FOUR STROKES HEADING INTO THE FINAL STRETCH, BEN GRIFFIN DUG DEEP.

BEN GRIFFIN: I told my caddie I needed to make an eagle or two to beat him. I knew I needed to go at least 4-under or 5-under on the final stretch, and so yeah, proud of myself for staying aggressive there.

ANNC: Great job there by Ben Griffin. Lead's just 3 now.

ANNC: Look out, what a putt! Eagle, birdie the last 2 holes, Ben Griffin says it's not over yet Scottie.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I had a four-shot lead standing on 15 tee and then I birdied 15, pared 16 which is not bad golf and then all of a sudden it was a two-shot lead. I hit the fairway on 17,

hit the green, gave myself a good look and then Ben put it in the rough on 17, which makes that hole extremely difficult, and paid the price for an errant tee shot.

ANNC: Way left, that is up near the cart path, deep into the gallery.

BEN GRIFFIN: 17 sucked. You know, there's not much you can do. It's just a really tough golf course when you get out of position.

ANNC: Disappointing way to finish it off. He'll head to the last, 4 behind.

GRIFFIN'S LATE FOLLY, POSITIONED SCHEFFLER ON THE VERGE OF TITLE DEFENSE.

ANNC: The man is a machine! Scottie Scheffler the repeat champion at Jack's event! Greatness recognizes greatness.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER POSTROUND

JACK NICKLAUS: Young fella, do it again! Congratulations.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Thanks I appreciate it. Thanks so much. That was fun, yeah.

AMANDA BALIONIS: What's it like to be able to shake Jack's hand in back-to-back years as this tournament's champion?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yeah, it's pretty cool. It's always a hard week, this week. I mean, it's so challenging to play this tournament. I battled really hard over the weekend and you know, Ben made things interesting down the stretch and overall it was a great week and defiantly proud to be shaking Mr. Nicklaus' hand.

ANNC: Folks get used to this a lot more of this to come. Joining Tiger as the only one to ever win it in consecutive years. Right now, it's all about that guy right there!

JACK NICKLAUS: Well it's a young man who not only won this tournament last year, but he managed all those four days this year. He does what he has to do. Come on up here Scottie, congratulations.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Thank you. Thank you very much

JACK NICKLAUS: Do you want to say a couple words?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yes sir. To the Nicklaus family, thank you all so much for, for being great for the game of golf but also being a family we can all look up to. Mrs. Nicklaus, thanks for keeping him in line all these years. I'm sure it had it's challenges. Thank you for being just such great people.

JACK NICKLAUS: I'm going to get one finger on it.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yeah.

Bennett, can you say hi?

MERIDETH SCHEFFLER: Do you remember them from last year?

JACK NICKLAUS: How old is he now?

MERIDETH: A year and a month.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yeah, 13 months

It means a lot to us as players to have your support and to be your partners through all this. It's been a lot of fun and we hope we can be partners for many more years and once again, thank you all for a great week and see you next year.

Sweet!