

2026 CUT VALSPAR

LEE NAT: It's players week, welcome.

FINAU NAT: Yeah. Let's go.

ANNC: It is one of the premier days in this sport. The final round of the Players Championship. Always entertaining. Always. Pressure pack. A huge day for 26 year old Ludvig Oberg. Very high. He doesn't like it as he lost it, right? Oh, well. Right, right. Things have changed dramatically here. Like the handle. This is a big hook.

Two holes in a row over in the water. Now, all of a sudden, you have a chance to win the Players Championship. Yep. Five under on the day to 13 under par and sole possession of the lead. Now the most challenging shot for these players coming up. Oh good bounce. Great bounce. And the roll.

Yes he did.

He put the whole tournament in his hands right there and said he wanted the ball. You know.

YOUNG: my thought process over that ball is one making sure that I'm committed to my line. And two is I'm gonna hit the best shot of my life right here. And, I don't know if I can think of one that's better.

It took him 94 tournaments to break through. And now he's got the crown jewel of the PGA tour. Young is a players champion. This place has had my number. The last few years I've never really had a good finish here. Every shot all day long. You can get yourself into trouble. There's no easy ones. There's no givens. You're going to make mistakes.

I've dreamed of having that moment for a long time. And to get to see them give my boys a hug. You know, see my wife. See my little girl. That's something I'll remember for a long time.

WITH THE WIN, CAMERON YOUNG JUMPS TO SECOND IN THE FEDEX CUP STANDINGS. LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT THE ATMOSPHERE SURROUNDING THE 17TH HOLE

I'm sure they get a little nerves in their stomach when they step out. 17. Don't you think there's not a human soul that plays golf? That ain't going to be nervous hitting this shot. See

what you can do. I wonder if any golfers ever walking around the edge of that green never fell off like they have. I've seen it.

See? Look how close he is. Oh my goodness. I'm sure that would make. What is the funniest home videos? Yeah. I want Hoagie Dove. Oh, you're an ice guard. My wife loves that dude right there. I hope you dunk for them in the water. This dude stole my wife, and he's never met her. Adam Scott. Adam Hall. He's my mate.

That's your man, man. I don't know. He could be mine. I that guy over there. Kiefer. The one you couldn't walk? No, no. Yeah. He was really cute.

That looks really good. Looks D2 looks deep. 000. Go go go go. Oh my gosh! No! I'm alive!

Oh! Let's go. Come on. Adam, are you kidding me? Go! I have to buy another live putter and then eat some sort of look in his eyes. And he was like, hey, I want to put these right there. He's had Hodge go straight into the water. You got a lot of ground on that one. Gardening. Oh yeah. I could probably sit here all day and be happy.

A lot of people do. Especially when the birds start fishing. Sitting right there in front of the. Yeah. Waterfowl adventures here. National geographic. Hey, baby. My art nemesis almost hit. Hold on 117. Ludvig, your boyfriend started walking away. I said, don't take my life.

I did. Here we go, Ben. I really want to buy. Doesn't matter. After watching him treat. That was you. Wasn't a favorite of Justin Thomas's pants. Cute pink. Salmon. Oh. Salmon, though. I'm so sorry. I was. There you go. Virtual. There you go. You got you this link to play tackle for the game. There's got to. Where are you?

I wait, best kicker on the cam. Little can we get? Can we get a picture, bro? Dude. Come on. Yo, we'll pay you back, bro. Oh that cam. Do you think you can kick a golf ball onto 17? No, there's no. That's not how that works. You need to go back and do some, like, science lessons or whatever.

That sound is for us. Hey, if golf never works out, same. You can always go to football, good putt. nice putt. nice.

AS THE TOUR HEADS TO THE COPPERHEAD COURSE FOR THE VALSPAR CHAMPIONSHIP, HERE ARE A FEW NAMES TO KEEP AN EYE ON –

COMING OFF A TOP 10 AT THE PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP, JUSTIN THOMAS WILL TEE IT UP THIS WEEK FOR JUST HIS 3RD START OF THE YEAR. JT HAS A SOLID TRACK RECORD HERE, MISSING THE CUT JUST ONCE IN 8 STARTS, AND CARDING 6 TOP 25 FINISHES, INCLUDING A PAIR OF TOP 5'S

A SOLO 3RD PERFORMANCE AT THE PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP - XANDER SCHAUFFELE IS COMING IN WITH 4 CONSECUTIVE TOP 25 FINISHES - AND HAS PLACED NO WORSE THAN T12 AT THIS TOURNAMENT

AND LOOKING TO DEFEND HIS TITLE IS VIKTOR HOVLAND – ANOTHER PLAYER IN SOLID FORM AS THE FLORIDA SWING CONTINUES – A MINDSET HE DID NOT ENTER LAST YEAR'S VALSPAR CHAMPIONSHIP WITH...

Sitting there with the trophy how does your swing feel right now? Haha not great. That Fedex Cup title when you just thought he was going to take off challenge for majors instead, it's been quite the opposite fall from number three in the world to 19th. I just felt like I wasn't playing well at all. I'd just gotten off missing two cuts in a row. I shot 80 of the players the week before.

I didn't really feel like anything had changed, but I really like in a stroke. I think it's a great golf course and it fits my game really well, and I knew that if I just managed my game pretty well and didn't lose my mind every time I hit a bad shot, I could get around the golf course and I just felt like I was in control without being in control.

But look at this other fabulous iron shot. Can Hovland keep it rolling? I can't really rely on my old fuels anymore because the club is in a different spot, and I have to change my release pattern to make that work. I was really patient and just try to play really smart, and I think that's a credit kind of to myself this week is that I almost felt like I played like a veteran, like I've been out here for 20 years, just really plodded my way around the course really nicely.

I hit a bad shot and didn't really faze me all that much. A putter can make up for some faults with the short shots 12ft down the hill. Even though I was three back on 14 over my putt and JT just kept making birdie on every hole, but I still just felt like, okay, we still got a shot here.

Kind of needs this one. Now you can just turn hard left okay. Hovland not one to back down. When I made the putt there on 14, I felt really good and I was only two shots back. Just believe that I had a chance. And there's a lot of golf left and just kept hitting good shots and making putts.

Is it enough? It is one shot. Just a beautiful golf shot at a very, very important time for Viktor Hovland. And just 12ft here to take the lead. Sole possession at the top Viktor Hovland who has gone back to back here at the Snakepit. Suddenly we were there with a two shot lead playing 18, and that's when I really got nervous.

You know, I'm still hitting the same shots that I have been the whole year, really. I was able to time it extremely well this week, and I think that is something that I'm extremely proud of, that I can show up at a PGA tour event at one of the hardest golf courses we play all year, and still and still win with not my best stuff.

Viktor Hovland has got his seventh PGA tour win. That's the pump of the fist. As if I've finally got it done. Feels unbelievable. It's been quite the struggle a little past year and a half, so for me to come back and win this tournament is quite incredible. Was not very hopeful with my game leading into this week and just goes to show this game is pretty crazy.

AHEAD OF THE PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP, LUDVIG ABERG IS JOINED BY HIS FORMER TEAMMATES FOR A PRACTICE ROUND AT SAWGRASS.

“give me back my son”

Some of the stuff people shouts like what the.

Give me back my son! Some good fish! Got it all right. Yeah, yeah, you can see. See you on 12. Now. He's more famous than you. It was, coach, since you know what everyone says, it's now with everyone. You just Scotty like, here's even Scotty 1 to 6 and they send you a new putter cover. Even though I know this is a special one.

Yeah, but we made one. It's got a it looks like a fluke. And this guy, a double team. Sick, sick. That's what I hope you guys know. When we played in Meridian he make seven on the last hole and still wins I had the T ball right. And then the second shot left. Penalty seven. Yeah. Was it was like how he got a few more to play with.

Just just wasn't very popular. Just you know. Yeah. Just get the ball in the hole in a cushion there. I've never been more happy with a triple in his life. I try to make it a little bit exciting on the last. Ended up making a decent number, but, looking forward to the next couple of tournaments. Thank you, thank you, thank you.

Can I go home now? I feel like you guys play a completely different schedule from. Well, I guess what I did a couple years ago. Right. What's that, like? Covered cluster cover we have playing cover. Yeah. So my last year I qualified for Bay Hill. Yeah. So I played Bay Hill same week, so I couldn't go to Cabo.

Yeah. And that was the one time in four years I missed the tournament. And that was the one time we decided, hey, Mike's going to take us on the plane. Wallace, you were going to stay in his house. We're going to do all those things. I got coach on this one tournament for years. Bay Hills, a consolation prize.

I took the exact. Yeah, it was still a come on, man down one. I guess if you're here. Yeah I think oh, yeah. So there's one this big lake. Have you ever seen this? Oh I know, have you heard about 17 years of island? Great. Yeah. Do the best thing is this picture I saw. Somebody was talking about that.

Yeah. And it was like the lions. That's awesome. So like, this is like, I use it all the time is the best thing in the world. Right. So like this line here is this line this line here this slide. Yeah. What do we got Joe. 3230 3146. It's just a three wasn't it.

Yeah. So like if you missed the fairway you just got a lay up somewhere around here because you can't really go there. You never go there. No I mean you're both disappears. At least don't miss the fairway. This is 50. Yeah. There's not a lot of strategy from this. Nothing. You just chip it up. Look at it. It's quite cool to see also that we have kind of like the same strategy how we think.

So it means that, you know, we're not that far from them. It's such a nice like down to earth guys. Someone like you want to root for, which makes it easy to kind of be friendly. And he's honestly kind of takes a wing on us, embraces us, and makes it enjoyable to be here. And he's easy to talk to. I think it's great.

ALTHOUGH IT WASN'T THE SUNDAY FINISH HE WANTED, LUDVIG CONTINUES TO PUT HIMSELF IN CONTENTION IN THE GAME'S BIGGEST STAGES, AND WILL BE SEARCHING FOR HIS BETTER THAN MOST MOMENT IN MANY PLAYERS APPEARANCES TO COME.

On. Johnny that's better than most. How about in that is better than most. Better than most. What I like is you see Tiger start to raise his putter when the ball is about six feet short

at all. It's like, wait a minute, how do you know that's going in? Can you guys believe it's been 25 years since this?

Yes and no. Yeah, I was going to say it's hard to imagine that it's been that long, but, time moves on and the Tigers 50 now, so yeah, it all makes sense. Time has flown by and but when you get something that memorable and you just kind of get back in that moment, it was like it was yesterday.

When Johnny, we hear this is a nine iron, I've got to think it's just a smooth one at that. Oh, look at this. I'm surprised at that club selection. Well, I tell you what, if all Tiger gets this one down into. Will you believe in him? I will believe it. I believe, I believe some of our best commentary is in the commercial here.

Yes, over that hill. It's still. I mean, if he can get it within 6 or 7, eight feet of the hole, he's done great. I mean, that captures a perfect. It does. I mean, that was our honest feelings, right? It was. Well and, you know, again, just based on what I had seen earlier in the day, I mean, if he were to have gotten that putt within 6 or 7, eight feet of the hole, it would have been remarkable.

But you could kind of tell that none of us expected it to go. No, the odds were not even with Tiger. A gave his ability.

Johnny, that's better than most. How about in that is better than most. Better than most. I'm in my tower 150 yards away. Yeah, the hair on my arms were standing up. We were in the 18th tower. We can always hear roars over there from 70 because it's not too far away. But I remember taking my headset off and just absorbing this thunder that we heard here.

It remains the best call, the best moment at the Players Championship. There's been a lot of good ones. It'll house Sutton and, you know, be the right club. There's a lot of that. But nothing has come close to this. And I dare venture to say that if this championship is played for 100 more years, I cannot see any more perfect scenario.

So you're part of some great history, but I appreciate it. Thanks. So we have one more clip. This is Tiger's reaction from other cooler parts about it for me. I got to get a big kick out of it is when Johnny thinks it's, you know, because could of you hear better than most and and then all of a sudden how about in and right at that moment you see this little this little putter go right across the screen because the guy from behind the green, he zoomed in on the ball.

You see his putter go right across the screen here. That's me. Walk left and then throw a big fist pump. What was better? The putter. The call. Oh, that's a loaded question. Yeah, it is a

loaded question. But I think I made this statement. Safe to say you can hit that putt 50 times, maybe make it once.

I probably could have said you could hit it 100 times and probably make it once. If the putt isn't hit, the call doesn't happen. So I would have to say the putts better than the call. I'll say this. I'll say the call matched the putt. Oh, because that's not easy to get it right. You're given only these small little moments.

And in Gary's 30 year broadcast career, whatever it was to kind of come through, you get one shot. The second set clicking buys, this thing is rolling, snaking its way, and you can screw that up in a hurry. Believe me, this is live television. Or you can just do it. Not as well. Or you can not have the magic of the three better than most calls in between.

Johnny's call. I mean, a lot of other stuff could have happened, but I don't think it could have been done any better. And so I think the call match the putt. I joke off and it'll be on my tombstone than most, and it wouldn't be a bad thing. Well, that's true is certainly the most exciting moment, the most, enjoyable moment.

You know, looking back at it now, again, pride in how it was presented, not just me, but the entire team, as Dan mentioned, Johnny and myself setting it up and, you know, taking the time to to do it right. It's clearly the highlight of my broadcast, no doubt about.

THE TOUR CONTINUES ITS FLORIDA SWING, LET'S TAKE A LOOK AT WHO THE EXPERTS HAVE THEIR EYE ON THIS WEEK

Well, Florida swing wrapped this week at the Valspar Championship, and we've been getting your one and done winner's picks all season long. So who do you have? No doubt about it. This week I'm going with Xander Schauffele. Let's talk about course history here. He's played here three of the last four years. Worst finish Alex tied for 12.

One other thing. What is and are known for his number. That strong iron play out of all the rounds we have registered in the strokes game category in his career on the PGA tour, he had his second best round ever last week. Friday. The players give me some Zander.

THE TOUR HEADS BACK TO THE COPPERHEAD COURSE THIS WEEK, BUT LET'S TAKE ONE FINAL LOOK AT THE CELEBRATION OF OUR NEW PLAYERS CHAMPION

So any questions here. Have a great day for myself.

I this early morning you know the way it be. Yeah yeah. We got to take a quick picture okay boys. Yeah I want to take a picture here. You want to hold the trophy? You want to hold it here? Right here. Right here. If someone said and put the house on the white House, you know, in a lot of my high finishes on the PGA tour, I've been beaten today.

I feel like it was a great mental test. Just how much can you linger? You know, how much can you keep yourself in the tournament and see what happens? Hello. You almost finesse. That's right. Way to go. Come on. Thanks for coming. Thank you. Thanks for the phenomenal appreciate that. And you know having birdie at 17 and then sitting there with a chance to win.

You know right there in my hands on 18 I felt like my goal was to end it right there. And it started with the best tee shot of my life. I want to know. I'm good. Thank you. Yeah. You got a 4.5 hour drive. Oh, my gosh, driving.

My father's been my coach my whole life. So to to get to live out some of these moments with him is incredibly special. My thought was, hey, let's let's hit the best shot of your life. And, I think I did in the back of my mind, I got to keep my calm. And I had to qualify for the U.S. open last year, which was, painful.

And to be where I am now. I'm incredibly grateful for that. And, you know, while it's not permission to take your foot off the gas, it is nice to just have some amount of freedom to, you know, kind of go about things the way that I want to and not feel like I have to rush anything. Right? Yeah, yeah.

All right. Crazy. Yeah. Well done. Thank you, I appreciate. Thanks. I gave your mom a big hug. Yeah. Tears. Oh. I'm sure. Yeah. I haven't even seen. I've. I literally shook my dad's hand and ran away, and that was so proud. Yeah, yeah. Thank you. Right. Yeah, I made it. Sir, you hold up. Okay. Yeah. I'm good.

Yeah. This is different. That's pretty cool. There's another guy up there. I can't remember who it was. I can't hear very. Wow. This is pretty cool. Yeah. That's pretty. That's ridiculous. How far back is, like, a few seconds more. So that was fast. I was like, wow, it's a pretty good painting. I didn't even know this room was here to be really nice.

I did not know. Well, yeah, I've never looked this way and now I do. It's pretty cool. You get to come. Do they have any clue what's going on? No, I have no idea. They don't care one bit. Thank you so much. Appreciate it. Graduations. Thank you. Appreciate it James a lot. Thank you very much. That was a comfy chair is it.

Yes. Okay. So cool. All right. Perfect. That's a wrap. So excellent.

