**PGA TOUR ORIGINALS: ONE SHOT AWAY EP. 4**

**INTERNATIONAL MASTER SCRIPT**

**Cold Open**

NAT: "Starting route to Springfield."

HIRSCHMAN NAT: "Oh this is a stop sign."

SAXON NAT: "That is a sketchy intersection."

SAXON SOT: "My driving skills area always up for question."

HIRSCHMAN SOT: "Charlie only turned down 2 one ways only killed us twice."

HIRSCHMAN NAT: "Second entrance second one.”

SAXON NAT: "Oh geeze."

HIRSCHMAN NAT: "Bad driver."

SAXON NAT: "[LAUGH] Got that on video."

**Show Open**

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 a little bit what just happened."

**TOUR HOPEFULS ARE SHARPENED INTO CHAMPIONS.**

RUFFELS SOT: "There's so many guys out here that will play on the PGA TOUR and it just so happens that they're all here right now."

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.**

**Portland Open Pt 1**

ANNC: "Pumpkin Ridge in all its glory. The drama intense, the history storied."

**IN THE 9TH EVENT BACK SINCE THE RESTART, DREW WEAVER TOOK THE REIGNS EARLY ON, OPENING WITH A 6-UNDER 65 TO TAKE THE SOLO LEAD.**

ANNC: "Charlie Saxon also on the move."

**A 7-UNDER 64 GAVE CHARLIE SAXON THE TOP SPOT ON DAY 2, A POSITION RYAN RUFFELS HELD WITH JUST 3 HOLES TO PLAY IN THE PREVIOUS EVENT.**

RUFFELS SOT: "It was the most relaxed I'd felt in that situation in a long time. A bit unfortunate to not quite get it done but still a lot of positives to take from it."

**AND THE RUNNER UP IN OMAHA TEED IT UP BESIDE THAT WEEK’S CHAMPION, SETH REEVES, 4 DAYS LATER IN PORTLAND.**

**Ruffels Portland Mic'd Up**

RUFFELS NAT: "Seth, how are you mate? Ryan, good job last week."

RUFFELS SOT: "I've learned a lot and gained a lot of experience from what happened and I don't think I'm too far off putting myself in that position again."

**ROUNDING OUT THE GROUP WAS MITO PEREIRA, WHO PICKED UP HIS MAIDEN VICTORY EARLIER THIS SEASON, AS RUFFELS CONTINUES THE PURSUIT OF HIS.**

RUFFELS NAT: "He's a legend. We played a ton last year in Latin America. And then we've both played pretty nice this year."

RUFFELS NAT: "Good birdie Mito."

**AFTER FIRING 3 STRAIGHT BIRDIES TO START HIS OPENING ROUND, RUFFELS FOUND TROUBLE AT THE PAR-4 6TH.**

RUFFELS NAT: "Sit. Plug in the face of the bunker? Best shot I've hit today."

RUFFELS NAT: "That makes me sick to my core, that's ridiculous."

RUFFELS NAT: "I'm not one to say like, good break, bad break, especially if I had a bad shot. Like I'm happy, bad break, whatever. That was purity."

RUFFELS SOT: "You gotta try and find comfort in the chaos."

RUFFELS NAT: "I feel like I haven't hit many bad shots we just keep getting punished."

RUFFELS SOT: "You don’t really get to practice that ever until you’re there. So from person to person you learn how that affects you and how you need to handle that and find your level of comfort amongst all that."

RUFFELS NAT: "Good catch by the hole. That was a grind."

**RUFFELS REBOUNDED FROM 5 BOGEYS TO FINISH THE DAY EVEN PAR.**

RUFFELS SOT: "Finishing strong is huge, it's underrated, it's hard to do. Luckily I've had a couple good chances to really be in that situation, feel what it's like and get some practice doing that."

RUFFELS NAT: "Be as good as you look."

RUFFELS SOT: "Once you can do it at some point, I think it opens the floodgates. So we're hoping that's what happens here soon."

RUFFELS NAT: "That was so good."

**AND HE FOUND HIS COMFORT ZONE ON DAY 2.**

**Portland Open Pt 2**

ANNC RUFFELS SAXON: "The 22-year-old shot 63 today."

**WEAVER FELL FROM CONTENTION OVER THE WEEKEND, WHILE SAXON FINISHED IN A TIE FOR 14TH.**

ANNC: "This guy's really starting to trend and a tremendous player."

SAXON SOT: "It was kind of the stretch I've been waiting on all year. I haven't really had a stretch where momentum gets going my way at all. I feel like I'm finally starting to turn the corner."

**RUFFELS WENT ON TO EARN HIS 5TH TOP-25 OF THE YEAR, AS THE AUSSIE STILL SEEKS TO BRING HIS FIRST TROPHY HOME...WHICHEVER HOME THAT MAY BE.**

**Ruffels Home Tour**

RUFFELS NAT: "I live in Orlando just too far to go back and forth from Australia. I grew up in the states till I was nine I was born over here. So I got both passports which is proved to be very helpful."

RUFFELS SOT: "This is our house. I live with Curtis Luck who also plays on the Korn Ferry Tour. We've been living here at this place for the last few years."

RUFFELS SOT: "We call it the Man Cave, because we’re two blokes living in a house in Orlando. Other side of the world."

RUFFELS SOT: "We're both coffee fiends got this at the start of the year. I make good coffees I just don't have the art down yet. If I try and make a coffee right now there's going to be a few guys out there who get on me about that. So I won't do that."

RUFFELS SOT: "This is my room through here. Nice big bedroom. Throughout the years, I've just kind of collected some shoes. With Nike I get to get some shoes a little earlier than most people. I've been with them since I was 14. To see the athletes that Nike has part of their system is quite inspiring to know that you're a part of that whole movement. The goal is to be one of those poster athletes that is up there, whether it's LeBron or it's Roger Federer or Tiger Woods."

**Boise Open Pt 1**

ANNC: "The Albertson's Boise Open, Year 31, at Hillcrest Country club, just a gorgeous venue, a beautiful setting."

**BUILDING MOMENTUM THROUGH THE SUMMER, CHARLIE SAXON WAS FEELING THE LOVE.**

SAXON SOT: "Pretty exciting week on multiple fronts, playing good golf but more importantly got engaged I kind of knew what the answer was going to be so that wasn't too bad but definitely nervous I'm glad to have that behind me.”

**AND HE CARRIED THE GOOD VIBES TO AN 8 UNDER START.**

SAXON SOT: "It's just one of those places when I walk on the property I have good vibes."

ANNC: "Charlie Saxon going low early. He played so well here last year. He played well last week in Portland and continuing the good play."

SAXON SOT: "Made a bunch of pars to settle in, started hitting some really good shots the putter got hot."

ANNC: "Saxon going in the right direction."

SAXON SOT: "Just played really solid, was never really out of position and added up to 63 so we will take it for sure.”

**Saxon Feature**

**SITTING ONE OFF THE LEADER AFTER THE SECOND ROUND, SAXON LOOKED TO GO THE DISTANCE – AN ASPECT HE DOESN'T STRUGGLE WITH OFF THE TEE.**

ANNC: "On the tee Charlie Saxon."

WEAVER SOT: "Charlie's an elite driver and it's fun to watch."

ANNC: "Charlie Saxon can absolutely flat move a golf ball."

THORNBERRY SOT: "In one word, I would say powerful."

HARDY SOT: "He's a big boy. I mean, I don't wanna get in a bar fight with that guy."

ANNC: "That’s a gorgeous shot from Saxon."

WU SOT: "He hits it way farther than me."

ANNC: "So much speed in that golf swing."

WEAVER: "He's one of the best drivers on our tour for sure. I think when you play with Charlie, you kind of have to get your mind in the right place to know that you're gonna be out driven by 50 yards on every hole."

SAXON SOT: "My freshman year of college I rolled in weighing about 160 pounds I was actually I think the shortest hitter on our college golf team. So I kinda went hard at the gym. I gained 40-45 pounds in about a year and a half, started swinging at 120 and my driver became a weapon pretty quickly."

ANNC: "Just makes a different sound when he hits it."

HARDY SOT: "He's as broad shouldered as they come, he does not look like a golfer, he looks like he should be a middle linebacker."

THORNBERRY SOT: "He looks like a beast in the gym, and just hammers it off the first tee."

ANNC: "His length will be a big advantage this a really good looking drive right down the center of the fairway for Charlie."

WEAVER SOT: "All of us would agree that length is an asset. But if you can't keep it in play or near the fairway on a pretty regular basis, then it almost becomes a liability."

SAXON SOT: "I have the power but I've kind of learned to use it a little bit more sparingly. I think as evidenced through having a little bit higher drive and accuracy percentage this year."

**WHILE SAXON'S CAREER HAS ACCELERATED OFF THE TEE, HIS LOVE FOR THE GAME BLOSSOMED AT AN EARLY AGE.**

SAXON SOT: "Golf was always my thing from kind of when I was six years old on. Just tag along with my dad on the golf course. I guess I had a little bit of a knack for it and because of that ended up loving it"

SAXON SOT: "Loved the whole challenge of getting better. I think I like more of the personal endeavor than anything else . You go out and play golf and all you have at the end of the day is your number. It's either good or bad, and there's no excuse for it and you got to go out there the next day and just try to do better."

SAXON SOT: "As you look at Charlie Saxon, he went to Oklahoma he's only 27 years of age, again he has those 4 wins on PGA TOUR China but has yet to break through on the Korn Ferry Tour."

SAXON SOT: "I turned pro and played okay right out of school. And then I went to China and really came off and, you know, my first year on the Korn Ferry Tour I struggled. I lost my card, had to go back."

HARDY SOT: "What he's best at is managing his emotions and his energy out there. He really good at staying calm."

ANNC: "He has maintained a very carefree demeanor I like the way he goes about his game."

**AFTER MISSING 7 CUTS, SAXON SAT 109TH ON THE POINTS LIST, BUT WITH 3 TOP 20 FINISHES IN 5 WEEKS HE MOVED UP FORTY-SEVEN SPOTS ON THE LEADERBOARD.**

SAXON SOT: "You're gonna get kicked in the face a lot of times playing golf, and you gotta keep getting back up and knowing that if you keep doing that, you're going to end up getting where you want to go."

ANNC: "This guy has all the tools, just needs to sharpen the edges on some of them."

SAXON SOT: I'm hopeful my 3rd 3rd full season on the Korn Ferry Tour that this is the year that gets me over the hill."

**Boise Open Pt 2**

**BACK AT THE ALBERSTSON'S BOISE OPEN, DYLAN WU AND NICK HARDY KEPT UP THEIR CONSISTENT PLAY, BOTH FINISHING IN THE TOP 20.**

ANNC: " Nick hardy has had a really solid year out here."

**BUT DESPITE SLIPPING IN THE THIRD ROUND ...**

ANNC: "He put himself in position and struggled yesterday and shot 70."

**SAXON WAS UNFAZED AND FINISHED FOUR OFF THE LEADER. HIS 3RD TOP 15 FINISH IN 4 EVENTS.**

SAXON SOT: "It was a rough start to the year but playing some good golf I am confident in what I am doin just hoping to keep the momentum going as long as I can."

ANNC: "Good playing today, Its just a matter of time for Charlie. Such a talented young man."

**Armstrong and Thornberry Friendship**

THORNBERRY NAT: "Nice one."

ARMSTRONG NAT: "First good one of the day It only took an hour."

THORNBERRY NAT: "You only hit 1."

THORNBERRY NAT: "Oh that looked good for a while. That is not how I wanted that 30 seconds to go."

ARMSTRONG SOT: "Me and Braden have known each other, probably since his sophomore year of high school, about seven years now, maybe more."

THORNBERRY SOT: "I've known Dawson for a long time he has been a good friend. He's very happy go lucky, kind of like I am. So I enjoy his kind of energy and you know the way here he approaches life and golf."

ARMSTRONG NAT: "For about 3 years my mom would always ask me, how's Brandon how's Brandon playing."

THORNBERRY SOT: "I'm from the Memphis area and he's from Nashville, So we saw each other a lot in junior golf and some in college."

THORNBERRY NAT: "Good ball, he's back"

ARMSTRONG NAT: "Yeah I know."

THORNBERRY SOT: "We just always had a natural friendship. To see him get out and have success last year and get out on this tour it’s been great.."

ARMSTRONG NAT: "Ahh man great for my draw."

THORNBERRY NAT: "I'm right in your way."

ARMSTRONG SOT: "He kind of was at the lower end of amateur golf and then just shot up to the top, So you know, having someone like that to look up to and say That's the standard that you want to play at."

ARMSTRONG NAT: "All right Braden, knock it in dude."

ARMSTRONG SOT: "Once he really, really got good, it was just like hey I know a really, really cool, good golfer. And now it happens to be one of the best in the world at what he does."

THORNBERRY NAT: "Go a little bit. Sit"

ARMSTRONG SOT: "He owns what he does. He's a fun guy to be around, too. So our relationship is It's kind of just growing gradually over the years."

ARMSTRONG NAT: "So how's this for a fun thing, 16 at brentwood right?”

**Tournament Prep – Google Earth Feature**

**ALONG WITH THEIR FRIENDSHIP, ARMSTRONG AND THORNBERRY SHARE A UNIQUE APPROACH TO COURSE PREP – ONE THAT PAID DIVIDENDS AT THE KING & BEAR CLASSIC AT WORLD GOLF VILLAGE.**

ARMSTRONG SOT: "I was looking at Google earth trying to do whatever prep I could for the course. Braden's done it. I've never really told him that he was the reason why I did it.

THORNBERRY SOT: "I use Google Earth literally every week anyone that's not using it, I think is at a little bit of a disadvantage because you kind of get a good perspective on the hole."

ARMSTRONG SOT: "I was like, well, it seems like a pretty smart idea I'm going around the course normal things and then I get to five and I see it's a 550 yard par five. I look on Google Earth and there's this par three number six."

ARMSTRONG SOT: "The fairway up there is 30 yards wide and you have 130 yards in. I thought, well shoot, if the trees aren't too tall, I might as well give it a try."

HARDY SOT: "Dawson tried to get me to do that on the fifth hole I think it was. I'm like, no, man I'm not gonna do that."

ARMSTRONG SOT: "I tried getting a lot of people to do it. Charlie Saxon was one of them and he was like, dude what are you thinking on this hole I was like man, it's a smart play."

ARMSTRONG SOT: "They heard me talking about it like dude, this is the dumbest idea you could possibly have."

**THE THEORY WORKED, AS ARMSTRONG WAS 5 UNDER ON THAT HOLE FOR THE WEEK, MORE THAN HALF A STROKE BELOW THE SCORING AVERAGE.**

ARMSTRONG SOT: "I think next year if we went back there, a lot more guys would do it."

**WITH THEIR UNCONVENTIONAL METHOD VALIDATED, THE DUO BLAZED THEIR OWN TRAIL TO THE 17TH EVENT OF THE SEASON...**

**Nationwide Children’s Hospital Championship Recap**

ANNC: "Greetings and welcome to Columbus Ohio for the Korn Ferry Tour and the Nationwide Children's Hospital Championship."

**WHERE, NICK HARDY TAPPED HIS EXPERIENCE TO GET OFF TO A STRONG START.**

HARDY SOT: "I love this golf course I played here a lot in college, so I feel pretty comfortable out here."

**WITH A 6 UNDER 65, HE SHARED THE LEAD AFTER THE FIRST ROUND.**

ANNC: "Saxon in the mix once again heading into Sunday. Third week in a row he has been playing really well."

SAXON SOT: "I feel really confident. I'm playing good at the start of the year I couldn't say that but right now I feel really good."

**THE OKLAHOMA ALUM SECURED HIS SIXTH TOP 25 FINISH.**

ANNC: "Nick Hardy making his move up the leaderboard putting himself in position."

**HARDY BOUNCED BACK AFTER AN OVER PAR ROUND 2, FINISHING IN THE TOP-5, BUT HE’S STILL IN SEARCH OF HIS FIRST WIN.**

HARDY SOT: "Having played well the weekend after a tough round on Friday was nice. As long as I keep knocking on the door I'm going to hopefully win."

**Korn Ferry Tour Championship Recap**

ANNC: "The Korn Ferry Tour Championship. The 18th event of the Korn Ferry Tour season"

**WITH ONE AND A HALF TIMES THE POINTS UP FOR GRABS, NICK HARDY FINISHED 9 UNDER FOR HIS 10TH TOP 25 OF THE SEASON.**

ANNC: "Played well last week, fifth in Columbus, he's been on a pretty good tear ever since the restart."

**BUT IT WAS BRADEN THORNBERRY TURNING IN HIS BEST PERFORMANCE OF THE YEAR, TOPPING IT OFF WITH A CLUTCH BIRDIE PUTT ON 18 FINISHING IN A TIE FOR 12TH.**

ANNC: "67 for Braden Thornberry"

THORNBERRY SOT: "Was able to play really solid on the weekend the last 2 days and come out with a decent finish so I'm pretty pleased with it."

**Charlie Saxon Drive**

**CHARLIE SAXON MISSED OUT ON THE WEEKEND, BUT HE QUICKLY SHIFTED HIS FOCUS TO THE NEXT EVENT.**

NAT: "Starting route to Springfield."

SAXON SOT: "Drove from Evansville Indiana and made about a 3.5 hour drive over to Springfield with Grant Hirschman, my buddy, roommate, and teammate at OU. Pretty chill day altogether.”

NAT: "I'm sure this drive is going to be really scenic. I think the only activity would be cow tipping."

SAXON SOT: "There's nothing like the road and trying to chase a dream. It definitely takes its toll, week to week, hotel to hotel. There's not a lot of consistency in it. You just try to find normalcy in whatever city you're in."

HIRSCHMAN NAT: "I don't have any clean clothes. I have one golf shirt. One pair of pants and one pair of underwear.”

SAXON SOT: "Most of us have been doing this so many years its just kind of our normal. It's one of those things you're on the road missing home then you're on at home missing the road."

**HOME FOR THE DUO IS DALLAS, TEXAS, WHERE THEY LIVE WITH LAST YEAR'S REGULAR SEASON POINTS WINNER, SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER, WHO IS MAKING A NAME FOR HIMSELF ON THE PGA TOUR.**

SAXON NAT: "It was really neat to see Scottie playing so well at the PGA Championship."

SAXON SOT: "I don't know if people expected him to go out and play so well but I know us roommates certainly did. Seeing him shoot 59 it definitely is a boom to our confidence. That hopefully we can go out and have some success as well."

SAXON NAT: "Well it looks like we made it. Home sweet home for the week."

SAXON NAT: "Nice to be in a new city to hit the reset button and get a little bit of work in."

HIRSCHMAN NAT: "Fresh week, fresh spot, time to make some birdies."

**Lincoln Land Championship Recap**

**BIRDIES IN SPRINGFIELD WOULD COME IN BUNCHES, AS SAXON'S WEEK GOT OFF TO A DREAM START.**

SAXON SOT: "I think birdied my first 3 and feeling good. I made some great swings to start the day, felt good with my putter and kept hitting good golf shots."

**WITH 10 BIRDIES AND NO BOGEYS ON THE SCORECARD, HE FIRED AN OPENING ROUND 61 TO TAKE THE SOLO LEAD.**

SAXON SOT: "Just gotta keep the pedal down, guys are shooting low numbers, so can't be complacent and satisfied with where I'm at, just have to keep going lower."

**HE DID JUST THAT ON DAYS 2 AND 3, TAKING A ONE-SHOT LEAD INTO SUNDAY.** **BUT SAXON STRUGGLED IN THE FINAL ROUND CARDING 4 BOGEYS AND FINISHING IN A TIE FOR 7TH.**

SAXON SOT: "I'm really close to breaking through, you just need to put a complete week together. I’ve kind of had one round each week that’s kept me from really having a chance on Sunday."

**Standings**

**AFTER 19 EVENTS, MITO PEREIRA REMAINS IN THE TOP 10 OF THE KORN FERRY TOUR POINTS LIST.**

**AND AS THE PURSUIT OF A PGA TOUR CARD GOES ON FOR THIS GROUP OF HOPEFULS, SO DOES THE JOURNEY… ONE WEEK AND ONE EVENT AT A TIME – WITH EACH EXPERIENCE A REMINDER THAT THEIR DREAM IS JUST ONE SHOT AWAY.**

**Rollout**

ANNC: "The tradition of PGA TOUR Cards being handed out has been put on hold due to the Coronavirus but there is plenty to play for."

SAXON SOT: "Solidifying ourselves as far as we can in the points this year only helps with our standing going in the next year when the tour card is actually on the line. So I'm looking for a little bit of redemption."

MUSIC: "I've gotta push thru the pain, fall and get back up again, cuz the battle's won, but the war goes on."

WEAVER SOT: "It's a battle every week you've got the world at your fingertips, you know, you go have a couple of good weeks in a row and your life changes."

RUFFELS SOT: "If I could be on the PGA to it would be a dream. / Hopefully that's just the start and we keep kicking on from there."

MUSIC: "The war goes on."

WU SOT: "All of us are just trying to get better and just try to get to the PGA Tour and stay there and and just keep on climbing."

ANNC: "He is right on the cusp of winning."

MUSIC: "Out of the dark to the light, I've gotta stand up and fight, cuz the battle scars make us who we are."

HARDY: "My goal is to win on this tour. I have one coming, I think, I have a good week coming. I'm just hoping I can string everything together."

THORNBERRY SOT: "This year makes it where there's not a lot of excuses over 47 events."

ANNC: "How about that!" or "Braden Thornberry!"

THORNBERRY SOT: "The cream will rise to the top."

ANNC: "Keep an eye on him."

MUSIC: "The battle's won, the battle's won, but the war goes on."

ARMSTRONG SOT: "The goal has changed from how does my status and how does my game look at the end of 2020 to how do I get better and keep on improving until the end of 2021."

MUSIC: "The war goes on."

PEREIRA SOT: "I'm trying to just look at it like a big picture, and like I said to build, anything for this year, next year, I mean your whole career."

MUSIC: "The war goes on."

TARREN SOT: "This documentary, the name of it, says it all. That one shot, that is the name of the game."