A1 – COLD OPEN – SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER'S EDGE

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: When I'm focused on just competing, I think that's when I play my best. And so, I think that will be my edge is when I get kind of immersed in the, in the joy of competition and going out there and playing and doing what I love is typically when I play my best golf.

A2 – THE CUT TITLES

WELCOME TO PGA TOUR, THE CUT.

A3 – SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER WINS 2025 PGA CHAMPIONSHIP

ANNC: I mean, how you gonna beat him?

ON SUNDAY, SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER ONCE AGAIN PULLED AWAY FROM THE FIELD AND WON THE PGA CHAMPIONSHIP BY FIVE SHOTS, AND CLAIMED THE THIRD MAJOR CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE OF HIS CAREER ...

JUSTIN THOMAS: His golf game...it's just very right in front of you, fairway green, give himself a lot of birdie opportunities and just doesn't make many mistakes. If he makes a mistake he's proven that he's not likely to make many more.

ANNC: You just gotta put it behind you. Scheffler is the best in the business at that kind of stuff. He'll miss one but by the time he's ready to hit his next shot, he's ready to go

ANNC: You never see Scottie Scheffler that upset where it affects the next shot.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: That's something that I've developed over time. I was a bit too emotional on the golf course growing up. You know, I'd get pretty frustrated with myself, and it would definitely have an effect on my game. And over time, maturing as a player and a person...

COLLIN MORIKAWA: He's just so competitive that he can kind of forget about everything else and just want to execute those shots and beat everyone.

ANNC: He just does every facet of the game well.

SAHITH THEEGALA: It's pretty remarkable to see what he's doing. It just inspires all of us. And inspires me for sure.

ANNC: This guy keeps rolling along with a measure of consistency that is mind boggling.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I'm very fortunate to have the support system that I do at home. They've all worked extremely hard to put me in this position where I can go out and compete and have fun and win or lose, they're going to be there after the round. That's huge for me.

SCHEFFLER JOINS JACK NICKLAUS AND TIGER WOODS AS THE ONLY PLAYERS WITH 15 PGA TOUR VICTORIES, INCLUDING THREE MAJORS, BEFORE THE AGE OF 29 ...

A4 – FEDEXCUP STANDINGS

AND JUMPS 12 POINTS AHEAD OF RORY McILROY TO TAKE OVER THE TOP SPOT IN THE FEDEXCUP STANDINGS ... HERE IS MORE ANALYSIS ON SCHEFFELER'S PERFORMANCE

A5 – PGA CHAMPIONSHIP ANALYSIS

ALEX O'LAUGHLIN: Scottie Scheffler, you were with him in that group on Thursday – Rory, Xander – did you know at that point that that would be the guy that would hold the trophy? He said he wasn't even playing his best golf?

MATT EVERY: Well, you're not wrong about that. Thursday with that group we had. Boy, there was all the hype in the world leading up to, to the opening round, and all three of them kind of came out flat, but it was interesting when the, when the day got done, you looked at the scores and the other two, their scores kind of indicated how they played. Scottie ended up at 2-under par and it was, it looked like 1-or-2 over. And I was talking to a buddy right after and I go dude, 2-under par, I mean, five is leading, this guy's right where he wants to be. That was like his, his C-game that he had on Thursday. And then just throughout the week, the cream started to rise.

CELIA PALERMO: Yeah, Matt, the ability to score when you don't have your best stuff is huge. Statistically, third rounds are usually Scottie's worst based on his scoring average. So, considering that, how big was his finishing five holes, finishing at 5-under par to set himself up going into the final round with a lead, giving himself a little bit of extra breathing room, especially knowing how he started on the front nine?

MATT EVERY: It was huge, Celia. I mean, you know, Scottie, he's, he's showed, showed glimpses of really good stuff this year, especially early in golf tournaments. This was leading up to the, to the, to the, the Byron Nelson where he just blitzed the field. But he's ... it was huge. Jon Rahm, when he got done on Saturday, thought he was going to be one back. That closing stretch, 16, 17, 18 – even 14 and 15 – they're not exactly gimme birdies. I mean they're opportunities. But 16, 17, 18, you know Scottie was on, I believe, 14 or 15 when Rahm was doing his presser and saying, I'm going to be one back next, looks like I'm going to be about one back heading into tomorrow. Next thing you know, he's, he's five back of Scottie going into, into Sunday. The breathing room was huge for, for Scheffler, that's for sure. Rough start, but I just think all in all, the guy just finds a way to climb the board.

B1 – CHARLES SCHWAB CHALLENGE HISTORIC TEASE

ANNC: Colonial Country Club, a place that is so steeped in history.

ANNC: Perfect!

ANNC: Affectionally dubbed Hogan's Alley.

ANNC: Still on line, got it!

ANNC: Oh, what a putt?! He got it!

ANNC: So many of the greats in the game have hoisted the hardware.

<u>B2 – EMILIANO GRILLO – WALL OF CHAMPIONS</u>

ANNC: He has been perfect from that range this week! 8 years since his last win and 8 years was more than enough for Grillo.

ANNC: The two says it all.

EMILIANO GRILLO: It means everything to me. I work very hard all year, but it's so worth it.

BARRY SMITH: Barry Smith, welcome home. How's everything?

EMILIANO GRILLO: It's the first time seeing my name on that wall, so a lot of great memories come rushing back. I remember the first time that I saw Roberto's on the wall. He obviously paved the way for a lot of us, I would say for two or three generations of players. He paved the way for a lot of players who then paved the way for me. So, I'm thrilled to add another Argentine name to the history of this tournament. I used to look at his name all the time. Now I will look at mine too. It's definitely a bonus looking at it before I play each round here. It's a tournament I've always loved. I always want to come back, now more than ever that I can wear this jacket.

B3 – COLONIAL COUNTRY CLUB COURSE RESTORATION

EMILIANO GRILLO WAS THE FINAL CHAMPION AT THE ORIGINAL COLONIAL COUNTRY CLUB. NOW, IN 2025, THE TOUR RETURNS TO THE NEWLY RENOVATED GROUNDS FOR ONLY THE SECOND TIME.

GIL HANSE: The original architects, John Bredemus and Perry Maxwell thought about trying to keep the features lower to the ground and maximizing whatever topography they had on the site and so this restoration embraces that thought process. The restoration of those features is truly exciting. Getting the greens back down on the ground is also an exciting aspect of this. Trying to get the golf course to look a little bit more like the golf course that Mr. Hogan played when he was here and the original design of the golf course. Combine all of those things and I think we're going to bring the qualities of this site back to the forefront, but we're also going to enhance the playability of the golf course.

GIL HANSE: It was a Herculean effort. I don't want to try and make it sound like we cured cancer or anything but it was a lot of work and it was a lot to try and get it ready. So that's what's going to hit me. I mean I obviously love watching these guys play golf and love watching them tackle the challenges we've put in front of them but I think it's going to be on a more personal level just along the lines of the thank you to all the members of the team who got it done.

RYAN PALMER: The colonial membership should be very, very thankful. I know I am blessed at this golf course what we're going to have to play. I think guys are in for a treat. I think Charles Schwab, the fans, I think they're going to see a beautiful golf course. A golf course that's going to be challenging and the TOUR's going to love it.

B4 – PLAYERS TO WATCH – CHARLES SCHWAB CHALLENGE

AS THE PGA TOUR RETURNS TO TEXAS, HERE ARE THE PLAYERS THAT THE CUT WILL BE WATCHING ...

2024 CHARLES SCHWAB CHALLENGE CHAMPION, DAVIS RILEY, WAS THE FIRST TO WIN ON COLONIAL'S NEW LOOK ...

ANNC: Welcome to the Wall of Champions!

RILEY RETURNS TO TRY TO DEFEND HIS TITLE, FRESH OFF OF A RUNNER-UP FINISH IN THE PGA CHAMPIONSHIP ...

BEHIND SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER, WHO HAS TWO SECONDS AND ONE THIRD-PLACE FINISH IN THE LAST THREE YEARS AT COLONIAL, AND WILL TRY FOR HIS SECOND TITLE IN TEXAS THIS SEASON ...

ANNC: Scottie wins for the first time this year! And it comes in the event he attended as a kid.

THE HOMETOWN HERO LEADS THE PGA TOUR IN SEVERAL STATISTICAL CATEGORIES THIS SEASON, AND THE LAST TIME HE WON A MAJOR CHAMPIONSHIP, HE WON THE NEXT WEEK AT THE 20-24 RBC HERITAGE ...

FELLOW TEXAN, JORDAN SPIETH, WON THE CHARLES SCHWAB CHALLENGE IN 20-16 AND HAS THREE RUNNER-UP FINISHES IN THE EVENT ...

AND ROUNDING OUT OUR LIST IS ENGLAND'S TOMMY FLEETWOOD, WHO RANKS 9TH ON TOUR IN STROKES GAINED TOTAL, AND HAS EIGHT TOP-25 FINISHES IN 10 STARTS THIS SEASON, INCLUDING TWO TOP-10s IN HIS LAST THREE STARTS.

C1 – REJOIN

WHILE SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER CAPTURED HIS THIRD MAJOR TITLE, HERE'S HOW A FEW NOTABLE PLAYERS FINISHED AT QUAIL HOLLOW ...

C2 – 2025 PGA CHAMPIONSHIP NOTABLES

AFTER BATTLING TO MAKE THE CUT WITH A SECOND-ROUND 69, RORY McILROY'S BID AT A SECOND-STRAIGHT MAJOR ULTIMATELY FELL SHORT, FINISHING IN A TIE FOR 47TH...

WHILE 36-HOLE LEADER, JHONATTAN VEGAS, AND CANADA'S TAYLOR PENDRITH, BOTH NOTCHED CAREER-BEST MAJOR FINISHES IN TIE FOR $5^{\rm TH}$...

AND DEFENDING PGA CHAMPION, XANDER SCHAUFFELE, FINISHED IN A TIE FOR 28TH ... BUT ONE YEAR AGO, QUAIL HOLLOW WAS A PIVOTAL PLACE IN HIS CAREER-CHANGING SEASON.

C3 - XANDER SCHAUFFELE - EMBEDDED EP. 5

ANNC: Xander still in search of that first major championship.

XANDER SCHAUFFELE: Mentally it was more of the hurdle.

ANNC: Many of us felt like he would have won a major already. Everyone says it's just a matter of time before he wins and you have to believe that.

AUSTIN KAISER: When you are the best golfer that hasn't won a major it takes a toll on you, it adds more pressure you are just like, I need to get one, I need to get one, I need to get one.

XANDER SCHAUFFELE: I always say, knock on the door till you beat it down. When you're in the thick of it, you have to walk through the fires. It gets hot, it gets uncomfortable. But if you're trying to get to the top and beat everyone, you've got to do it.

AUSTIN KAISER: Quail Hollow was a big week. I don't know if we win that event, we win the PGA to be honest.

ANNC: What a day for Xander Schauffele. 64 for the leader and a two-shot right back at it here at Quail Hollow in 2024.

SCHAUFFELE: I got my teeth kicked in there in the final round but started hitting some shots that I felt, you know, as a pro, you're like, 'holy smokes.' Maybe I've never even seen myself hit these shots.

ANNC: Aggressive. Why wouldn't you be? So much confidence right now.

XANDER SCHAUFFELE: Even though I got absolutely rinsed, final round, I was extremely confident going into Valhalla and felt like this is a really nice place for my game to be in, going into a major championship.

AUSTIN KAISER: I think that kind of lit a fire under him on 18, we shook hands after, after Rory, you know, ended up winning. And he goes, our time's coming soon, dude. I'm feeling it and that next week he came in very hungry and I knew he was going to play well.

ANNC: Xander Schauffele hopes to step into history for the first time as a major champion, he's led since day one after opening with 62 he's come back with rounds of 68 and 68.

AUSTIN KAISER: PGA Championship he was hitting it so well. That's probably the best I've seen him hit it. So just to going into that week, we were both excited.

XANDER SCHAUFFELE: I know it was a drama filled Sunday, because there were a lot of moving parts and a lot of hard holes, you know, holes where you wanted to par holes you're supposed to birdie kind of laid out in front of us.

ANNC: This to take the lead outright, dead center. Today he is 5-under through 12 holes even with the bogey on the 10th.

XANDER SCHAUFFELE: When you're so close. It's literally at your fingertips your mind can start to wander too quickly just try to be present, so I think I did a pretty good job at that.

ANNC: Xander Schauffele has to get this up and down to stay tied for the lead.Come on now beautifully played under extreme pressure.

XANDER SCHAUFFELE: I didn't want to sit there too long and make it too dramatic. I really stayed in my routine. And, was pretty proud that I didn't let the moment be too big, played straight maybe pulled it a hair, kind of caught the left side and the rest is history.

ANNC: This is the moment you dream of as a kid. Xander with victory at Valhalla!

XANDER SCHAUFFELE: I proved that I can do it you dream about it. Seeing yourself hold a trophy and making that putt on the last, at Vahalla to win the PGA championship was beyond special. You can see my my expression of relief, followed by, you know, a lot of validation and, a lot of tears with my team and then, the Open as well.

XANDER SCHAUFFELE: People talk about Sunday being the really special day we feel like that Saturday, was really important. That Saturday was wild.

AUSTIN KAISER: Saturday was the hardest day I've ever caddied in my life. It was blowing 40. It was raining. It was miserable and I think that's the day he won the tournament.

ANNC: Schauffele to join the lead in the clubhouse at 3-under. And he will a part of this storyline tomorrow as he tries to put away two of the four.

AUSTIN KAISER: The next day just felt so easy. You know, it's still blowing, but it was like, oh, this is a walk in the park.

XANDER SCHAUFFELE: I was playing with Rosie. You know he was getting a ton of love and support from the crowd. So there are good vibes around our group. I was really in the mindset of it's not over till it's over. Anything can happen. Someone could hole out. I was so locked in.

ANNC: What a putt no problem for Xander Schauffele.

XANDER SCHAUFFELE: When I got to 18 I had a three shot lead. But I remember just being so focused on trying to plot my way up the hole and almost, almost forgot to soak in the moment. I turn around and Austin was like 30 yards behind me.

ANNC: Is he waiting for Austin, that's how close they are they are a tandem a team, that is a cool move. He's like let's take this walk together. Stride for stride, that is a great team.

XANDER SCHAUFFELE: That walk down the fairway with Austin on 18 was was something I'll never forget.

AUSTIN KAISER: I'm very proud to be part of this team. I wouldn't be on any other team, to be honest. This is just where I belong.

ANNC: Just about as stress free of a championship major Sunday that you will ever see. Xander Schauffele in at 9-under, 65 his second major championship.

AUSTIN KAISER: I honestly get kind of emotional just thinking about it because, I mean, it's just so much hard work over the last 10 years.

WHILE SCHAUFFELE WAS UNABLE TO DEFEND AT THE PGA CHAMPIONSHIP, HE'LL GET ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY TO RETAIN HIS TITLE IN JULY AT ROYAL PORTRUSH.

<u>D1 – PLAYERS ON MENTAL HEALTH AND DEALING WITH STRESS</u>

TONY FINAU: Emotional health. Spiritual health. Physical health. You can't separate a part of who you are and then think that you're going to be somebody else. You know, when it's time to perform, I think it's all one. And I've learned for me that I can't separate parts of me off the course, on the course; I'm the same person. That's what I've learned on my own mental health journey, spiritual journey, is that you're the same person on and off the golf course. I'm trying to be my best everywhere. And if I keep that mindset in all facets of my life, it seems to have helped me.

MAVERICK McNEALY: As mentally challenging as golf is, I think it's one of the best things you can do for mental health. I know for me, I don't feel like myself if I'm not outside for four-to-six hours a day. I think walking 18 holes of golf is one of the best things you can do.

I'm definitely someone where my entire attitude is predicated by the preparation and the work I put in. So, if I feel like I've worked really, really hard, done everything I can to play well, and things don't go my way, I'm very okay with it. If I'm having a bad day and I know I didn't give it my best and give myself the best chance to succeed, it drives me nuts. So, if I show up to a tournament or a round or a day and I feel very, very prepared and I feel like I've got all my ducks in a row and really did everything in my power to, to play great, it's easy to have to good attitude for me.

RUSSELL HENLEY: It's easy to get in the self-focused kind of mindset. Everything is catered to the player. Everything is catered to making my life easier, my travel easier, my practice rounds better and it's amazing. I think the biggest thing for me with mental health is trying to get my eyes off myself and onto others.

MAX HOMA: This game is impossibly hard and it'll drive you crazy, but at the end of the day, like, I don't want to take it home with me. That's what I've learned since having a kid. It's like my mental health means that when I leave the golf course and my son shows up, like I am back to just being dad. I'm not going to carry a bogey I made into his life. That's not fair. I'm very sensitive too, because I know there's different levels. Some people are going through a hell of a lot more than being frustrated they made a bogey. But I do think that as you are a happier person, you tend to perform better, and as you perform better, it tends to make you a bit happier. To be somehow able to not tie the two together would be great. I think that's the ultimate dream. But if it is happening, as most do, just doing your best to not put your self value in your score.

COLLIN MORIKAWA: Mental health is really important. Like for us, what we do is, it's a drag. It's a lot on the body. It's a lot in your head. It's a lot for the people around you, right? So, if you're not in the right mental space, if you're not in the right headspace to just go about each day and just try and accomplish what you're trying to accomplish, it makes it that much tougher. So, for me, it's just being able to escape from the golf course, going out, doing other things, enjoying it, breathing and just realizing and remembering this, at the end of it, is, is what I love to do, not just a job. It's something that I'm passionate about. So go out there and have fun at the same time.

D2 – GRAYSON MURRAY FOUNDATION – ONE YEAR REMEMBRANCE

THIS WEEK, THE IMPORTANCE OF TAKING CARE OF YOUR MENTAL HEALTH IS PREVELENT, ONE YEAR SINCE GRAYSON MURRAY'S PASSING. EARLIER THIS YEAR, AT THE SITE OF MURRAY'S SECOND PGA TOUR VICTORY, THE GRAYSON MURRAY FOUNDATION WAS LAUNCHED TO HONOR HIS LEGACY.

MATT EVERY: A massive heart and a and a fierce competitor is how I'm remembering Grayson.

WEBB SIMPSON: He was super thoughtful. It was pretty rare when I would see him, when he wouldn't ask about my wife or the kids.

RUSSELL HENLEY: He had softened a lot. You know, I could tell just this intentionality and his, patience and his demeanor.

AKSHAY BHATIA: Even though his path was a little different a lot of you know left and right turns he got it straight he was always just there for everyone else. And cared a lot about everyone including me, his family, his nephews, his dogs, such a good person.

WEBB SIMPSON: We could always talk. You know, just real life. We had a great relationship.

TERRY MURRAY: He actually wrote out his plans to start the foundation himself. We're using that as a basis and a guide.

ERIC MURRAY: Working through the grief is knowing that we're going to take the foundation and do something really good with it and, make Grayson proud.

TERRY MURRAY: Be kind to one another. We even have that on his grave marker. You know, just, trying to, raise awareness of mental health because, you know, a lot of people will judge if they know you're suffering from mental health issues, but they don't understand what you're going through.

JEFF MANESS: Grayson was just a beautiful young man and friend. Yes, being a multi-time winner on the PGA tour and, you know, a great, you know, professional golfer will be, you know, a part of the story. His true legacy is going to be to make a difference in the lives of others.