

A1 – SHOW OPEN – ROCKET CLASSIC

CROWD NATS

ANNC: It goes in! Rickie Fowler, his drought is over!

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A2 – THE CUT TITLES

WELCOME TO PGA TOUR – THE CUT.

A3 – RICKIE FOWLER – 2023 ROCKET CLASSIC CHAMPION

ANNC: Tell you what this is a really nice line...what a shot from Fowler!

ANNC: It's been four years, four months and 29 days since Rickie Fowler won on the PGA TOUR...

ANNC: And Rickie returns to the winner's circle! Ten months ago, he was number 185 in the world and now back on top.

A4 – RICKIE FOWLER INTERVIEW

MATT EVERY: We welcome in Rickie Fowler, who this week is looking for his second-career win at the Rocket Classic. Rickie, as we look ahead to the Rocket Classic you've had longstanding ties with this tournament. When it pops up on the schedule what goes through your body. What are you feeling?

RICKIE FOWLER: For me it's a nice kind of position in the schedule. I mean, it would've been nice being in the U.S. Open a couple weeks ago and this feeding into, you know, being in, you know, with another major coming up, The Open Championship. But for me, you know, being with Rocket for, for many years, going back to when the tournament was in, you know, the D.C. area, when it was Quicken Loans and ultimately, they wanted to, you know, get the tournament to Detroit. So being here over the years and seeing the tournament grow and being a past champion, pretty special.

MATT EVERY: How do you feel about your game as we head into these, deep summer months?

RICKIE FOWLER: You know, it's been nice to kind of see it go in the right direction. You know, having finally put together a decent week at Memorial and that being, you know, usually one of the harder tests that we see through the year. So, I like where things are going. Could have had a decent week last week, but, let one kind of slip from me on Friday when it was windy and battled

back, you know, well over the weekend. But yeah, like I mentioned earlier, I feel like you're never as far as you think you are from playing really good. And, having the family definitely helps, you know, being out on the road, to keep a sense of normalcy. But seeing everything trending in the right direction. Yeah, being in position a couple times, being in the final group at Colonial, everything's going the right way.

A5 – CAM DAVIS – 2021 & 2024 ROCKET CLASSIC CHAMPION

ANNC: We're at the 17th; Cam Davis and his third ... hit a really good shot from the right rough just to get it to here, Dottie ... oh my gosh! Cam Davis? More like Crash Davis!

ANNC: Davis does it in Detroit!

ANNC: Cam Davis is your champion in Motown!

TWO-TIME ROCKET CLASSIC CHAMPION, CAM DAVIS, IS SET TO RETURN TO DETROIT GOLF CLUB – THE SITE OF BOTH OF HIS PGA TOUR VICTORIES – TO DEFEND HIS TITLE ...

ANNC: His new favorite city is Detroit. The first multiple-time winner of this event.

AND WHILE YOU'LL PROBABLY ONLY SEE HIM HIT RIGHT-HANDED DURING COMPETITION, THE TWO-TIME CHAMP CAN SWING IT FROM BOTH SIDES OF THE GOLF BALL.

A6 – CAM DAVIS: RIGHTY VS. LEFTY

CAM DAVIS: Hi, guys. It's Cam Davis here. I play on the PGA TOUR right-handed, but today I'm going to see if I've still got it with the left-handed clubs. So, it's me versus myself; righty versus lefty.

CAM DAVIS NATS: Oh, ok; that was actually really good ... dude, that's, that's right on it. Ok!

CAM DAVIS NATS: Yeah ... that's, that's the way that I grew up playing the game.

CAM DAVIS: So, first of all, the difference is grip. I mean, like, I hold the club with, like, a weaker grip right-handed, and it's a stronger grip left-handed. So, the release is so different. With the stronger grip, I kind of have to use my body more left-handed. A lot of the mistakes I make with my right-handed swing, I feel like I do the opposite with my left hand and actually do them quite well. It honestly feels like it's been about a year and a half since I've last done this. So, it all feels like it's very foreign. It's like I'm picking up a new sport and trying again, but it does seem to be a little bit of muscle memory in there.

CAM DAVIS: I've been hitting it well right handed lately, so I should probably stick with this for now, but it's nice to know I've got the option.

CAM DAVIS: I have played a round where, for 14 holes I kept it at four over, and then I started hitting the ball into the houses over and over again. Just did not finish. So, there was a lot of decent golf and then a lot of, kind of scary golf for anyone who's around me.

CAM DAVIS: Surprisingly, little difference between the two. And I don't know if I'm going to be taking them out on TOUR with me, but it's always nice to know if I'm in the trees, I've still got an option to get out if I need to.

CAM DAVIS NATS: That's the best one yet.

BI – OVERHEARD AT THE TRAVELERS CHAMPIONSHIP

NATS: This crowd is crazy.

NATS: I've never seen so many people here. It's Thursday morning.

NATS: Can you see Rory? Watch how far he hits it. Do you think he's trying to hit the guy in the golf cart?

NATS: That's what I do.

NATS: Stop it.

NATS: You got the double – he plays the double gloves.

NATS: Man ...

NATS: That's a good shot. That's a good shot. I'm gonna start playing with two gloves now.

NATS: Dawg, it's like 2 Chainz. Two gloves.

NATS: Two gloves.

NATS: Get on in ... oh my God, what a putt!

NATS: Atta boy, Ludvig!

NATS: All day – there you go baby – all day, Ludvig. Just like a snowball, baby. Just keep it rollin'. Just look at that smile.

NATS: Oh, there's my man ... Lowry ... oooooh, ooh, ooh

NATS: Oh no, oh.

NATS: That is one of our shots.

NATS: That is diabolical.

NATS: Yes.

NATS: There's a lot of four-letter words that you could find to describe golf at their level and our level.

NATS: Oh, ooh he did it again – oh my – he duffed it again ... I wonder who's on the tee. They're probably saying, 'come on, man.'

NATS: Chip it in for par ... yeah!

NATS: Look at that. Oh, he's lookin' at us. He's over here looking ... when's the next flight leaving to the UK? (laughter)

NATS: Luke is like, really young so, you don't really need to call him "Mr."

NATS: Not, 'Mr. Luke?'

NATS: No, he's like 19 or 20. He's young.

NATS: Mr. Luke is putting.

NATS: It's not Mr. Luke.

NATS: Luke is putting.

NATS: Get in the hole ...

NATS: Oh my gosh ... nope.

NATS: Atta boy, Luke! Oh yeah, Luke!

NATS: Showtime at the Apollo. The Scottie masses are accumulating.

NATS: Here they come.

NATS: I've never seen Scottie in my life! This is a magic moment.

NATS: Oh, he eyed me – he looked at me!

NATS: He looked at me too.

NATS: Here comes Keegan ... here we go, Keegan!

NATS: Here we go, Rory!

NATS: Think he's popular? Rory!

NATS: Lets go, Rory! Definitely a good day to be rocking your Boston Common gear.

NATS: I know.

NEW ENGLANDERS WERE OUT IN FULL FORCE AT THE TRAVELERS CHAMPIONSHIP, AND ON SUNDAY, SHOWED THEIR FULL SUPPORT TO ONE OF THEIR OWN ...

B2 – TRAVELERS CHAMPIONSHIP WINNER

ANNC: Is this the day Tommy Fleetwood wins his first ever PGA TOUR event? Tommy has a three-shot lead. Keegan Bradley won here two years ago. The New England native hopes to become the eighth multiple winner of this event.

KEEGAN BRADLEY: The support I get here -- the support I get everywhere with the Ryder Cup captain and the USA chants, but especially here, it's pretty incredible.

ANNC: Final eight feet up on top of the hill ... what in the name of J.J. Spaun is happening here!? ... 64 feet – slam dunk! Tied the lead!

KEEGAN BRADLEY: I kept reminding myself that so many things can happen on these last four holes. I just tried to keep my head down, try to hit good shots.

ANNC: 9-iron for Bradley ...

KEEGAN BRADLEY: I had 139; I played it 146, which is an ear-to-ear swing that I practice, I don't know, about 100,000 times. It was a perfect number.

ANNC: Can he deliver one here at the final hole? Did he ever!

ANNC: This to be no worse than in a playoff ... oh, goodness. Played the last three holes in two over.

KEEGAN BRADLEY: All of a sudden I had a putt to win the tournament ...

ANNC: If he misses, it would be a three-way playoff.

KEEGAN BRADLEY: It's a lot of energy on that last hole with the crowd, and I did a great job of sort of staying in my own little zone and doing what I, what I do best.

ANNC: A Keegan comeback not to be believed!

B3 – FEDEXCUP STANDINGS

EN ROUTE TO VICTORY, KEEGAN BRADLEY LED THE FIELD IN BIRDIE AVERAGE AND FINISHED THIRD IN STROKES GAINED PUTTING ... AND THE EIGHT-TIME PGA TOUR WINNER MOVES INTO THE TOP 10 OF THE FEDEXCUP STANDINGS.

B4 – TRAVELERS CHAMPIONSHIP WINNER'S WALK

NATS: Why do they call you Captain America?

KEEGAN BRADLEY NATS: I don't know. Why do you think?

NATS: Because you're the captain?

KEEGAN BRADLEY NATS: Yeah, that's probably why.

KEEGAN BRADLEY NATS: I just did a great job of, like, staying calm, because that could have got me out of my routine, out of what I was doing. But I did a good job of staying in my in my little zone.

KEEGAN BRADLEY NATS: We did it again.

ANDY BESSETTE NATS: Congrats. You know what? We did it again. Congrats.

KEEGAN BRADLEY NATS: Thank you. Hey. Thank you. What a great week.

CHRIS BERMAN NATS: Come on.

KEEGAN BRADLEY NATS: I can't believe it.

CHRIS BERMAN NATS: I don't know your heart was that good. So proud of you, pal.

KEEGAN BRADLEY NATS: Thank you.

KEEGAN BRADLEY NATS: I hit three perfect shots on 18. I couldn't have hit any one better than the last. And I'm really proud of that.

KEEGAN BRADLEY NATS: This definitely opens the door to play. I don't know if I'm going to do it or not, but we'll all get together and figure out the best way to do this.

KEEGAN BRADLEY NATS: Sometimes when you can find peace inside the ropes, you know, you play your best golf. And when I, when I leave the ropes, when I go home, I'm 24/7 Ryder Cup.

NATS: I ordered you a burger. It's in the heat lamp.

KEEGAN BRADLEY NATS: Great. Yeah, please.

KEEGAN BRADLEY NATS: Oh. Thank you.

NATS: Well deserved.

C1 – REJOIN

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C2 – TRAVELERS CHAMPIONSHIP 15 ½ HOLE

KATE: Hi.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Hey. How's it going?

KATE: I'm Kate. Good. How are you?

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Kate, good to meet you. I'm Scottie.

SEBASTIAN: Sebastian. We're both from the First Tee.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Ok, awesome. You got the number dialed in?

KATE: Yeah.

SEBASTIAN: Yeah, we've had a few practice strokes.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Yeah.

WYNDHAM CLARK: Hey, guys. How you doing?

KATE: Good. How are you?

WYNDHAM CLARK: I'm Wyndham. Are you ready for the 15.5?

KATE: Definitely.

WYNDHAM CLARK: It's a pretty fun shot.

KATE: It is.

WYNDHAM CLARK: I got my first TOUR start here in 2017. And so, this has always been really special to me, so it's fun to come back. Have you hit the shot yet?

KATE: Once.

WYNDHAM CLARK: Once, ok. Did you hit it?

KATE: No.

WYNDHAM CLARK: Ok, well, let's, let's figure it out. Actually, last year, I won this. I didn't think I ... I hit a good shot. I didn't think it was that good. So, it's kind of fun to win one of these challenges. I've never done it before. So let's see if I can walk you guys through, hitting it. So, it's about 85 yards. It plays shorter than it looks because usually you're a little nervous and people are watching.

NATS: Don't go in the water.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Oh! I was really proud of that effort, too.

WYNDHAM CLARK: I'm tellin' you this shot, a lot of pros miss the green, too. I mean, you saw me.

WYNDHAM CLARK: Oh, this is the one ... one time.

SEBASTIAN: Get it ...

WYNDHAM CLARK: Yeah! Nice shot!

WYNDHAM CLARK: Stay in the air ... stay in the air ... go, yes! Nice! Good shot, guys!

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Cut! Adrenaline.

SEBASTIAN: Too far.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Pured it. You just pured it.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Oh, there it is ... there it is! Oh, what a shot! That was pure.

SEBASTIAN: Great shot.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Great shot.

SEBASTIAN: Hitting in front of the pros is an experience I never thought I'd be able to get. I had Scheffler watch me hit one on and got Scheffler to say that it was a pure shot, which I never thought I'd get to say ... or hear.

KATE: It was great to hang out with Windham today. He critiqued my swing a bit, which was awesome because I landed it on the green after I took some of his feedback, and it was just great to have that experience.

WYNDHAM CLARK: So just do like, think about your arm speed just slowing down a little bit.

SEBASTIAN: It's really cool that the Travelers is giving these opportunities. Can't wait to do it again!

C3 –WYNDHAM CLARK & TONY FINAU TRAVELERS CHAMPIONSHIP PAYOFF

WYNDHAM CLARK FINISHED T17 IN THE TRAVELERS CHAMPIONSHIP – HIS BEST FINISH SINCE THE TEXAS CHILDREN'S HOUSTON OPEN ...

TONY FINAU FINISHED T66 ... BUT NOW SHIFTS HIS FOCUS TO THE ROCKET CLASSIC ...

ANNC: Finau, your champion in Motown!

EN ROUTE TO HIS ROCKET CLASSIC VICTORY IN 2022, FINAU RANKED SECOND IN THE FIELD IN STROKES GAINED OFF-THE-TEE. FOR A CLOSER LOOK AT HOW HE HITS HIS DRIVER, HERE IS MARK IMMELMAN.

C4 – SWING THEORY: TONY FINAU

MARK IMMELMAN: At 6'4", Tony Finau is arguably the PGA TOUR's best athlete. At cruising speed, he keeps it up with the best. When he wants to, he can hit it farther than anyone. The swing is dynamic. It's powerful. It's repeatable. It's just downright athletic.

ANNC: He's got such great torque through his body. Twists without really leaping off the ground like Justin Thomas.

ANNC: If ever you see his workout routine, it just generates such speed.

ANNC: So much fun watching him hit the ball... especially with this club.

ANNC: Finau can put a little jet fuel on this.

NATS: Boom! Holy moly!

MARK IMMELMAN: At address, Tony likes to sit a little bit more than most. You can see that how the rear end is well beyond the heels of the feet. Now, ordinarily you would see PGA TOUR guys kind of line up more over the center of their body. Tony likes the sitting feeling because he likes to feel his hands a little lower, and that's to allow that clubface to look a little more left. When those hands push up, he gets the face looking too far right and he fights a little bit of a right shot or ball that draws too much. So, see, low hands have an influence on the shaft plane. Now, as he moves it away, again from the seated position, long arms – he's 6'4" – the club hovers, then travels along the plane line and when we get to the left arm parallel, this is what Tony likes to do. He likes to try and stand the shaft up in the back swing. That allows him then to shallow that shaft into the downswing. So, as we take him to the top, absence of excess wrist hinge, the arms swing up over the shoulder a little shorter than most, and already there, you can see how that club is beginning to go in that sort of a direction as it shallows into transition. So now the lower body unwinds, the knees lead, watch the shaft just flare and lay down as he changes direction. There's the lay down. Now he's down the chest. Now look at this. That standing up shaft. Now has that baby pointing right on the money. Legs underneath him. He's still in his sit look. And that now is going to allow him to get his hands back in the channel where he began. Down to contact. Watch the quiet feet and watch his magic move. Very quiet in the feet. Hands right back in the channel where he began. Right elbow underneath left elbow. That's going to work if you like to hit power fades. And he loves to. Look at those feet. A lot of folks will use the ground. Tony just plugs into the ground and slings that golf club around him freely into the follow through every single time. He can smash a low, tumbling fade with the very best.

ANNC: Smoked it.

D1 – MENTAL STRETCH & SCHEDULE

WITH SIX WEEKS REMAINING IN THE PGA TOUR REGULAR SEASON, ALEX O’LAUGHLIN AND MATT EVERY BREAK DOWN HOW A PLAYER’S CURRENT POSITION IN THE FEDEXCUP STANDINGS AFFECTS THEIR MINDSET.

ALEX O’LAUGHLIN: Okay, so you're looking at these guys that are hovering around that 100 mark. How much control do they actually have over their, their season and their schedule? Or do they just need to hit the ground running and play in whatever they can?

MATT EVERY: Well, it's kind of the latter there, Alex. Look, they're going to get some looks as we close out the year as you mentioned, just six weeks left. But let's take two guys for example here, a guy like Beau Hossler and maybe even Charlie Hoffman. We'll start with Beau first. Two different guys kind of in the same spot. I'll explain to you how it's a little different. Beau's a single guy; got no kids. He's going every week his name gets called from here on out. Doesn't have a choice, doesn't have a win to fall back on. He's playing for a job. Okay, let's move on to Charlie. Charlie's got two teenage daughters, alright. Life's a little bit different for him. He's going to go as well every week his name gets called, but the travel is going to be a little bit different for Charlie Hoffman. Just, you know, some perspective for you there, Alex.

ALEX O’LAUGHLIN: Now moving closer to that playoff bubble. You've got the guys in between 70 and 100. How mentally tough is it to take a week off even when your body is begging for it? Because you know that there's players behind you that could go and leapfrog you.

MATT EVERY: Yeah. You bring up a great point and I'll pick two guys in this little bubble we're talking about as well. We'll start with Matt McCarty. He's in the 80s right now. Look, Matt's a young guy, 27-years-old. He's a winner on the PGA TOUR. He does have that to fall back on. But boy, you would love to sneak inside this Top 70. I'd be hard pressed to see a guy like him take a week off heading into the playoffs, Alex. Unless he strikes gold, you know, in these next couple of weeks to solidify himself in that Top 70. Now let's take a look at a guy like Wyndham Clark. We know Wyndham runs hot. I was the guy that ran hot myself. These tournaments in the summer, I mean, we're talking about 90 degree, you know, heat plus Thursday through Sunday. They're long weeks. Might not hurt to, it might not hurt Wyndham to take a week off and maybe recharge, maybe even two weeks, because, you know, just takes one good week for him to sneak inside that bubble. Two different ways to approach it.

ALEX O’LAUGHLIN: Now, even if you're inside the Top 70, how risky is it to take your foot off the gas, get comfortable? Have you seen guys get comfortable and then they end up on the other side of that line?

MATT EVERY: No examples pop out, Alex, but these guys all have it in the back of their mind. They've been working to get inside this bubble the whole year. I mean, that Top 70 number is massive. The guys 61 to 70 right now, you can't play the rest, the next six weeks in a row. You're just going to wear yourself out. And if you do sneak inside the number, you don't want to be running ragged heading into these, these playoffs. I look for them to take maybe one, two weeks off. If they if they solidify their self inside though, I'm resting my legs and getting ready for the first event.

D2 – ROCKET CLASSIC TV TIMES

THE FINAL STRETCH BEGINS AT THE ROCKET CLASSIC WHERE SIWOO KIM IS SET TO CELEBRATE HIS 30TH BIRTHDAY ON SATURDAY ... TO HONOR THE ENTERTAINING 2017 PLAYERS CHAMPION, HERE ARE SOME OF SIWOO'S BEST REACTIONS.

D3 – SIWOO KIM'S BEST REACTIONS

ANNC: Got a great lie off his drop ... oh! Wow! You're kidding me! What a break getting that drop.

ANNC: Oh! Take the hat off! That's, I think that's quicker than Tiger took the hat off.

ANNC: 2017 champ, Siwoo Kim ... well, it's going to help this shot to be soft ... what a way to go out! Club drop. Final hole of the championship for the youngest PLAYERS Champ ever.

ANNC: Over here at 14, third shot for Siwoo Kim at the par five ... oh, ho ... whoa, that's what can (laughter) there you go. I think he's being a little facetious. That's what can happen though at 14; easiest hole on the course.

ANNC: (Laughter) Oh, wow.

ANNC: Just want to avoid hitting, hitting the collar ... they went just over ... he made it. Yes sir! Siwoo Kim gets it done!