A1 – COLD OPEN

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: It's fun being back here in Hilton Head. We have some special memories here from last year's tournament.

The opening ceremony was fun. It's a cool tradition here at this tournament, and it's definitely unique to this one. Amazing the crowd they were able to get for that.

It was definitely the first time I've also hit a tee shot while the cannon is going off, so that was a unique experience.

A2 – THE CUT TITLES

WELCOME TO PGA TOUR THE CUT.

A3 – WHAT'S IN THE BAG: DENNY McCARTHY

DENNY MCCARTHY: Hey, I'm Danny McCarthy, and this is what's in my bag. I've got the new Ping g440. I used to be a pretty high lofted guy. This is actually a seven and a half degree head. I think they said it's at eight degrees. I put a little longer shaft tonight. I'm using about a 45.5in shaft this year.

I picked up a little distance. Yeah, this club's been great for me. I really like how I've driven out so far this year. Three what? I put an older three wood in the bag actually a couple of weeks ago specifically for Augusta. It's a little longer shaft, a little hotter head. I don't know exactly what the loft is.

I just know it's it's a hot three wood, and I like I like the sound of it. It kind of sounds like a wooden baseball bat to me. Another .sweet head cover. UVA. Go hoos. Five Wood. There's my dog. Do you know Colony Hotel? It's where my wife and I had our rehearsal dinner. Our dogs are welcome there, so I got Gino on the bag.

Qi10 five wood titleist t400 iron. And this has been this has been a main staple. Even though I've tested multiple irons, this one has been tough to get out of the bag. I've had this for, you know, probably almost three years now. I really like how it flies. I'm able to hit it really high and also bring it down.

Can hit all the little shots with it. Kind of just does everything I want, which is why it's been hard to get out of the bag I started. There is some search on irons, but these Mizuno s3's have been great. I love the bevel on the leading edge. It kind of goes to the ground really nice and clean.

Gets in there and gets out of there quickly, and then I go 51 degrees, SM ten, 55.5, 56 M grind. And then I've, I've always just used an L grind slight modification a little more, a little grind on

the back, a little more heel relief, the trusty go low. I probably got about ten of these, and I really only travel with 1 or 2.

I got my first one back in college. I want to say my second year of college, back in 2012. And I've used this putter basically for 13 years. So I use a thin tip Sharpie. So I get my line really nice and square, and I draw a shamrock on it. I'm pretty picky. Us golfers are weird.

I wouldn't say I'm superstitious, just a little stitious. Michael. Michael Scott, the office. But there you go. That's what's, That's what's in my bag. It's been, pretty consistent lately, and hopefully it stays that way.

<u>A4 – RBC HERITAGE WINNER</u>

ANNC: Golf taking place here at Harbour Town, where the PGA TOUR has visited since the late 1960s.

ANNC: Here at the 4th, Justin Thomas ... this is gonna take every ounce of imagination that he has to get this close ... he's gonna be really happy, right Aaron? That is fantastic!

JUSTIN THOMAS: It's a place that rewards good golf, but it can really, really penalize you and you can make bogeys so fast if you get out of position.

ANNC: Gets it to go! What a par that is right there.

ANNC: Justin Thomas takes the lead here midway through the final round of the RBC Heritage. Would be his first win as a father.

ANNC: Yes sir! Finally got one to go. It's been a long wait since the 8th.

ANNC: Playoff time, folks; Thomas and Novak heading for extra holes!

JUSTIN THOMAS: I felt like I had my read a little bit outside the left of it being straight and falling right, and I just committed to that and really tried to put a good stroke with good speed on it.

ANNC: Is it the winning putt? Here it comes! Yes it is! Justin Thomas, back in the winner's circle!

WITH HIS VICTORY, JUSTIN THOMAS MOVED INSIDE OF THE COMCAST BUSINESS TOUR TOP 10, FROM 11^{TH} TO 2^{ND} , THANKS TO HIS CONSISTENT AND RELIABLE PERFORMANCE ...

A5 –WINNER WALK

ANNC: He's got his first win as a father. Those reactions right there, that's why you put all the work in.

JUSTIN THOMAS NATS: Thanks, dad.

MIKE THOMAS NATS: That was so cool.

JUSTIN THOMAS NATS: It was.

JUSTIN THOMAS: I was really proud today of just staying patient. I feel like winning on a golf course like this is a pretty cool thing to add to your resume.

JUSTIN THOMAS NATS: One word to describe this win ... happiness.

JUSTIN THOMAS: When the ball went in, it was pure joy. I-it was joy. I just was so happy. I couldn't stop smiling.

JUSTIN THOMAS NATS: Cheers.

JUSTIN THOMAS NATS: That's so good.

JUSTIN THOMAS NATS: Thank you.

A6 – FEDEXCUP STANDINGS

2017 FEDEXCUP CHAMPION, JUSTIN THOMAS, TRAILS RORY McILROY BY 764 POINTS IN THE FEDEXCUP STANDINGS, WELL POSITIONED FOR A RUN AT A SECOND SEASON-LONG TITLE.

A7 – THE CLIMB

THE CUT PRESENTS, THE CLIMB.

IN THE 20-18 RBC HERITAGE, SATOSHI KODAIRA WAS TIED FOR 82nd FOLLOWING A 2-OVER OPENING ROUND, BUT BOUNCED BACK ON FRIDAY ...

ANNC: Satoshi Kodaira started the day at 2-over, so he's 7 under for the day! I'm guessing he came out with a little different attitude today after shooting a couple over yesterday.

WITH 8 BIRDIES AND NO BOGEYS, KODAIRA CLIMBED UP THE LEADERBOARD INTO A TIE FOR 13TH AFTER THE SECOND ROUND ...

ANNC: That is some putt and some day. Out in 32, in in 31. Started at 2 over and is at 6 under, so four off the lead right now for Satoshi.

FOLLOWING A 1-UNDER THIRD ROUND ... AND A 5-UNDER, 66 ON SUNDAY, KODAIRA EARNED HIS WAY INTO A PLAYOFF ...

ANNC: Pitching wedge, from much flatter lie than he had in regulation, straight down wind. Oh, that is very impressive.

ANNC: This has been the goal, is to play the PGA TOUR, and he would get that chance with the victory.

ON THE THIRD PLAYOFF HOLE, KODAIRA COMPLETED THE COMEBACK ...

ANNC: Satoshi Kodaira is our champion here in the 50th playing of RBC Heritage. And that young man from Tokyo, Japan is extremely happy. He has made the PGA TOUR.

B1 – CORALES PUNTACANA CHAMPIONSHIP INBUMP

ANNC: Another picturesque day in the Dominican Republic.

ANNC: Joel Dahmen is a winner on the PGA TOUR for the first time!

JOEL DAHMEN: It's so frickin' hard to win a golf tournament!

ANNC: Beautiful golf course, obviously set right on the ocean.

ANNC: Chad Ramey!

ANNC: Matt Wallace!

ANNC: Horschel wins in record setting fashion!

BILLY HORSCHEL: I went down to Corales for one reason and one reason only, to win.

B2 – ON THE RANGE: ALDRICH POTGIETER

ALDRICH POTGIETER: With setup, I get a little, feet go left and body goes right. So, I just try to square everything up, especially with my left shoulder, trying to get that basically square with my feet. Trying to hit up on the ball, but not get behind it. Getting up, but getting through the ball.

ANNC: Folks, get ready to watch something special; Potgieter with driver at 17. Hit it over this green yesterday; 386-yard drive. Flies it just off the front edge today. This guy has some serious ball speed. The longest hitter on the PGA TOUR, by the statistics anyway, this year.

ANNC: Just spectacular. Huge rotation, strong lower body.

PRODUCER: What does a max-effort drive look like for you?

ALDRICH POTGIETER: If the wind's down off the right, that's perfect scenario for me to hit some harder shots. Wind off the right, I can hit it a little harder. If the spins up, it's not going to keep fading because I usually hit a little baby fade.

It's basically the same swing. It's just swinging it a little quicker. But just trying to stay balanced. That's the big thing and just trying to stay in control still.

The more up I hit it, the more straight the ball will go. But the more down I hit it, the start line would be better, but it could fade a little bit more. Kind of have to play around with that medium, in between shot where I can tee it low, but still hit a little up on it. So, trying to get that in between.

I'm pretty sure in my pre-show routine, you'll see me put in the tee and then step back, make sure that's exactly the same height. That's just more for contact on the face than anything. Get the right window and make the right contact.

Most on the range of driver, it's kind of making a fairway. Like here, this is probably in between the red and that yellow is probably the fairway I'd want to hit.

It's nice to have a range where I can actually hit drive as well. If I'm on the driving range, it's pretty much the same thing every day. If I struggle with driver, it'll be basically, sometimes I'll hit it till I get it right. Stay in the same swing thought; just hitting the same shot. Doesn't matter what the range winds doing. It's going to be different on the course. Into the wind, I try to hit it a little lower, but I feel like if I change my swing that I put on the driver, it kind of moves the ball around the face a little bit when I make contact. So, I find if I hit a good shot, it's going through the wind with the ball speed that I have. So, if I just hit a normal drive, it should be cutting through that wind for the first half as well.

<u>B3 – CORALES PUNTACANA CHAMPIONSHIP WINNER</u>

ANNC: It's go time this Easter Sunday as we're pleased to have you with us at the final round of the Corales Puntacana Championship. This is going to be a fun one!

ANNC: Higgo cashes it!

GARRICK HIGGO: Anybody that plays the game competitively knows how hard it is to change even just one thing, so to have changed everything, deal with injuries and then kind of come out and start hitting the shots that I know I can hit under pressure was unbelievable.

ANNC: Higgo to tie it up ... we have a co-leader at 16-under. Garrick Higgo looking very solid through the first 10 holes.

ANNC: I like the way he's going about everything. Just doesn't seem at all phased by the moment.

GARRICK HIGGO: The journey, you know, like I'm going to go through a down again, everybody does, I'm going to have ups. I think it's just, I just truly enjoy the journey.

ANNC: Misses on the left side! Garrick Higgo, a long journey back for his second win on the PGA TOUR!

GARRICK HIGGO: It's definitely a bit of a relief. Obviously, it was definitely hard to take, you know, finishing 135 on the FedEx last year, but this is unbelievable and this is why I play the game.

ANNC: At this stage in his career, a lifeline back on the PGA TOUR.

GARRICK HIGGO: I'm more comfortable here and I think this time around it will be different. I think I'm going to keep going and keep playing well.

C1 – REJOIN

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C2 – PATHWAY TO PROGRESSION – EPISODE 2

BRADFORD WILSON: Every time I get invited to one of these things, it feels like the first time. I'm excited. This is the Bridgestone HBCU Invitational. Pathway to Progression program is the leading program for expanding the diversity of the game. It's not just about giving opportunities to underprivileged and underrepresented groups in golf, but it's also getting them access to people who are already working in the field. Who are creators, or entrepreneurs, or celebrities who are golf enthusiasts. This is truly the best example of how to integrate both worlds.

JUSTIN BAKER: From an outside-the-ropes perspective, the pathway to career panel is crucial because not all of these students are going to go and have a professional golf career, so we want to make sure that they know that there is another route in terms of being involved with the sport that you love.

CARMEN FLETCHER: I started playing golf when I was seven years old. When I'm not in season, I'm probably caddying at a golf course. So, just kind of talking to members; being a guide for them is my job. It teaches me a way to be patient with my own game. You know, I see what I struggle with through them. And at the same time, I see a way to channel it when I'm playing.

NATS: So, swing speed is averaging at about 117. It says that XS is the recommended ball. So, what we're going to do is we are going to add the XS and then have you hit it. But I do believe that a X is going to be a better ball than the XS, but let's take a look, ok?

SARA CORREA: Bridgestone believes that every space, including the game of golf, our players and our fans, should represent the communities where we move, live, work and play. And I think the opportunities from a sport perspective to have skills that you build on the course and then translate those into life skills and business skills off the course is just immeasurable.

DJ BELCHER: I started playing golf when I was about 6-years-old. The thing I love about golf is the patience and just how mind clearing it is.

JUSTIN BAKER: From a competitive aspect, it's about player development. So, we want to make sure that they get to play unique golf courses that they typically wouldn't get to go out to.

JUSTIN BAKER: Today, we've got round one of the Bridgestone HBCU Invitational where the 15 teams will compete. We've got 10 men, 5 women.

NATS: Tigers on three; 1-2-3 Tigers!

JUSTIN BAKER: They'll compete to earn a chance to come down to TPC Sawgrass for an HBCU Performance experience also presented by Bridgestone. They'll be playing 36 holes today. Continuous, shotgun start. And then we'll have the final round, round three, 18 holes, teeing off on two tees.

QUINCY HEARD: The golf course has plenty of opportunities to score out there, but if you're not paying attention, it might jump up and bite you. We just have to remain patient and stay committed to our process and let the chips fall where they may.

NATS: Welcome to the final round of the Bridgestone HBCU Invitational.

MIKE RICE: We jumped out strong, had a really good first 18 holes. I felt like we were in a really good place.

MIKE RICE NATS: Be yourself, make sure you have fun. You guys are the ones that are going to bring it together.

MIKE RICE: As long as we keep it in play we have a good chance.

KENYATTA RAMSEY NATS: First on the tee, form Florida A&M, please welcome Sascha Robinson.

QUINCY HEARD: We know that we're right there. The mistakes that we had yesterday are correctable and if we can stay committed to our process and the things that we talk about all the time, we'll see where we end up at the end of the day.

NATS: There you go, Sascha; good one.

NATS: The individual winner of the 2024 Bridgestone HBCU Invitational is Morgan Horrell from Howard University!

MORGAN HORELL: Today was a great learning opportunity. I was just grateful to have a lead to where, even though I was experiencing all this stress and emotions, I was still able to pull it off. I'm just proud of the entire team's ability to continue to learn and get better, especially in environments like this.

NATS: We have a young man from Florida A&M, Sascha Robinson!

SASCHA ROBINSON: There's so much talent among the HBCU schools and it feels great to get on top. It's a great opportunity to come out here and play against the best.

KENYATTA RAMSEY NATS: It takes a village to make things like this happen and it takes a lot of good people. This is just the beginning of the success we're going to have together with this organization.

<u>D1 – ZURICH CLASSIC OF NEW ORLEANS INBUMP</u>

ANNC: A couple major champions, Rory McIlroy and Shane Lowry.

ANNC: Two guys that were friends and competitors growing up, and they partner up for the first time.

ANNC: Rory can drive it so well and Shane, good with the irons.

ANNC: Spectacular shot from Lowry.

ANNC: They came here as the favorites and they did not disappoint.

ANNC: What a three!

ANNC: You could tell that the chemistry that these two had was a big part of their success this tournament week.

ANNC: McIlroy and Lowry win the Zurich Classic!

D2 – ZURICH CLASSIC OF NEW ORLEANS FORMAT

LAUREN WITHROW: This is The Drop, presented by Servpro. I'm Lauren Withrow here inside PGA TOUR Studios, where we are gearing up to launch a brand new show about everything PGA TOUR. Starting May 5th, you're going to learn about all the TOUR's best storylines – past, present, and future.

Let's take a blast to the past with a quick history lesson. From 1860 to 1870, The Open Championship winner was awarded the Challenge Belt, but when young Tom Morris won it for a third-consecutive season, the rules stated he got to keep the belt forever. The belt was then replaced by the Claret Jug, and no tournament awarded winners a belt until 147 years later. In

2017, the Zurich Classic reintroduced the championship belt and awarded it to the team champions.

BILLY HORSCHEL: That belt's pretty cool.

THE ZURICH CLASSIC OF NEW ORLEANS' CHAMPIONSHIP BELTS HAVE BECOME SYNONYMOUS WITH THE TOURNAMENT SINCE THEIR INTRODUCTION IN 2017 ...

DAVIS RILEY: You get the gator skin belt. You know, obviously, it kind of fits the bayou, swamp vibes. So you got the big belt buckle.

BILLY HORSCHEL: I've got some really nice crystal trophies and, and a few other things, but that belt something unique in its own.

THE CHAMPIONSHIP BELTS ARE AN ADDED BONUS FOR PLAYERS WHO HAVE EMBRACED, AND THRIVED, IN THE TEAM FORMAT ...

RORY McILROY: I just thought it would be fun to do, you know, going and playing here with a friend.

SAM BURNS: We can go out there and have a good time. We enjoy getting to hang out.

COLLIN MORIKAWA: His golf speaks wonders. I mean, very lucky to have him as a partner. I'm very excited.

ANNC: The Zurich Classic has become a far more popular tournament since it became a team event.

MAX HOMA: Nice change of pace. Getting to play for FedExCup points is pretty, pretty awesome.

ANNC: Nick Hardy and Davis Riley move a step closer to their first career PGA TOUR victories.

DAVIS RILEY: I think we just pair so well together because our games are very similar.

ANNC: Bayou brilliance for Schauffele and Cantlay!

PATRICK CANTLAY: We definitely bring out the best in each other. And we really enjoy being out here together and in a format like this, it's the best.

SHANE LOWRY: Professional golf, year in year out, it's, a bit of a grind sometimes when you're on your own a lot. So, it's nice to have something different.

ANNC: And it's an Irish party in New Orleans!

NATS: Anywhere!

LAUREN WITHROW: After last year's win, Rory McIlroy and Shane Lowry celebrated by belting out the Journey tune, 'Don't Stop Believing.' Watch for them to team up again this week in New Orleans in hopes of belting out a new song.

The drop is presented by Servpro like it never even happened.

<u>D3 – TV TIMES</u>

MASTERS CHAMPION RORY McILROY RETURNS TO THE GOLF COURSE ALONGSIDE PARTNER, SHANE LOWRY, TO TRY AND DEFEND THEIR ZURICH CLASSIC OF NEW ORLEANS TITLE, IN THE ONLY TEAM EVENT OF THE PGA TOUR SEASON.

D4 – NEW ORLEANS FLAVOR BUMP

ANNC: We are back on the Bayou! We've had record crowds here at TPC Louisiana. And it's the only team event on the PGA TOUR schedule.

NICO ECHAVARRIA: The format is super cool, the venue is unbelievable, and the partner was great.

ANNC: We've seen it all – birdies ... eagles ... gators!

MARK HUBBARD: This is a fun week. I wish we did more stuff like this on TOUR.

ANNC: In a city that enjoys it's smooth jazz, oysters, beignets, and golf are all on the menu this afternoon.

RORY McILROY: It's a cool city, great food scene.

ANNC: The PGA TOUR is in New Orleans and so is Rory McIlroy!