**PGA TOUR ORIGINALS: ONE SHOT AWAY – Master Script**

**First Event Mic’d Up**

NAT: “What’s that? It’s a dragonfly. They don’t bite. Well they might try and bite you. Come on let’s see you roast one. Oh machine. It’s nice to be back.”

**Show Open + Logo Animation**

ANNC: "PGA TOUR cards up for grabs!"

**THESE ARE THE PGA TOUR'S PROVING GROUNDS.**

ANNC: "Can you step up and make one of the most important putts of your career."

ANNC: "A TOUR level test."

WU SOT: "You just gotta really grind stay consistent, staying patient."

**IN A GRUELING SEASON...**

ANNC: It is gut wrenching for those guys out there. Seems to be in shock with what just happened."

**TOUR HOPEFULS ARE SHARPENED INTO CHAMPIONS.**

RUFFELS SOT: "There's a lot of pressure it's a great opportunity for us to get to where we ultimately want to go."

ANNC: "The singular goal remains the same. To earn a PGA TOUR card."

**ON THE KORN FERRY TOUR… THEY ARE ALL… JUST ONE SHOT AWAY...**

**Player Intros 1**

**AS THE NEXT WAVE NAVIGATES THE CHALLENGING ROAD AHEAD, 'ONE SHOT AWAY' WILL FOLLOW THE SEASON-LONG TRAJECTORY OF SEVERAL PGA TOUR HOPEFULS – EACH NAVIGATING THEIR OWN UNIQUE JOURNEY.**

ANNC: "Callum Tarren, 29-year-old, 2nd year in a row on the Korn Ferry Tour. Won PGA TOUR Series China in 2018."

**ENGLAND’S CALLUM TARREN IS KNOWN FOR WEARING HIS HEART ON HIS SLEEVE…**

NAT: “Aww that’s huge.”

TARREN SOT: “It’s a strong tour. The competition’s so deep. I’ve got a full year to try and prove myself really.”

**AND BRINGS WITH HIM A FOCUSED INTENSITY INSIDE THE ROPES.**

NAT: “Sit!”

**AUSTRALIAN RYAN RUFFELS IS NO STRANGER TO HIGH EXPECTIONS AFTER HE TURNED PRO AT SEVENTEEN. NOW A 5-YEAR PRO, HE'S SEEKING TO CAPITALIZE ON HIS TALENT AND REPLICATE THE SUCCESS HE ONCE ENJOYED AS A HIGHLY-TOUTED AMATEUR.**

**AS IS 23-YEAR-OLD BRADEN THORNBERRY – THE FORMER NUMBER ONE AMATEUR IN THE WORLD – AND WHOSE HOMEGROWN SWING STANDS OUT FROM THE CROWD.**

THORNBERRY SOT: “I’m just gonna try and make tweaks get a little more consistent but overall keep what I have and keep improving year after year.”

**THE FORMER OLE MISS STANDOUT WILL AIM TO CARRY MOMENTUM FROM A SUCCESSFUL COLLEGE CAREER – MUCH LIKE CHICAGO NATIVE NICK HARDY.**

ANNC: "Former standout at the University of Illinois."

HARDY SOT: "I take a lot of what we learned at Illinois into what I do now as a professional especially because everything that we learned and did at Illinois was for eventually turning pro.”

**AND AFTER JUST MISSING OUT ON THE TASTE OF VICTORY A SEASON AGO**, **DYLAN WU RETURNS FOR HIS 2ND YEAR ON THE KORN FERRY TOUR – EAGER TO MAKE THE LEAP AND CLOSE THE DEAL.**

WU SOT: "One of the things is just to be more consistent. When you have such a long season and have such so many events every shot does matter, no matter what day it is."

**KFT Explanation (Part 1) + Covid 19**

**SINCE 1990, THE KORN FERRY TOUR HAS ACTED AS THE PRIMARY PATHWAY TO GOLF'S MOST PRESTIGIOUS PLATFORM.**

KUCHAR SOT: "We've seen so many guys do so well that have graduated off the Korn Ferry Tour. And it's proven to be the best proving ground."

SNEDEKER SOT: "That tour provided me a PGA TOUR experience to get my game and myself ready to be able to play against the best players in the world."

SCHEFFLER SOT: "It's a grind. It's not very glamorous like it is on the PGA TOUR."

GRIFFIN SOT: "If you work hard and you keep knocking on the door, eventually you're gonna break through."

ANNC CLIMB THE HILL: "You've gotta be willing to climb the hill whether you've got pebbles in your shoes or not just embrace the pressure.”

**BUT THIS YEAR, PLAYERS MUST ENDURE MORE THAN EVER BEFORE.**

JAY MONAHAN: "We're obviously incredibly disappointed to suspend the PGA TOUR's season and all of our tours and tournaments."

**THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC PUT A HALT TO THE SEASON RESULTING IN THE CANCELLATION OF 10 EVENTS AND THE POSTPONEMENT OF 5 MORE.**

ARMSTRONG SOT: “We were all completely in shock at the beginning just like what is going on?”

SAXON SOT: “It felt like I was gaining a little bit of momentum I was looking forward to that next stretch of golf.”

HARDY SOT: “We got the call that said we gotta cancel this thing and shut her down and ever since then it’s been a weird time.”

RUFFELS SOT: "It doesn't matter what profession you're in. For the world to just kinda stop the way it has, it feels like it's in a bit of a movie."

WU SOT: "This pandemic is definitely bigger than golf. You gotta move on and just stay positive and just control what you can control."

**Bahamas Great Exuma Classic**

**BUT PRIOR TO THE COVID 19 HIATUS…**

ANNC: “Welcome to the Caribbean where everyone starts the year with a clean slate.”

**WU ESTABLISHED HIMSELF AS A PLAYER TO WATCH IN 2020.**

WU SOT: “Had kind of a dream start in the Bahamas.”

ANNC: “11-under in these conditions great playing.”

WU SOT: “I was really, really proud of myself.”

ANNC: “Right when he needed it. He’ll stay 1-back.”

WU SOT: “A great start finishing second. If you play well early, it kind of takes the pressure off.”

**AFTER HIS 2ND CAREER RUNNER-UP FINISH, WU TOOK HIS MOMENTUM ISLAND HOPPING THE FOLLOWING WEEK.**

ANNC: “Back to back weeks in the Bahamas.”

WU SOT: “Last year I had a lot of good weeks and a lot of bad weeks so the biggest thing this year I wanna focus on is consistency.”

**WU KEPT HIS FAST START ON TRACK WITH AN 18TH PLACE FINISH… BUT IT WAS HARDY’S TIME TO SHINE AFTER MISSING THE CUT A WEEK EARLIER.**

HARDY SOT: “I had a rude awakening to the start of 2020, but luckily, I battled back the next week in Nassau. I laid a good foundation to start the season. I had a lot of tough experiences, but good experiences.”

ANNC: “This guy’s made more birdies really than any of the guys he’s had 3 of them thru 9 holes.”

**HARDY REBOUNDED, FINISHING IN A TIE FOR 3RD.**

ANNC: “A big step forward in trying to earn a PGA TOUR card.”

HARDY SOT: “It gave me a lot of confidence. To bounce back like that after a tough week in Exuma, I was pretty proud of that.”

ANNC: “Keep an eye on him. We’re going to be seeing a lot more of Nick Hardy.”

**Ryan Ruffels on Course with Coach**

ANNC: Ryan Ruffels he’s one of those talented young Aussies. There's a lot of expectations on his shoulders."

ANNC: "Could this be one of the next great young stars of the sport?

ANNC: "He is going to be top 10 in the world in a couple of years he's got so much talent."

RUFFELS SOT: "I'm just getting started. I'm starting to play well. And I feel like I've got a pretty good outlook at what works for me as a professional golfer and a person."

**AS RYAN RUFFELS PREPARES FOR A NEW WEEK ON THE KORN FERRY TOUR, THE YOUNG PRODIGY BLOCKS OUT THE NOISE AND FOCUSES ON HIS GAME.**

NAT "And as your lower body starts to react more to what you are doing in your back swing and that will just straighten out a little too."

DENIS MCDADE SOT: "The one thing that can never be questioned about Ryan is his work ethic."

**WITH HIS GAME ON TRACK, RUFFELS CAN KEEP HIS EYES ON THE ROAD AHEAD… AFTER GETTING THE GEARS TURNING IN THE BAHAMAS.**

RUFFELS SOT: "To start off with an 11th place, then I made the cut the following week just a few solid results to get myself going was nice."

**Panama Championship**

**KEEPING PACE IN PANAMA FOR THE 3RD EVENT OF 2020 PROVED CRUCIAL FOR THE YOUNG TALENT.**

RUFFELS SOT: "I was subject to reshuffle. So basically the goal kind of early on was just to make sure that I was safe for the rest of the season."

**AND A FAST START PUT RUFFELS IN PRIME POSITION TO DO SO.**

RUFFELS ZOOM SOT: "I started with a 65. I probably had an opportunity to do a little bit more with that week."

**Ryan Ruffels Feature**

RUFFELS SOT: "I absolutely love my golf but Formula One's my second favorite thing to watch and to spectate. I've always been interested in cars. It's pretty bloody fast and a lot of fun to drive."

RUFFELS SOT: "505 horsepower it's only about 1500 kilos, which is pretty light. So power to weight ratio is pretty good."

**RUFFELS HAS ALWAYS HAD THE POWER TO MATCH, BUT IT’S HIS PHYSIQUE THAT HAS MADE SERIOUS STRIDES…**

ANNC: "Turned pro when he was 17 he grew 5 inches. Went from 5'7 to over 6'."

**…A GROWTH SPURT HE OWES IN PART TO HIS FAMILY'S ATHLETIC GENES.**

ANNC: "Ruffels whose parents were big time Tennis players."

RUFFELS SOT: "My mom won the NCAA's at USC as a tennis player and then was a top 20 player in the world. My dad got to the semi-finals of the Australian Open four times in singles and won it in doubles so he's obviously a great tennis player."

**RUFFELS EQUALLY CREDITS HIS TRAINER, LUKE MACKEY, WHO HELPS HIM MAINTAIN HIS SIZE OVER THE COURSE OF A TAXING SEASON.**

RUFFELS SOT: "If I play 18 holes at home, I burn a couple thousand calories. At an event I could burn up to 5000 doing this exact same thing just cause the nervous energy heart rates up the whole time."

MACKEY SOT: "The one thing that people don't respect enough is the fact that all these athletes travel every week. An NBA team has a whole team of staff traveling with them all the time but these guys do it on their own."

RUFFELS SOT: "After four weeks on the road, I could come back 8 to 10 pounds lighter, which starts to affect the way I swing the club. It's important that while I'm here, I put on some weight if I can."

RUFFELS NAT: "I was, like, 14 or 15. If you do a little side by side looking a little better nowadays."

MACKEY SOT: "That 14-year-old kid sort of walked in the door for the first time, hitting golf balls and looking like a malnourished whippet. Hopefully we're there in 10-20 years' time and he's got lots of trophies and he’s successful as he wants to be."

ANNC: "Ruffels! Has just been brilliant."

**THE RISING STAR TURNED PRO IN 2016…**

**BUT AFTER FAILING TO FINISH HIGHER THAN 20TH IN 18 SPONSORS EXEMPTIONS, HE REMAINS IN PURSUIT OF A FULL-TIME PLACE ON THE PGA TOUR.**

RUFFELS SOT: "I had some great opportunities. So I went for it and I don't regret going for it. I had to work hard, do the right things for a long period of time. To start seeing some results, to start putting some scores on the board and seeing myself get better is pretty motivating for me and we’re just the start and I want to keep pushing for more, obviously."

ANNC: "Still finding his way, but a heap of talent watch out for him."

**Panama Championship Part 2**

**RUFFELS FOLLOWED UP HIS OPENING ROUND IN PANAMA WITH THREE ROUNDS OF EVEN PAR… TO FINISH IN A TIE FOR 15TH**

RUFFELS SOT: "Another solid result and in the right direction on the order of merit. I definitely need to start trying to convert those top 20s into top 10s and top 5s going forward."

**JOINING HIM IN THE 15TH SPOT WAS CALLUM TARREN, WHILE DYLAN WU CRACKED THE TOP-10 ONCE AGAIN.**

WU SOT: "All I can do is put myself in that position as many times as possible and hoping that the past experiences help me.”

**BUT HE WASN'T THE ONLY ONE SITTING ON THE VERGE OF VICTORY.**

PEREIRA SOT: "I said, if I play well in Panama, it will be a big deal for me. So I went there, played really good. Almost won."

**MITO PEREIRA'S (PUH-RARE-UH) TIE FOR 3RD IN HIS FIRST START OF THE SEASON WAS A SIGN OF WHAT WAS TO COME.**

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Player Intros 2

**AS 'ONE SHOT AWAY' DOCUMENTS THE INDIVIDUAL PATHS OF 10 PLAYERS OVER THE COURSE OF THE 2020 KORN FERRY TOUR SEASON, ONE COMMON GOAL RINGS TRUE.**

DAWSON SOT: "I wanna feel like I belong out here and get better and better and end up being on the TOUR someday."

**DAWSON ARMSTRONG EXCELLED AS A BIG FISH IN A SMALL POND. A DIAMOND IN THE ROUGH AT LIPSCOMB UNIVERSITY, THE FORMER COLLEGE STANDOUT HAS EVERYTHING TO PROVE IN HIS DEBUT SEASON.**

**AS DOES LONGSHOT LUKE KWON, WHO EARNED LIMITED STATUS BY FINISHING 5TH ON PGA TOUR CHINA'S ORDER OF MERIT.**

**HIS FORMER OKLAHOMA SOONER TEAMMATE CHARLIE SAXON IS CHASING HIS OWN BIG BREAK, AFTER COMING UP JUST SHY IN 2019.**

ANCER SOT: "Saxon, Kwon, they're guys that have a lot of potential. I have no doubt they're gonna have a really good chance this year to get on the PGA Tour."

**COMBINING FOR 5 VICTORIES ON THE PGA TOUR'S DEVELOPMENTAL CIRCUITS… SAXON HAS BEEN ON THE VERGE OF A BREAKTHROUGH SINCE 2015.**

**BUT FEW DEFINE 'JOURNEYMAN' QUITE LIKE 33-YEAR-OLD DREW WEAVER.**

WEAVER SOT: "It's my last shot. I'm a lot older than most of these guys that / got their card straight out of college. I just kind of kept my head down and stayed in my lane."

**CONSIDERED A RISING STAR IN 2009 WHEN HE TURNED PRO ALONGSIDE THE LIKES OF RICKIE FOWLER, WEAVER IS POISED TO PUT AN END TO HIS DECADE-LONG SEARCH FOR PGA TOUR STATUS.**

**YET FOR CHILE'S MITO PEREIRA (PUH-RARE-UH), THE PERSONAL JOURNEY INVOLVES MORE THAN EARNING A TOUR CARD.**

**Mito Perreira Mini**

PEREIRA SOT: “In Chile, golf it's not that big. Soccer is big. And tennis is more popular than golf.”

**MITO IS AMONG THE LATEST TALENTED YOUNG CHILEAN PLAYERS WHOSE SUCCESS IS HELPING TO CHANGE THE GOLFING LANDSCAPE IN THEIR HOME COUNTRY… AND MAKE AN IMPACT AT THE PRO LEVEL.**

PEREIRA SOT: I played a lot of golf in the US when I was kid, from like 8 years old to now. So that helped me get experience to come here when I was a pro and not like be scared out. Because in Chile, it's more expensive to play golf than here. But now it's growing out a lot. With Joaquin winning on the PGA TOUR.”

ANNC: "Another young star has arrived on the PGA TOUR."

PEREIRA SOT: “If you go to Chile now it's a lot different than it was 10 years ago. If you go to courses, there's a lot of people playing. There's a lot of people trying to get better and trying to learn more about golf so it has changed a lot in a good way.”

**Country Club De Bogota Championship**

**AS THE KORN FERRY TOUR CONTINUED ITS VENTURE THROUGH SOUTH AMERICA, MITO CARRIED THE FLAG OF CHILE INTO COLUMBIA LOOKING TO WRITE HIS OWN HISTORY.**

PEREIRA SOT: “I had less pressure because I played well in Panama. So I could play the whole year on the Korn Ferry. That was my first goal of that year. But then in Columbia, I just played really well.

ANNC: "Mito Pereira this for birdie at the par 3."

PEREIRA SOT: “I got to the last day, I shot four under on the front nine. Then I made birdie on 10. So I was five under. That course is not easy. If you're missing from the tee, you're done.”

ANNC: "We are at the 18th and we have Guillermo Pereira."

PEREIRA SOT: “So I got to 18 with a two-shot lead. So I hit a big driver, massive driver, like the best driver of the all four days. So I hit a perfect 8 iron, high draw. It was about 15 feet.”

ANNC: “That was a great shot”

PEREIRA SOT: “I said to my caddie, let's make two putt and get out here. I hit it and luckily it was a perfect putt and it went in.”

ANNC: "No he didn't, yes he did. Oh my goodness, incredible."

PEREIRA SOT: “A whole bunch of emotions over there. I was throwing my hat. It was a lot of emotions accumulated all these years.”

PEREIRA SOT: “I couldn’t feel anything it was unbelievable. Finishing that way is absolutely amazing for me with all the people and everything here in Bogota.”

**Lecom Suncoast Classic**

**AS PEREIRA CLIMBED TO 2ND IN THE STANDINGS, THE KORN FERRY TOUR RETURNED STATESIDE FOR THE LECOM SUNCOAST CLASSIC, AS DYLAN WU CONTINUED HIS PURSUIT FOR A WIN, FINISHING TIED FOR ELEVENTH.**

ANNC: "Dylan Wu in the mix yet again."

WU SOT: "I know my good golf can win these tournaments so just trying to stay a little more consistent."

**AND EARNING HIS BEST FINISH TO DATE… DREW WEAVER SURGED IN THE SUNSHINE STATE.**

ANNC: "Great start for Drew Weaver, can he keep it going."

WEAVER SOT: "The final round I felt like I was somewhat in contention and to finish 7th that was certainly nice."

**Mexico Championship**

**THE PURSUIT OF 25 PGA TOUR CARDS CONTINUED SOUTH OF THE BORDER AS PLAYERS WERE FINDING THEIR GROOVE HALF-A-DOZEN EVENTS INTO THE YEAR.**

HARDY SOT: “I had learned a lot those first six events, especially traveling internationally a lot for the first time. Playing well for a lot of it was great.”

**NICK HARDY’S T16 FINISH MARKED HIS 2ND TOP-25 OF THE SEASON, WHILE DYLAN WU EARNED HIS 2ND TOP-5 WITH A TIE FOR 4TH.**

WU SOT: “All those first 6 events I had the lead for 5 of the 6 at some point. I'm getting at least more comfortable seeing that being up there.”

**BUT PERHAPS NOBODY HAS BEEN MORE FAMILIAR WITH THE TOP OF THE LEADERBOARD THAN MITO PEREIRA (PUH-RARE-UH), WHO HAD YET ANOTHER CHANCE AT VICTORY.**

PEREIRA SOT: “I could have made birdie on 18 to go to playoff but I left it two or three inches. But it was a great tournament. Three top 5s in four events is a good result.”

**A T4 FINISH IN MEXICO PUT THE CHILEAN ATOP THE KORN FERRY TOUR STANDINGS, WITH WU ROUNDING OUT THE TOP-5 AFTER HIS METEORIC START.**

**HARDY SITS ON ‘THE 25’ BUBBLE, WITH RYAN RUFFELS ON THE OUTSIDE LOOKING IN. CHARLIE SAXON CRACKS THE TOP-75, THOUGH DAWSON ARMSTRONG IS STILL TRYING TO FIND HIS FOOTING IN HIS ROOKIE CAMPAIGN.**

**Season Outlook**

**BUT JUST AS PLAYERS WERE GAINING TRACTION, ANY MOMENTUM WAS INTERRUPTED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC.**

**THAT IS, UNTIL THIS WEEK.**

HARDY SOT: “We're pretty lucky to be one of the first sports to be getting back to work. We'll have a little bit of a spotlight on us we’ll be kind of leading by example to other sports so it'll be a good opportunity for golf.”

**THE KORN FERRY TOUR RESUMES PLAY WITH AN EXTENSION TO THE SEASON THAT WILL GRADUATE ITS CLASS NEXT YEAR, WHILE THE TOP-10 ON THE POINTS LIST THRU THIS YEAR’S KORN FERRY TOUR CHAMPIONSHIP WILL BE GRANTED ACCESS INTO A HANDFUL OF PGA TOUR EVENTS FOR THE 2020-21 SEASON.**

WEAVER SOT: “This mega season that we're about to start back on the more events, the better. Honestly, if you're a good player, you know you want a larger sample size because that that allows, you know, the cream to rise to the top.”

**Tarren McGahey Mic’d up Season Return**

**FAMED TPC SAWGRASS PLAYS HOST TO THE FIRST EVENT BACK THIS WEEK…**

TARREN SOT: “Its awesome to be back competing for the first time in however many months, it’s just nice to be out here playing.”

NAT: “Yep. Oh, you had it.”

**AND EARLY IN THE WEEK, CALLUM TARREN JOINED COUNTRYMAN STEVE LEWTON TO PREPARE FOR THE TOURNAMENT GRIND.**

NAT: “The greens are just so pure. Oh if you get the right line it’s in.”

MCGAHEY SOT: “We met a couple years ago in China, Collem got out here last year and I got out here this year so he’s kind of showing me the ropes. We’ve just got good camaraderie between us.”

NAT: “Nice. Trying to hit on that circle window left of the tree. Oh, that circle window. I hit it there every time. That’s mental. Every time.”

TARREN SOT: “It’s been tough. At home the golf courses were closed down. We’ve just got to look forward to what’s ahead.”

NAT: “Good luck this week kid. Play well. Have a good week.”

**Rollout**

**AS THE GRUELING QUEST FOR A PGA TOUR CARD IS BACK UNDERWAY FOR TARREN AND OTHERS… ONE SHOT AWAY WILL CONTINUE TO FOLLOW THEIR UNFOLDING JOURNEYS IN THE MONTHS AHEAD.**