

THE CUT MASTER SCRIPT

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A1 - COLD OPEN

SHANE LOWRY: I think what you see with Luke is what you get when you look at what he's done in his career and how he actually achieved what he did in his career and the work he put in. He's doing the same with the Ryder Cup captaincy. There's probably not a day that goes by where he's not spending time in his office on that role. And, you know, I admire him from that because he's still very committed to his golf as well. He likes to be a bit of a joker. And he likes his dad jokes, he's good fun to hang around with.

VIKTOR HOVLAND: Yeah, you just got so much confidence and peace just knowing that he was the captain and thought of everything. He was so prepared.

TOMMY FLEETWOOD: You know, one of the things we Luke is he uses words very wisely. You describe, you know, his captaincy the same as he probably was as a player, where it's like this calm confidence that he distills in his team or in all of us as players. And I think that definitely rubbed off on us all. You know, there was no real wasted energy, no wasted words, but, you know, made sure we all believed in ourselves and we were all in the best state of mind in the best spots to go out and play and and perform.

A2 - TITLES

WELCOME TO PGA TOUR, THE CUT.

A3 - RYDER CUP RESULT

RORY MCILROY AND TEAM EUROPE CALLED THEIR SHOT.

AFTER THE 2023 RYDER CUP, MCILROY CITED ONE OF THE HARDEST ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN GOLF WAS TO WIN A RYDER CUP AS A VISITING TEAM... AND STATED "THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT TEAM EUROPE WAS GOING TO DO".

A BOLD STATEMENT 2 YEARS IN THE MAKING...KNOWING A SOLID U.S. TEAM AND A PASSIONATE NEW YORK CROWD WOULD STAND IN THEIR WAY.

AND IT PROVED ESPECIALLY HARD GIVEN THE COMEBACK THE U.S. TEAM MOUNTED ON SUNDAY – STILL EUROPE WINS THE CUP WITH THE A FINAL SCORE OF 15-13 - AND FIRST ROAD WIN SINCE THE MIRACLE AT MEDINAH IN 20-12.

FOR MORE, HERE IS MATT EVERY AND CHANTEL MCCABE

A4 - MATT AND CHANTEL ON RYDER CUP

CHANTEL: Everyone continuing to buzz about the Ryder Cup and rightfully so. We'll start with the guy we just heard from who promised a win years ago. Rory McIlroy. An elite athlete. No argument about that, but he showed you something new this week. What was it?

MATT EVERY: Oh, well he's got that dog in him. There's no doubt about that. And he is elite. He is the best of the best. We don't get too many true road game experiences in the game of golf. In a way, Ryder Cup definitely registers as one of those. Stop poking the bear. If you're the US fans, are you kidding me? Three, one and one. That one lost kind of came when it didn't really matter. I mean, this thing was over after the team play. We can dress up the single stuff later, but, Rory McIlroy, I'll tell you what went on the right on 16 and in the foursomes matches when he turned around and told the gallery to be quiet and then stuffed it to three feet, he immediately jumped, Si Woo Kim is my favorite player ever.

CHANTEL: And Luke Donald, I mean pretty quiet coming in conversely to what we saw on the US side. Why is he successful?

MATT EVERY: Well, look, first of all, Luke's naturally a quiet guy. He just reeks of a CEO kind of laying in the weeds versus the opposite side. When the PGA of America took Keegan, you know, whether it was intentional or not, they kind of made this about Keegan. And I know it wasn't intentional from either side really. But that's what happened. Luke, the complete opposite. I mean, how clever was he in the press conferences bringing up money every time? Mean point, Luke Donald every single time. Definitely had an easier play to deal with as well. I mean, 11 guys returning from last year's team were just flip flopping the brothers here with the Hogjaards. Job well done. He does a killer job with getting guys to buy in. And I can't say enough good things about Luke Donald. Hey, no term limits on this Ryder Cup stuff. It wouldn't shock me to see him in Ireland.

A5 - JUSTIN ROSE PHOTO SEGUE

SEVEN TIME RYDER CUP VETERAN, JUSTIN ROSE, CONTRIBUTED TO TEAM EUROPE'S WIN WITH A STIMULATING 2 AND 0, FOUR BALL RECORD, PROVIDING MOMENT AFTER CLUTCH MOMENT AS HE CONTINUED TO FORGE HIS RYDER CUP LEGACY AT THE AGE OF 45 - SHOWCASING HIS LONGEVITY OF SUCCESS IN THE GAME.

A6 - JUSTIN ROSE LONGEVITY

ANNC: There ya go! That's validated everything everybody's knows about him for a long, long time.

ABERG: My question to Justin Rose would be, i would like to know, because obviously he's been doing it for so long, to me that's really impressive and sort of what keeps him going.

ANNC: So he knows what this means. Two putts, thirty feet, breaking a little left. It's got great speed and that should do it. Great speed, that's a terrific birdie right there. That's going to be your FedEx Cup Champion! He's really pumped. He knows that's what did it. He'd be only the second world number one to win the FedEx Cup. The other, the guy up behind him, Tiger Woods in 2007 and 2009. He will be the winner of the FedEx Cup title.

JUSTIN ROSE: It was a fight for sure. Sorry to rain on the parade guys, I know there was one guy you were rooting for here but the way the game the golf is going, so many great young players, it's actually nice for us old guys to get a little moment in the sun. \

ANNC: You look at the field in the beginning of the week and you say, okay, who is going to be there on Sunday, you think? You see the name Justin Rose and you think, that would be some story, wouldn't it be?

ANNC: How about that for Rose? Three shot lead there now with four holes to go. It's been four years since he won. He's going to savor this 138 yard walk, yes indeed. On his way to victory number 11! Justin Rose, back in the winner's circle!

BALIONIS: You are officially a PGA TOUR champion once again. What's the overwhelming emotion once you realize what you just accomplished for the 11th time out here?

JUSTIN ROSE: I mean, time flies by, doesn't it? It's amazing how long it's been. This is a thanks to the people that probably believe in me more than I do. My team has been incredible, incredible week from start to finish with so much happening in my favor.

JUSTIN ROSE: I've been selling myself the story that my game is in good shape and when I have access to it, I've been able to play with the best players in the world and compete. Obviously I have proved that a couple times in major champions in a not too distant past. But you know, as a player, you want to play to win. That's kind of why I'm out here, closing the door is everything. There is such a big difference between winning and coming in second. Everything seems to multiply.

ANNC: Yup! Fist pump of determination by Rose. And Justin Rose is a playoff winner again! His 12th PGA TOUR win. It's the second most of any European in the modern era.

SHANE LOWRY: His work ethic is the best on TOUR. The time and effort he puts in away from his family, he spends a lot of time away from his family and his kids. It's very admirable what he's done.

HACK: 45 years of age, what have you learned about what inside of you at this age in your career?

JUSTIN ROSE: I've always know I'd have that. I get nervous for the best of them. You know, like I feel nervous at times but I know that when it matters, I still got it.

ANNC: Clutch all the way for Justin Rose.

JUSTIN ROSE: It's nice to know that that hasn't left me at this ripe old age. But listen, I don't want to keep saying that because I'm moving well, the body is feeling good, I'm training well. I can't let the age become too much of the story.

SHANE LOWRY: Honestly for me, watching him do that, I'm getting close to my forties and it's definitely something I kind of aspire to be when I get to his age.

JUSTIN ROSE: I still feel like I have that desire to play well and the ability to play well. So as long as I have that, I owe it to my kid like self who was dreaming about doing what I'm doing now at the age of 12 to give it everything.

PRODUCER: How long do you want to keep going?

JUSTIN ROSE: As long as I can do it and I feel like I can win. If you feel like you can put one foot in front of the other and be a little better tomorrow than you are today, then the minimal gains are there.

B1 - SCHEFFLER PROCORE INTRO

THE FEDEX CUP FALL KICKED OFF IN NAPA TWO WEEKS AGO, EVEN WITH SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER MAKING HIS TOURNAMENT DEBUT, THE HYPE WAS OVERTAKEN BY THE GROWING ANTICIPATION OF THE RYDER CUP

B2 - SCHEFFLER PROCORE EARLY PRESSER

MEDIA: Why is the Ryder Cup important to you?

SCHEFFLER: I think it's important to be because we are representing the United States of America. Being able to put the flag on your chest, represent our country, it's really hard to put into words what that means.

SCHEFFLER: Are you going to get one about the tournament this week ... or ... how does this work? I didn't mean to put you on the spot. Well ... I can only answer the questions I get asked of me, Doug. To be fair, to the Procore Championship, you guys have not been very fair to them in this room.

MEDIA: I got two questions, both about this weeks tournament.

SCHEFFLER: That a boy! That's my guy.

MEDIA: The first one is, you talk a lot about every week and every stop on TOUR being a different challenge. This is the first time you've played here and you've not won a tournament on your debut visit. Is that a challenge in itself that you've been thinking about?

SCHEFFLER: I won at Port Rush this year and that was my first time on the golf course. Just wanted to throw that in there.

MEDIA: Thank you for the correction.

MEDIA: You haven't managed to win in the state of California, what's the plan to get across the line this week.

SCHEFFLER: I didn't know that stat so thank you for that.

B3 - SCHEFFLER WINS PROCORE

IN HIS PROCORE CHAMPION DEBUT, THE WORLD NUMBER ONE PUT ON A CLINIC TO SECURE THE TITLE

ANNC: Scottie Scheffler for birdie ... and he just had enough energy to drop it in there! He is the winner of the Procore Championship, his 6th win this season on the PGA TOUR, his 19th career victory.

SCHEFFLERS: Look at that Bennett! Isn't that fun! Can you smile for me? You want to run around on the green? You can run around!

SCOTTIE: Which is heavier, this or Bennett?

MEDIA: Scottie, captured your 19th PGA TOUR victory, sixth this season and first in the state of California. How are we feeling after the win?

SCHEFFLER: Yeah, feeling good. Overall it was a good prep week getting ready for the Ryder Cup. As far as the tournament went, I did some good stuff over the course of four days, especially over the weekend. Felt like my game got better as the week went on and played some really nice golf Saturday and Sunday to be sitting here.

B4 - SEGUE ON SCOTTIE PERFORMANCE AT RC

SCHEFFLER'S SUCCESSFUL SEASON WAS REVERED BY HIS FELLOW COMPETITORS ADMIRING HIS UNIQUE, BUT IMPACTFUL PLAYING STYLE.

B5 - PLAYERS ON SCOTTIE SWING

PRODUCER: Why does this swing work from your perspective?

FLEETWOOD: It's unbelievable.

BURNS: He kind of moves his feet a lot.

HOVLAND: At times, it does seem like he's falling.

ANNC: I don't need if I've seen that foot work.

MORIKAWA: It's so interesting because we all look at his feet. But if you look where his hands go, his hands fall perfectly in sync with where your hands want to be. His feet are a by product of where everything else is going because he is just creating all that force. What creates his consistency is that he's got great club face awareness. His hands are very neutral at the top, he's got a very flat left wrist and just essentially holds that down and is able to deliver to the ball. And when you have no a lot of rotation, with the face, it's going to be very consistent through impact.

ABERG: His setup is so sound. I love his grip, it's very neutral. It seems like he can do whatever he wants from that. He obviously moves a lot latterly in the down swing which then creates so much club face stability. That's why he's the best player in the world, it's quite impressive.

HOVLAND: Everyone looks at what his right foot is doing after impact and it looks like it's falling off and looks goofy and all that. But it's just a completely different way to move your body. He moves his lower body, he has a lot more lateral movement and I don't think you see a lot of guys that are as lateral as he is or slides as much as he does. But he's a big guy so he can get away with that and still can produce a lot of power. That's just what makes that right foot go behind the left foot. That's why it looks a little bit off, but when you break it down, it's obviously a great move. Otherwise, he wouldn't be Scottie Scheffler.

FLEETWOOD: The top of his backswing is in an unbelievable position. The club never really gets behind him. The stability of his club face is unbelievable. Everybody sees his shuffle, I think and it doesn't really look like he's shuffling too much there. That's the impact which is all that matters. He's the best player by a long way at having the club where it should be at impact.

C1 - REJOIN

IT HAD BEEN 11 YEARS SINCE KEEGAN BRADLEY'S LAST RYDER CUP APPEARANCE AS A PLAYER. NOW THAT HIS CAPTAINCY FOR THE U.S. TEAM IS COMPLETE, HE REFLECTS ON THE MEMORIES AS A COMPETITOR AND THE WILD YEAR IT WAS SINCE BEING NAMED CAPTAIN.

C2 - SETUP KEEGAN RC JOURNEY

KEEGAN BRADLEY: Early in my career, I played on my first two Ryder Cup teams and my first President's Cup team all in a row. And I truly thought I was going to play on every one of these teams for the rest of my career.

ANNC: Showing why he has the talent, the intensity, the moxy to be one of the best in this game!

KEEGAN BRADLEY: It never crossed my mind that I wouldn't.

BRADLEY NAT: So this was my Ryder Cup bag at Medinah, really special. And this is the Ryder Cup bag signed by the entire team from Glen Eagles.

KEEGAN BRADLEY: Not only was I not playing on them, I wasn't even in the picture to play on them.

ANNC: How do you keep the frustration from creeping in if you're Keegan Bradley?

BRADLEY NAT: Ahhh ... goddess.

KEEGAN BRADLEY: I remember thinking, 'You have to be at peace that you're never going to do this again. You have to be okay with that part of your career is over.' And I did, I was okay with it.

ANNC: Just two top three finishes in his last three seasons, gets win number five!

ANNC: New England's very own takes the title at the Travelers!

KEEGAN BRADLEY: And then I started to play a little bit better and then I was like, no I really need to do this again. Rome was the one I really wanted to play.

ANNC: Devastated when he didn't get the call.

KEEGAN BRADLEY: If you don't finish in the top six and you have to rely on a pick, you can't be upset that you're not on the team.

C3 - KEEGAN JOURNEY TO RYDER CUP

ANNC: He's hearing the chants.

ANNC: Keegan Bradley, he's been announced the 2025 Ryder Cup Captain.

ANNC: Some would say, wow, it's because of what happened ... perhaps. But this guy is from Boston, went to college in New York, it's at Bethpage Black. There's a lot of things there that make Keegan a good pick.

KEEGAN BRADLEY: It was like a full circle moment that I had done this. And the work, it took me 10 years. When I spoke to the players, I could really sense their excitement, I felt like, okay this is great.

KEEGAN BRADLEY: I would love to be a playing captain. No one has really had the opportunity that I've had.

ANNC: Keegan Bradley takes the BMW again! Wow have things changed for Keegan Bradley and his golfing life!

KEEGAN BRADLEY: If I make the team, I'll play. I don't see myself being a captain's pick.

ANNC: Keegan Bradley has the decisive point to with the President's Cup!

KEEGAN BRADLEY: I didn't know if I'd ever get to do this again and to win the point, my goodness, the last time I played, I was the point to lose the Ryder Cup so if this is my last ride as a player, maybe it is, then I'll be happy with that.

ANNC: Nine iron for Bradley, who attended this tournament as a young boy, dreaming one day that he would make his life out here. Considers this a major .. can he deliver one here at the final hole? Did he ever! You're telling me you don't want this guy on your Ryder Cup team?

KEEGAN BRADLEY: As close to a Ryder Cup moment as I'd ever felt.

ANNC: Keegan Bradley to overturn it all at the last hole and win it with one putt. A Keegan comeback not to be believed!

KEEGAN BRADLEY: Never would have even considered playing on the team if I hadn't won. Winning a tournament like that, what that feels, is a big deal. So if I was looking at a player, I would think that's a big step towards making this Ryder Cup team.

HARRIS ENGLISH: He's got a lot of tough decisions. If he wasn't captain this year, would he be on the team? He's had a hell of a year.

AMANDA BALIONIS: You said you would only be a playing captain if you earned it on points. Have you convinced yourself that you would be an additive to this team now?

KEEGAN BRADLEY: Go USA!

KEEGAN BRADLEY: That was the toughest decision of my life but the guys really finished off the season on a high note and we were really confident with the players that we had on the team and ultimately that was the reason why I decided not to play.

KEEGAN BRADLEY: For the last year and half, I've been having to do two jobs at once so it's really great that I can kind of hone my focus on one job.

COLLIN MORIKAWA: Keegan has been open to hearing every suggestion possible from all of us, to how do we make it as normal as it can be and go out there and do what we need to do.

KEEGAN BRADLEY: You have to earn the respect of the players, normally you're looking at your captain and he's a guy we all grew up idolizing. For me, I had to really prove to the guys that this was something I could handle and something I don't take lightly.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: I can't say enough how good of a job Keegan has done for us so far and the energy that he brought has been great. He's very organized, he's doing a really good job keeping the guys fired up.

C4 - PAY OFF RC RESULT

CAPTAIN BRADLEY FIRED UP THE U.S. TEAM FOR A NEAR IMPOSSIBLE COMEBACK DURING SUNDAY SINGLES. WHILE IT WAS JUST SHORT OF A MIRACLE, KEEGAN NOW MOVES FORWARD TO THE REST OF HIS PLAYING CAREER AND WHO KNOWS ... PERHAPS A PART OF THE RYDER CUP TEAM AS A COMPETITOR ONCE AGAIN.

D1 - TEE IT UP

THE PGA TOUR FALL SEASON CONTINUES THIS WEEK, LET'S TEE IT UP FOR THE SANDERSON FARMS CHAMPIONSHIP.

AKSHAY BHATIA HAS BEEN PLAYING SOME REALLY GOOD GOLF. A T-6 FINISH AT THE FEDEX ST. JUDE AND T-13 AT TOUR CHAMPIONSHIP - THROW IN AN 11TH PLACE FINISH AT THE PROCORE A COUPLE OF WEEKS BACK, HE'S A FORMATABLE CONTENDER COMING INTO MISSISSIPPI.

NEXT UP, MIN WOO LEE. HE ARRIVES IN JACKSON MISSISSIPPI HAVING TIED FOR 5TH IN HIS LAST START ON THE DP WORLD TOUR IN FRANCE. IN HIS LAST PGA TOUR START, HE HAD AN 11TH PLACE FINISH AT THE BMW CHAMPIONSHIP. THIS WILL BE MIN WOO'S FIRST TIME TEEING IT UP AT THE SANDERSON FARMS CHAMPIONSHIP.

NOW ONTO KEVIN YU. HE'S HAD A COUPLE OF TOP 5 FINISHES ON TOUR THIS YEAR. HE LOOKS TO BECOME THE 4TH PLAYER TO WIN THIS EVENT MULTIPLE TIMES. LAST YEAR, HE BEAT BEAU HOSSLER WITH A BIRDIE ON THE FIRST PLAYOFF HOLE.

D2 - TV TIMES

D3 - FEC STANDINGS THRU PROCORE

THIS WEEK AT THE SANDERSON FARM'S CHAMPIONSHIP, KEVIN YU LOOKS TO DEFEND HIS TITLE. HIS MAIDEN VICTORY WAS SECURED HERE WHERE HE BEGAN THE WEEK WITH AN INTERESTING STORY ...

D4 - KEVIN YU SANDERSON 2025 WIN

KEVIN YU: On Tuesday, we pulled into the parking lot and my dad was driving and he saw a parking spot and I told him that for past champions, you can park here. And he was like, 'Oh okay, we can park here after this year.'

ANNC: Kevin is from the Northwestern Coast of Chinese Taipei. His dad owned a driving range and was a golf instructor.

KEVIN YU: He taught me since I was 5 and he opened a driving range when I was very young. He was my coach and taught me how to play.

KEVIN YU: They came here with me this week and they have been working really hard, trying to put me through college and go through my professional career and just have them out here is really special.

ANNC: Here he is, with a birdie putt on the first playoff hole to win for the first time in his PGA TOUR career. And Kevin Yu becomes the third player from Chinese Taipei to win on the PGA TOUR!

KEVIN YU: I think it means a lot just to show them that we can do it by working really hard, have a clear mindset and dream big and that you know, we can do it.

ANNC: Dreams come true right there. What a massive day for Kevin Yu!

KEVIN YU: I still think it's crazy. I've been dreaming about this for a really long time and my coach and team having been doing their job to help me get here today so we finally did it and I'm really really happy.

KEVIN YU: I'm just really enjoying playing golf and last year at the same time, I'm just trying to be the best out of myself.