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**Open (Gooch)**

GOOCH SOT: A pretty simple guy from Oklahoma. I love my family. I love my friends. I love what I do. I love food. I love my pups.

GOOCH SOT: “my dad, growing up, going to the course with him I kind of always joked that my dad was changing my diapers on the course. from when I was yay high, I was out there with him.”

GOOCH SOT: “I guess it's kind of a destiny thing that I've always known that this is what I wanted to do.” [Return to index of stories...](file:///C:\\Users\\taylorl\\OneDrive%20-%20PGA%20TOUR%20INC\\Desktop\\x2019%20Inside%20the%20PGA%20TOUR%20%2339%20(Houston).HTM" \l "StoryIndex)

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**Talor Gooch Feature**

NATS: Whistling

GOOCH SOT: There's a reason why I didn't move to Jupiter or move to Scottsdale, the golf meccas. When I'm not on the road, I want to be with the people that I love and care about and I'm fortunate that about everyone I love and care about is here in Oklahoma. So it's nice when I'm home, to come home to the love and support.

Abby Brooks SOT: We just kind of strip away golf away. And I think us just being around family and friends, hanging out with our dogs and each other, that's really just some of the best times.

NATS: “Man this feels good”

**AS THE SON OF A FORMER PROFESSIONAL BASEBALL PLAYER AND AVID GOLFER, TALOR GOOCH GREW UP WITH A LOVE FOR BOTH.**

GOOCH SOT: “There's nothing cooler than telling your friends. Hey, my dad was a pro ball player. it was awesome.”

Ron Gooch SOT I would come home from work, on my way to the golf course, and his clubs would be sitting out there waiting So we went to the course every day.

Ambre Gooch SOT: Everywhere I'd go, I'd almost run into somebody who had seen that kid at the golf course practicing early in the morning or late in the evening. And I'd get questioned about, you just drop him off? Is he there all day? And he was, it was like that.

**AFTER PLAYING COLLEGIATELY AT OKLAHOMA STATE, GOOCH TURNED PRO IN 2014, AND PLAYED TWO YEARS ON THE MACKENZIE TOUR PGA TOUR CANADA BEFORE JOINING THE KORN FERRY TOUR IN 2017 WHERE HE CAPTURED HIS FIRST WIN ON THE WAY TO EARNING HIS PGA TOUR CARD.**

GOOCH SOT" It was a lot of growth. It was a lot of failure. It was a lot of learning. When I first turned pro, I didn't have any status anywhere. I had to work my way up through the system. The Rickie Fowlers, the Jon Rahms, those guys that come out firing right away. And straight to the tour, that's not your normal case scenario.”

**LAST SEASON GOOCH CAME INTO HIS OWN POSTING A PAIR OF TOP 5 FINISHES, EARNING A FIRST BERTH IN THE FEDEXCUP PLAYOFFS AND FINISHING 101ST IN THE FINAL STANDINGS.**

GOOCH SOT when you're on the road and golf's all you're doing, when you get back, you kinda want to just decompress and just hang out for a bit. But when I get back into it, I play every day.

NATS: “We’re at my home course growing up as a kid John Conrad regional golf course”

GOOCH SOT: It's not your typical country club, we'll just say that. But it's home for me, and it's where I learned how to play golf, so there's a lot of good memories

NATS: there’s a fence out there at the back of the range and behind that fence is the 17th hole as a kid I vividly remember I would hit my driver through the fence. I felt like superman”

GOOCH SOT: this game, there's gonna be adversity. And you just have to learn how to deal with it and push through it. But if you just have faith in what you're doing on a daily and weekly basis and have the patience to know that years and years of hard work is gonna pay off. I just gotta be prepared cuz when my times comes, I'm gonna be ready. [Return to index of stories...](file:///C:\\Users\\taylorl\\OneDrive%20-%20PGA%20TOUR%20INC\\Desktop\\x2019%20Inside%20the%20PGA%20TOUR%20%2339%20(Houston).HTM" \l "StoryIndex)

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**Na Week at Shriners**

NATS: "She only plays golf when I'm around"

NATS: "Whoaaa"

**LAST WEEK BEFORE THE SHRINERS HOSPITALS FOR CHILDREN OPEN, LOCAL RESIDENT KEVIN NA TOOK ADVANTAGE OF HIS TIME AT HOME.**

NATS: When I'm practicing she will always want to come practice

NATS: Laughing, clapping, woah

NATS: This is Kevin at the Shriners open in 2011

**NA THEN PAID A SURPRISE VISIT TO 17 YEAR OLD ALEC CABACUNGAN**

NATS: From long range

**A SHRINERS PATIENT AND AN ASPIRING SPORTSCASTER.**

NATS: "there it goes. Fist pump”

NATS: "Hey what’s up, Hey how are you did you like that putt. That was the start of my career, my first win right there. See that emotion pop out huh?"

NATS: "Yeah that was nice."

NATS: "Great meeting you, all the best to you, and I hope your dreams come true".

NATS: "Yes Thank you so much".

**ONCE PLAY BEGAN THURSDAY, NA WAS AT HOME ON TPC SUMMERLIN'S GREENS**

ANNC: "he continues to absolutely fill it up with the putter"

**HE FINISHED WITH 558 FEET 11 INCHES OF TOTAL PUTTS MADE, THE MOST RECORDED SINCE SHOTLINK BEGAN IN 2003.**

NA SOT: I'm a player that I feel like I get better as I get closer to the greens. That's a strength of my game, a part of my game.

Putter got hot this week. Tends to do that sometimes, and when it does, if I'm hitting it halfway decent I feel like I can win.

**WHEN IT CAME DOWN TO A PLAYOFF WITH PATRICK CANTLAY FOR THE WIN, NA'S PUTTER DIDN'T LET HIM DOWN.**

ANNC: "Na doubling down in Vegas, wins Shriners for the second time in his career."

NA PRESSER - It feels great. Yeah, it' a place where I got my first win. Hometown, local support. What more can you ask for? My family was here. My father got to see me win for the first time in his life. Very special day. [Return to index of stories...](file:///C:\\Users\\taylorl\\OneDrive%20-%20PGA%20TOUR%20INC\\Desktop\\x2019%20Inside%20the%20PGA%20TOUR%20%2339%20(Houston).HTM" \l "StoryIndex)

**FedExCup Standings-gfx**

**NA’S FOURTH CAREER VICTORY ALSO MADE HIM ONLY THE SECOND MULTIPLE WINNER AT THE SHRINERS HOSPITALS FOR CHILDREN OPEN, AND HE ROSE TO SECOND IN THE FEDEXCUP STANDINGS.** [Return to index of stories...](file:///C:\\Users\\taylorl\\OneDrive%20-%20PGA%20TOUR%20INC\\Desktop\\x2019%20Inside%20the%20PGA%20TOUR%20%2339%20(Houston).HTM" \l "StoryIndex)

**Wyndham Rewards Top 10-gfx**

**AND HE TRAILS SEBASTIAN MUNOZ FOR THE TOP SPOT IN THE WYNDHAM REWARDS TOP 10. IT’S NA’S FIRST TIME IN THE TOP 10 IN THAT REGULAR SEASON COMPETITION.** [Return to index of stories...](file:///C:\\Users\\taylorl\\OneDrive%20-%20PGA%20TOUR%20INC\\Desktop\\x2019%20Inside%20the%20PGA%20TOUR%20%2339%20(Houston).HTM" \l "StoryIndex)

**Bump #1 (Backspin)**

**STILL AHEAD…**

SCOTT SOT - the generations evolve

STEVE DIMEGLIO SOT - they have a boat load of confidence.

**THE BACKSPIN CONTINUES, WITH 10 YEARS OF PLAYERS IN THEIR 20'S.**

FINAU SOT - a lot of us are products of Tiger.

THOMAS SOT - we're really good, / and we're very focused and determined [Return to index of stories...](file:///C:\Users\taylorl\OneDrive%20-%20PGA%20TOUR%20INC\Desktop\x2019%20Inside%20the%20PGA%20TOUR%20%2339%20(Houston).HTM#StoryIndex)

**ServPro Vignette**

**INSIDE PRESENTS, BOUNCING BACK**

**DURING THE FINAL ROUND OF THE SHRINERS HOSPITALS FOR CHILDREN OPEN, KEVIN NA STRUGGLED TO START THE BACK 9 – WITH A TRIPLE BOGEY ON THE 10TH**

ANNC: "Wow that is a 3-putt triple. The lead has gone from 4 to 1."

**BUT NA BOUNCED BACK WITH 3 BIRDIES AFTER THE TRIPLE TO REGAIN THOSE STROKES, FORCING A PLAYOFF WHERE HE'D CAPTURE HIS 4TH CAREER PGA TOUR VICTORY**

ANNC: "Kevin Na on the 2nd playoff hole. 2nd win of the calendar year." [Return to index of stories...](file:///C:\\Users\\taylorl\\OneDrive%20-%20PGA%20TOUR%20INC\\Desktop\\x2019%20Inside%20the%20PGA%20TOUR%20%2339%20(Houston).HTM" \l "StoryIndex)

**Backspin Intro**

**IT'S BEEN A DECADE OF CHANGE ON THE PGA TOUR…**

ANNC: "Wins the FedExCup!"

**NEW CHAMPIONS RISING…**

ANNC: He is the man to beat!"

ANNC: "Oh he's done it again!"

**WHILE LEGENDS BUILT ON THEIR LEGACIES.**

ANNC: "Phil at his finest!"

ANNC: "Tiger Woods is a PLAYERS Champion again!"

**FOR 10 YEARS, DEFINING MOMENTS HAVE BEEN ADDED TO THE HALLS OF GOLF'S HISTORY.**

ANNC: "We thought we'd never see it!"

ANNC: "This kid has come a long way indeed."

**THIS IS THE BACKSPIN**. [Return to index of stories...](file:///C:\\Users\\taylorl\\OneDrive%20-%20PGA%20TOUR%20INC\\Desktop\\x2019%20Inside%20the%20PGA%20TOUR%20%2339%20(Houston).HTM" \l "StoryIndex)

**Backspin: 20's**

ANNC – "What a finish by McIlroy!" "Jordan Spieth!" "Jason Day!"

SNEDEKER SOT - the decade in golf can almost be defined with the passing of the torch, in a sense. you have these young group of kids coming out here, who are unbelievable.

ANNC: "They just keep coming!" "Brooks Koepka!" "Rickie Fowler!"

SNEDEKER SOT: It's almost like the game's kind of turning itself over to a different breed of superstars

**THIS NEW BREED MADE FREQUENT TRIPS TO THE WINNER'S CIRCLE THROUGHOUT THE DECADE. PLAYERS IN THEIR 20'S AND YOUNGER CAPTURED 195 TITLES, THE MOST IN A 10 YEAR PERIOD SINCE 1980.**

SCOTT SOT: “the generations evolve and the learning curve is way quicker because of that. So, these guys are really ready to play out here and mix it.

STEVE DIMEGLIO SOT: “the college programs are so much better now. And then you have the Korn Ferry Tour. That's a great learning experience for these guys and get ready for the PGA Tour and they have a boat load of confidence.”

**AND THATCONFIDENCE SHOWED IN THE BIGGEST EVENTS FOR THIS GROUP, CAPTURING 21 MAJOR TITLES, 16 WGC'S, 5 FEDEXCUPS, AND 5 PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIPS, THE MOST RECENT FROM THE PLAYER TO WIN THE MOST IN HIS 20'S THIS DECADE, RORY MCILROY.**

ANNC: “and Rory McIlroy is a Players champion”

**THIS SUCCESS CAN IN PART BE ATTRIBUTED TO THEIR INSPIRATION**

FINAU SOT: “a lot of us are products of Tiger. And there's so many great players now. And the game is gonna grow because of, I think, the way that we act and the way that we play.”

ANNC "through the years we’ve been talking about Justin Thomas and Jordan Spieth and all those other guys…these guys in the high school class of 2011. Pretty impressive."

**THE 2011 GRADS AMASSED 30 WINS, 4 ROOKIE OF THE YEAR AWARDS, 2 PLAYER OF THE YEAR AWARDS, AND 2 FEDEXCUP TITLES.**

THOMAS SOT: “I'm not saying that other guys can't do that, but we're really good, we work really hard and we're very focused and determined. our class is going to go down as one of the best of all times. And potentially maybe the best ever.”

**IN PARTICULAR, JUSTIN THOMAS AND JORDAN SPIETH EMERGED AS TWO SUPERSTARS FROM THEIR CLASS. THOMAS WON 10 TIMES, HALF OF THEM COMING IN HIS DYNAMIC 2017 SEASON.**

THOMAS SOT: “I was obviously thrilled and I had achieved what's probably gonna be one of the better years of my career at the end of it, but I still felt like I could improve. the want to always be better and to be the best in the world is kind of what drives me”

**THAT DRIVE IS REFLECTED IN SPIETH, WHO BURST OUT OF THE GATES AS A 19-YEAR OLD IN 2013.**

ANNC: “goodness gracious”

**GOING ON TO WIN 11 TIMES, WHICH INCLUDED HIS OWN 5 WIN SEASON IN 2015, ARGUABLY ONE OF THE BEST IN THE DECADE.**

SPIETH SOT: “It was a magical 12 months. I had such a blast playing golf and I look back on it like it was the best thing that ever happened to me in my career.”

ANNC: “The year of Spieth comes to a close.”

FRANK NOBILO SOT: 2015, it broke the mold. And sometimes you gotta break the mold and then look at it and let it be built up again. And it's being built up by some young players.

LEISHMAN SOT: “Jordan Spieth, Justin Thomas started that. Come straight out of college, and won so we've got a good batch here of guys coming out now that looks like they're gonna be around for a long time.”

**EVEN AS THE DECADE'S DOMINANT PLAYERS BEGAN ENTERING THEIR 30'S, 2019 PROVIDED GLIMPSES OF A NEW GENERATION RISING.**

ANNC: “oh he puts it in!”

**MATTHEW WOLFF, COLLIN MORIKAWA, CAMERON CHAMP, AND JOAQUIN NIEMANN HAVE CAPTURED TITLES IN THEIR EARLY 20'S, WITH OTHER PROMISING NEWCOMERS ON THE HORIZON.**

ANCER SOT: “even though they're 19, 20, or 22 years old, they're just not scared of shooting low numbers against their competitors. I feel like ten years ago that was really never the case.

ANNC: “A Champ again!”

FRANK NOBILO SOT - these guys believe. And I think it's ushering what's gonna happen next. There's no reason why, anything is possible, they're believers now. [Return to index of stories...](file:///C:\\Users\\taylorl\\OneDrive%20-%20PGA%20TOUR%20INC\\Desktop\\x2019%20Inside%20the%20PGA%20TOUR%20%2339%20(Houston).HTM" \l "StoryIndex)

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**Houston 4Ball**

**THE TOUR HEADS TO TEXAS FOR THE FIRST OF FIVE STOPS IN THE LONESTAR STATE THIS SEASON, AND INSIDE HAS A FOUR BALL OF FACTS TO GET YOU PRIMED FOR THE HOUSTON OPEN.**

**THE TOURNAMENT COURSE AT THE GOLF CLUB OF HOUSTON WILL HOST THE EVENT FOR THE 14TH AND FINAL TIME THIS WEEK AS THE TOURNAMENT MOVES TO HISTORIC MEMORIAL PARK GOLF COURSE NEXT SEASON. EXPECT TO SEE A LOT OF RED NUMBERS AS THE COURSE PLAYED AS THE 10TH EASIEST TRACK ON TOUR IN 2018.**

**THERE ARE SIX PAST CHAMPIONS IN THE FIELD THIS WEEK WHO COULD JOIN THE SELECT GROUP OF 9 MULTIPLE WINNERS OF THE EVENT, A LIST THAT INCLUDES WORLD GOLF HALL OF FAME MEMBERS VIJAY SINGH, CURTIS STRANGE, AND THE KING HIMSELF, ARNOLD PALMER.**

**IT'S HAMMER TIME IN HOUSTON AS 19-YEAR-OLD HOUSTON NATIVE COLE HAMMER WILL MAKE HIS FIRST NON-MAJOR PGA TOUR START PLAYING ON A SPONSOR'S EXEMPTION. A STANDOUT SOPHMORE FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, HAMMER RECENTLY WON THE MARK H. McCORMACK MEDAL AS THE NUMBER ONE RANKED AMATEUR IN THE WORLD.**

**HAMMER JOINS A STRONG CONTINGENT OF TEXANS LOOKING TO TAKE HOME THE HARDWARE IN HOUSTON AND IN DOING SO JOIN AN EXCLUSIVE CLUB. SINCE 1946 ONLY SIX HOUSTON OPEN CHAMPIONS HAVE HAILED FROM LONE STAR STATE. THE LAST WAS JOHNSON WAGNER IN 2008.** [Return to index of stories...](file:///C:\\Users\\taylorl\\OneDrive%20-%20PGA%20TOUR%20INC\\Desktop\\x2019%20Inside%20the%20PGA%20TOUR%20%2339%20(Houston).HTM" \l "StoryIndex)

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**This week on TOUR-gfx**

**AFTER A SEASON WITH ONLY 3 PLAYOFFS, THE 2018-19 CAMPAIGN ALREADY HAS TWO IN THE BOOKS. THE HOUSTON OPEN HAS GONE TO EXTRA HOLES 3 OF THE LAST 5 EVENTS.** [Return to index of stories...](file:///C:\\Users\\taylorl\\OneDrive%20-%20PGA%20TOUR%20INC\\Desktop\\x2019%20Inside%20the%20PGA%20TOUR%20%2339%20(Houston).HTM" \l "StoryIndex)

**Bump #2 (Scheffler)**

**UP NEXT…**

SPIETH SOT: "I have no doubt that he'll be a force here on the PGA Tour"

**WINNING TEXAS ROOTS RUN DEEP FOR THIS PGA TOUR ROOKIE**

SCHEFFLER SOT: Learning how to win is still the same skill and so being able to do it at each level definitely gives me a lot of confidence [Return to index of stories...](file:///C:\\Users\\taylorl\\OneDrive%20-%20PGA%20TOUR%20INC\\Desktop\\x2019%20Inside%20the%20PGA%20TOUR%20%2339%20(Houston).HTM" \l "StoryIndex)

**RSM Vignette**

**THROUGH THE FALL TOURNAMENTS, THE BIRDIES FORE LOVE CHARITY COMPETITION DONATES FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS EACH WEEK ON BEHALF OF THE PLAYER WITH THE MOST BIRDIES OR BETTER TO A CHARITY OF THEIR CHOICE.**

ANNC: “Got the quick walk! That's great."

**OVER THE WEEK AT THE SHRINERS HOSPITALS FOR CHILDREN OPEN, KEVIN NA CARDED 28 BIRDIES OR BETTER IN HIS FOUR ROUNDS TO WIN THE WEEKLY PRIZE.**

NA SOT: “There’s a lot of people that could use that money, I’ll play hard for the rest of the year and the next few events I’ll be playing and make sure it goes to a good cause.”

**AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE RSM CLASSIC, THREE OVERALL WINNERS WILL BE CHOSEN WITH FIRST PLACE RECEIVING THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND, SECOND PLACE ONE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND AND THIRD PLACE FIFTY THOUSAND BUCKS ALL TO BE DONATED TO A CHARITY IN THEIR NAME.** [Return to index of stories...](file:///C:\\Users\\taylorl\\OneDrive%20-%20PGA%20TOUR%20INC\\Desktop\\x2019%20Inside%20the%20PGA%20TOUR%20%2339%20(Houston).HTM" \l "StoryIndex)

**INSIDE Rejoin**

**Up and Down Intro**

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**Up and Down Wyndham Clark**

"We just get along. We're always laughing, always joking. And then, obviously we're serious at times too. So we have a great relationship.

**THIS WEEK, AS WYNDHAM CLARK ENTERS HIS SOPHOMORE SEASON ON THE PGA TOUR, WE LOOK BACK AT HIS JOURNEY TO GET HERE WITH 2 OF HIS CLOSEST FRIENDS**

"We all just kind of became this little crew that we hung out with and we liked to play cards and play golf together.”

“watch football games, whatever it was. And so we kind of struck up this relationship and, we've then gotten even closer as, I turned pro and then John, came out on tour with me and is now my caddy and we have an awesome relationship and, it's I've been very fortunate and blessed to have these guys in my life.”

"From time to time Wyndham gets a little babyish out there. So therefore, I keep this little pacifier in the bag. And when he gets a little whiny I'll bring this thing out and say do you need this?

“It's pretty good. It is good, it kind of shuts me up real quick”

**TAKING HIM TO HIT HIS FIRST GOLF BALL AT THE AGE OF 3, WYNDHAM'S FAMILY HAS BEEN HIS BIGGEST MOTIVATION THROUGHOUT HIS CAREER**

“I was three years old and my mom was pregnant with my brother and I was being a little brat 3 year old, and she was overwhelmed and so she took me to a range thinking that would be a great place for her to relax, she's pregnant so she took me to the range and 2 to 3 buckets later I was like I love this game

My mom passed away after my freshman year, 2013.

she would always tell me when I'd go out there to play big and play for something bigger than myself.

As my mom got sick and in her last few days, I was in the US Amateur.

And she knew how big it was to me, or how important it was. And I said, Mom, I'm not gonna go. But she's like, no, I want you to go, I know how important it is. I'm like, Mom, so it was a very emotional time. But she said, all right, well, can you promise one thing?

Just to always just play big and play for something bigger than yourself?

I'm still writing my story out here on tour. And I hope that one day I have a really big platform and I can share my mom's story more and it just reminds me and brings me back to kind of why I’m doing this and where all my motivation comes from. [Return to index of stories...](file:///C:\\Users\\taylorl\\OneDrive%20-%20PGA%20TOUR%20INC\\Desktop\\x2019%20Inside%20the%20PGA%20TOUR%20%2339%20(Houston).HTM" \l "StoryIndex)

**Myrbetriq Vignette**

**INSIDE PRESENTS, MUST SEE MOMENTS**

**THIS WEEK'S MOMENT CAME FROM KEVIN NA, AS HE SANK A CLUTCH PAR PUTT ON THE 17TH EN ROUTE TO A VICTORY AT TPC SUMMERLIN**

ANNC: "Good ness! The putter has been the MVP in is golf bag this week and it comes through again on 17." [Return to index of stories...](file:///C:\\Users\\taylorl\\OneDrive%20-%20PGA%20TOUR%20INC\\Desktop\\x2019%20Inside%20the%20PGA%20TOUR%20%2339%20(Houston).HTM" \l "StoryIndex)

**Art Card (Scheffler)**

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**Scottie Scheffler Feature**

ANNC: "He's one of the those guys that has potential to win right away on the PGA TOUR. He's that good."

**IN HIS FIRST THREE STARTS ON THE PGA TOUR THIS FALL, SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER ALREADY HAS A TOP 10 AND TOP 25 FINISH.**

SCHEFFLER SOT: I feel like that's always been a good trait for me, is knowing how to win and it's really the same in every level

**THE PGA TOUR ROOKIE HAS SOME DEEP TEXAN ROOTS… STEMMING FROM HIS HIGH SCHOOL CAREER. EARLIER THIS YEAR, HE RETURNED AND REFLECTED ON WHERE IT ALL BEGAN.**

SCHEFFLER SOT: “it's a little weird. I don't think I've been back since I graduated. but it's nice being able to go over these memories with coach and see him again

LOYD SOT: This is the team trophy from the 2013 state championship at Onion Creek down in Austin. Winning the team state championship is the main goal and when we get an individual, that happens to win individually, it's a little bit of icing on the cake.

**HE LED HIS TEAM TO A TEXAS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP… AND CAPTURED THREE INDIVIDUAL STATE TITLES…LIKE ANOTHER NOTABLE TEXAN.**

ANNC: "The resume impressive. Jordan Spieth the only to do it before him."

SCHEFFLER SOT: winning state my sophomore year was definitely a good stepping stone for the rest of my high school career. But I didn't really put much thought into winning individually just because we play and travel as a team, And so basically our goal was just to be able to win as a team

ANNC: "A lot of comparisons made to a couple of Longhorns."

**ANOTHER CONNECTION BETWEEN THE TWO DALLAS NATIVES, A UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS EDUCATION, WHERE SCHEFFLER'S ROOTS WERE FURTHER MOLDED.**

SCHEFFLER SOT: Texas was a lot of fun. there's a winning tradition, at Texas and it's great to be a part of that program.

SCHEFFLER SOT: something that I learned in college was being present where you are. so when you're at work, which is for me on the golf course, I'm at work and practicing and doing what I need to do. Then when I get home I get to have fun, I'm not thinking about golf.

**LAST SEASON ON THE KORN FERRY TOUR, SCHEFFLER TOOK HOME TWO VICTORIES AND WAS ANNOUNCED THIS WEEK AS THE 2019 KORN FERRY TOUR PLAYER OF THE YEAR.**

SPIETH SOT: it didn't take long for him to become a national sensation and I have no doubt that he'll be a force here on the PGA Tour and certainly be somebody who wins and wins often and soon. [Return to index of stories...](file:///C:\\Users\\taylorl\\OneDrive%20-%20PGA%20TOUR%20INC\\Desktop\\x2019%20Inside%20the%20PGA%20TOUR%20%2339%20(Houston).HTM" \l "StoryIndex)

**Rookie Update**

**SCHEFFLER IS ONE OF 20 ROOKIES IN THE FIELD IN HOUSTON. HE’S ONE OF 3 ROOKIES, INCLUDING HARRY HIGGS AND SCOTT HARRINGTON, CURRENTLY RANKED INSIDE THE TOP 70 OF THE FEDEXCUP STANDINGS.**

ANNC: "harry already looks like a guy that's been out here for 25 years”

HIGGS: “I feel I'm ready to go. Right now, I don't know that I'm ready to be the best player in the world, or win the FedEx cup, or win the PGA Tour event. But I feel like I'm ready to stack up at that level.”

ANNC: "Its hard to win on the PGA TOUR, whether you've got multiple wins under your belt or you're a rookie, you have to play great golf."

HARRINGTON SOT: “whatever you're doing in life, you wanna go up against the best, And that's what I'm most excited to do. I feel like my game is ready for it, And I think I'm gonna stack up pretty well.” [Return to index of stories...](file:///C:\\Users\\taylorl\\OneDrive%20-%20PGA%20TOUR%20INC\\Desktop\\x2019%20Inside%20the%20PGA%20TOUR%20%2339%20(Houston).HTM" \l "StoryIndex)

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