TEASE 1

**ON THIS EPISODE OF ESTO ES PGA TOUR LATINOAMÉRICA…**

**WE WILL LOOK AT OUR ALUMNI LATEST WINS ON THE KORN FERRY TOUR.**

Tyson Alexander bite: I always felt like I could win out here.

Siempre sentí que podia ganar aquí.

Austin Smotherman bite: It’s emotional, it’s awesome, it’s everything we worked for.

Es muy emotivo, es increíble, es todo por lo que hemos trabajado.

**LEADING THE PGA TOUR LATINOAMÉRICA POINTS LIST, MEXICO’S ÁLVARO ORTIZ DISCUSSES THE ROAD AHEAD…**

Alvaro Ortiz bite: Cuando agachas los ojos para ponerte sobre la bola al potear y ves que tus manos se están moviendo es cuando sabes que esta es la cosa, es tan en serio, ¿no?**.**

When stand over the ball, looking down and ready to putt, and you see your hands moving, that’s when you realize this is it, it’s for real, right?

**WE WILL ALSO LEARN ABOUT THE FORME TOUR, A NEW SERIES OF TOURNAMENTS THAT WILL PROVIDE PGA TOUR CANADA MEMBERS A PATH TO THE KORN FERRY TOUR THIS SUMMER…**

**ALL THAT, AND MORE COMING UP NEXT ON ESTO ES PGA TOUR LATINOAMÉRICA!**

Title

**Esto es PGA TOUR Latinoamérica!**

CAMINO AL TOUR – PATH TO THE PGA TOUR (Part 1)

**ONLY TWO YEARS INTO HIS CAREER AS A PROFESSIONAL, GUADALAJARA NATIVE ÁLVARO ORTIZ IS THE LATEST STAR ON THE RISE FROM MEXICO.**

**THE 25-YEAR OLD HAS GOTTEN IN POSITION TO FOLLOW IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF HIS OLDER BROTHER, PGA TOUR CHAMPION CARLOS ORTIZ, AND HIS FELLOW COUNTRYMEN ABRAHAM ANCER AND BOBBY DÍAZ.**

Álvaro Ortiz Bite: Creo que el golf Mexicano está empezando a vivir su mejor época, estoy seguro que lo mejor está por venir, estos siguientes 10 o 20 años es donde el golf Mexicano va a tomar su lugar en el mundo. Ha sido gracias al apoyo y al gran trabajo que se ha hecho de la gente que apoya con patrocinios, desde la Federación Mexicana, la selección, tocó ver a Lorena Ochoa siendo la mejor del mundo pero dominando, pues te inspira, te inspira y te empuja, y espero que ahorita lo que estamos haciendo nosotros inspire a futuras generaciones que vengan a hacer mejores cosas de las que estamos haciendo, ¿no?.

I believe Mexican golf is starting to live its best time and I’m sure that the best is yet to come. Over the next 10 o 20 years Mexican golf is going grow its footprint across the world. This is happening because of the people working hard to provide sponsorship and support, from the Mexican Federation and the National Teams. We saw what Lorena Ochoa did as dominating World No. 1, so things like those inspire you, push you. Hopefully, what we are doing now will inspire new generations to come a do better than what we are doing, right?

Todd Rinehart Bite: It’s great to see that the level of golf here in Mexico continius raise with guys like Abraham Ancer and Carlos Ortiz playing on the PGA TOUR. We know Alvaro will follow his brother footsteps very soon.

Es muy bueno ver que el nivel del golf aquí en México continúa aumentando con jugadores como Abraham Ancer y Carlos Ortiz jugando en el PGA TOUR. Sabemos que Álvaro seguirá los pasos de su hermano muy pronto.

**FOLLOWING A HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL CAREER AS AN AMATEUR, WHICH HE FINISHED WITH A WIN AT THE LATIN AMERICA AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP TO EARN A SPOT IN THE 2019 MASTERS TOURNAMENT, HIS PATH AS A PROFESSIONAL GOT OFF TO A BIT OF A ROUGH START.**

Álvaro Ortiz Bite: Cuando fallé dos veces seguidas el Q-School del Korn Ferry Tour, yo yendo por primera vez al Q-School del PGA TOUR Latinoamérica y ganarlo, en mi mente si estaba muy claro que era un año y pasar, pero si llego a pasar dos o tres me va a hacer crecer como persona y mucho como jugador porque tiene un gran nivel. Es una planeación larga pero por ahorita si quiero terminar el primer paso de mi plan se podría decir, terminarlo con el pie derecho.

After missing twice at the Korn Ferry Tour Q-School, I went on to play the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Q-School and I won it. I had a clear mindset of coming to play one year and then move up, but if I have to play two or three years here, I also know that I’m going to grow as a person and as a player because of the level of competition. It’s a long-term plan, but I want to accomplish my goal at this first stage and finish it right.

**STARTING HIS CAREER AS A PROFESSIONAL IN MAY OF 2019, ORTIZ MADE FIVE PGA TOUR STARTS, BUT HE WAS UNABLE TO TAKE ADVATAGE OF HIS EARLY OPPORTUNITIES AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL.**

Álvaro Ortiz Bite: Creo que golfisticamente hablando probablemente esa ha sido la mejor parte de mi carrera pero mentalmente no estaba listo para el reto que estaba enfrentando. No esperaba nunca en mi mente yo jugar el Masters y después dar ese salto, “oye tienes aquí, te estamos presentando una oportunidad para que juegues en el mejor TOUR del mundo”. Mentalmente creo que no sabia lo que estaba pasando, no me cayó en mente en ese momento de lo importante que era, mucho mucho de que aprender poder hacer esas simples rondas de práctica con mi hermano, con Abraham, jugar con jugadores como Benhard Langer, Matt Wallace, y te empiezas a dar cuenta que en el nivel golfístico no estamos tan lejos. Espero que hayas sido la primera probada del Masters que tengo en mi carrera para que me ayude eso poder algún día poderme poner el saco verde.

Golf wise I was probably at my best, but I wasn’t mentally ready for the challenge ahead of me. I wasn’t really prepared to play the Masters and then make that jump into professional golf. ‘Hey, here you have it, we are giving you an opportunity to play on the best Tour in the world.’ I think I did not know what was happening, I didn’t realize how important this opportunity was. There was a lot to learn from, like simple practice rounds with my brother and Abraham Ancer, of playing with players such as Bernhard Langer, Matt Wallace. You start to realize that the gap is not that big. That was my first taste of the Masters and hopefully that learning experience will help me to put that green jacket on some day.

Social Minute

**IT’S TIME TO TAKE A LOOK AT WHAT THE PGA TOUR LATINOAMÉRICA MEMBER HAVE BEEN DOING ACROSS SOCIAL MEDIA…**

**TOUR MEMBER BEN COOK HAD A GREAT RUN AT THE PGA CHAMPIONSHIP, FINISHING AS THE LOW CLUB PROFESSIONAL. HE GOT A NICE CRISTAL BOWL AND THIS PICTURE WITH PHIL MICKELSON, WHO MADE HISTORY AS THE FIRST 50-YEAR OLD TO WIN A MAJOR.**

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**IF THERE’S A PLAYER COMING IN HOT TO RESTART OUR 2020-21 SEASON THIS MONTH OF JUNE, THAT’S JOSÉ TOLEDO. THE GUATEMALA NATIVE RECENTLY RECORDED BACK-TO-BACK VICTORIES AT THE MEXICAN TOUR EVENTS THAT WERE PART OF OUR DEV SERIES. WAY TO GO JOSÉ!**

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**ON MAY 7 THE GOLF WORLD CELEBRATED THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF THE GREAT SEVE BALLESTEROS, WHO PASSED AWAY TEN YEARS AGO. GONE BUT NEVER FORGOTTEN!**

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**LAST BUT NOT LEAST, ON MOTHER’S DAY OUR MEMBERS AND ALUMS TOOK TIME TO CELEBRATE THEIR NUMBER ONE FANS ON THEIR SPECIAL DAY.**

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Bump #1

**WHEN WE COME BACK, WE’LL SEE HOW TYSON ALEXANDER BECAME A KORN FERRY TOUR CHAMPION THREE YEARS AFTER HIS PGA TOUR LATINOAMÉRICA VICTORY IN COSTA RICA.**

**AND WE WILL HEAR MORE FROM CURRENT TOUR NUMBER ONE ALVARO ORTIZ.**

BLOCK 2

Title

**Esto es PGA TOUR Latinoamerica!**

KORN FERRY TOUR (Parte 1)

**PGA TOUR LATINOAMÉRICA FORMER PLAYERS REMAIN ON FIRE ON THE KORN FERRY TOUR, WHERE THEY HAVE PUT TOGETHER AN IMPRESSIVE TOTAL OF SIX WINS IN A SPAN OF 12 TOURNAMENTS. TYSON ALEXANDER AND AUSTIN SMOTHERMAN WERE THE LATEST TO ADD TO OUR ALUMNI SUCCESS WITH VICTORIES THAT MOVED THEM CLOSER TO THE PGA TOUR.**

Tyson Alexander Bite: Yeah man, what a week. Golf kind of has been kicking my butt the last couple of weeks, but I just… I don’t know, I kept fighting and somehow it worked out this week and I’m just thrould that it’s my week.

Así es, ¡qué semana! El golf me ha estado maltratando las últimas semanas, pero yo... no sé, seguí luchando y de alguna manera las cosas funcionaron esta semana y estoy feliz de que sea mi semana.

**ALEXANDER FIRED A 64 ON THE FINAL ROUND TO COME FROM BEHIND AND WIN THE VERITEX BANK CHAMPIONSHIP. AT 23-UNDER, HE TOPPED THEO HUMPHREY BY ONE STROKE TO CLAIM HIS FIRST CAREER KORN FERRY TOUR WIN IN ARLINGTON, TEXAS.**

Tyson Alexander Bite: Theo still had to play the 18th so I was kind of still in game mode a little bit, trying of preparing myself for a play-off.

Theo aun tenía que jugar el hoyo 18, así que me mantuve muy concentrado, tratando de estar preparado para un desempate.

**THE 32-YEAR OLD FROM GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA, WHO WON THE 2018 COSTA RICA CLASSIC ON PGA TOUR LATINOAMÉRICA, SECURED THE WIN ON HIS 49TH KORN FERRY TOUR CAREER START.**

Tyson Alexander Bite: I always felt like I could win out here, and it’s just kind of nice to see me play to my potential, I think.

Siempre sentí que podía ganar acá, y creo que es muy bueno verme jugar a todo mi potencial.

**ALEXANDER, A UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA ALUM, ENTERED THE FINAL ROUND TRAILING BY FIVE SHOTS, BUT SHOT 3-UNDER ON THE FRONT NINE TO SHORTEN THE GAP AND GET IN CONTENTION. HIS BIRDIE ON NUMBER 9 WAS THE FIRST IN A STRING OF FOUR CONSECUTIVE BIRDIES AND A FINAL BIRDIE ON 16 ENDED UP SECURING THE TITLE OVER HUMPHREY.**

Tyson Alexander Bite: So just in the last 4 or 5 holes I kind of knew, and on 17I saw I was actually in the lead, and a… yeah, brought it home.

En los últimos 4 o 5 hoyos empecé a sospecharlo, y en el 17 vi que en realidad estaba liderando, y ... sí, lo logré cerrar.

**ALEXANDER, WHO COMES FROM A LONG LINE OF SUCCESSFUL GOLFERS, ENTERED THE WEEK IN ARLINGTON RANKED 88TH ON THE KORN FERRY TOUR POINTS STANDINGS… BUT NOW RANKS 31ST, NOT FAR FROM THE 25 WHO WILL SECURE PGA TOUR CARDS AT THE END OF THE REGULAR SEASON.**

Tyson Alexander Bite: Winning is really hard, especially on this level, but I feel like I still have work to do, there are other mountains I want to climb and I feel like this is kind of just a stepping stone and hopefully it will give me a lot of confidence going forward.

Ganar es muy difícil, especialmente en este nivel, y siento que todavía tengo mucho trabajo por hacer, hay otras montañas que quiero escalar y siento que esto es solo el comienzo, que espero me dé mucha confianza al futuro.

**PRIOR TO HIS FIRST KORN FERRY TOUR WIN, ALEXANDER TOP FINISHES WERE A COUPLE OF TOP-TENS RECORDED AT THE TPC COLORADO CHAMPIONSHIP AT HERON LAKES AND THE PINNACLE BANK CHAMPIONSHIO PRESENTED BY AETNA.**

Locutor Bite: De Estados Unidos, Tyson Alexander.

**ALEXANDER PLAYED TWO FULL SEASONS ON PGA TOUR LATINOAMÉRICA IN 2017 AND 2018, MAKING A TOTAL OF 30 CAREER STARTS.**

**HIS BEST SEASON IN LATIN AMERICA CAME IN 2018, WHEN HE RECORDED A VICTORY AND FOUR OTHER TOP-TENS IN 16 STARTS TO FINISH SEVENTH ON THE ORDER OF MERIT.**

**HIS WIN CAME AT THE COSTA RICA CLASSIC, WHERE HE EDGED OUT CHRIS KILLMER AND ERIC STEGER BY MAKING EAGLE ON THE SECOND HOLE OF A SUDDEN DEATH PLAYOFF THAT AT THE TIME TOOK HIM TO THE TOP OF THE ORDER OF MERIT.**

CAMINO AL TOUR – PATH TO THE PGA TOUR (Part 2)

**ORTIZ CLAIMED RUNNER-UP HONORS IN HIS FIRST START AS A PGA TOUR LATINOAMÉRICA MEMBER AT THE 2020 ESTRELLA DEL MAR OPEN IN MAZATLAN, MEXICO. DESPITE HIS IMPRESSIVE TOTAL OF 26-UNDER, HE FINISHED THREE-STROKES OFF THE PACE SET BY TOURNAMENT WINNER ALEX ROCHA…**

Álvaro Ortiz Bite: Todo el trabajo que hice en mi carrera de college y los trabajos que llevo haciendo con Justin, mi coach, que llevo trabajando más de 10 años con él, ya como que han llegado a un lugar donde esa habilidad golfística siempre está ahí por lo general. Me ha ayudado mucho a encontrar esa paz adentro de la cancha y poder darme la oportunidad de jugar mi mejor golf.

All the work that I have put in throughout my career in college and the specifics I have been working on with my coach, Justin, have paid off. I have been working with him for more than ten years to reach a point in which my golf has been consistent. He has helped me find the inner peace I need on the course, so I can give myself a chance to play my best golf.

**A YEAR AFTER HIS RUNNER-UP FINISH AT THE ESTRELLA DEL MAR OPEN, ORTIZ MADE A TRIUMPHANT RETURN TO MAZATLÁN TO WIN THE 61ST MEXICO OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP.**

Álvaro Ortiz Bite: Creo que no es fácil cuando llegas al torneo y está tu cara por todos lados, en las pancartas y hasta en las botellas de agua. La verdad que Estrella del Mar es un lugar que me encanta y me siento como en casa. Curiosamente fue la primera vez que atendí a la Selección Nacional Mexicana, y ahí como que empieza mi profesión realmente de golf. En Estrella del Mar realmente me siento muy cómodo y todo creo que fue una cuestión a ciertas cosas de mi actitud y preparación mental hacia el torneo y creo que si te fijas no hice ninguna reacción ni celebre ningún tiro hasta el hoyo 18.

It’s not easy when you arrive at a tournament venue and your face is everywhere, on the banners and even on the water bottles. Fortunately, Estrella del Mar is a place that I love, where I feel at home. Coincidentally, it was here where I first came to join a Mexican National Team, and that's when golf as a profession started to take shape for me. Here at Estrella del Mar, I feel very comfortable. I think it was a matter of managing my attitude and my mental preparation heading into this tournament. You can see I was really focused because I didn’t react or celebrate any shot until the last putt dropped on 18.

**ORTIZ ARRIVED AT THE SIXTY-FIRST PLAYING OF THE MEXICO OPEN WITH A MISSION. IT WAS A LIFE-LONG DREAM TO WIN HIS NATIONAL OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP AND HE ACCOMPLISHED IT WITH A STRONG PERFORMANCE.**

**TO MAKE THINGS EVEN MORE SPECIAL, HE HAD BROTHER ALEJANDRO CADDYING FOR HIM, WITH HIS PARENTS AND OTHER RELATIVES AND FRIENDS ALSO IN ATTENDANCE.**

Álvaro Ortiz Bite: Las emociones se viven más a flor de piel porque pues quieres jugar en frente bien de tus familiares, ¿no?. Sabia que estaban ahí pero me gustó el hecho de que me podía como distraer viendo a otras personas, saber que eran unos de la multitud. Y con mi hermano en la bolsa fue… fue increíble, creo que la primera vez que me caddea en un evento profesional y la verdad creo que no pudo haber hecho mejor trabajo del que hizo y la semana salió perfecta.

Emotions are more on the surface because you want to play well in front of your relatives, right? I knew they were there, but I liked the fact that I could distract myself by seeing other people, knowing that they were among the crowd. Having my brother in the bag it was… it was incredible. I think this was the first time he caddied for me in a professional event and he couldn't have done a better job than he did. The week turned out perfect.

**ADMITTEDLY NERVOUS, ORTIZ ENTERED THE FINAL DAY TRAILING BY FIVE, BUT PLAYED WELL ENOUGH TO PUT PRESSURE ON TOURNAMENT LEADER JORGE FERNÁNDEZ VALDÉS…**

Álvaro Ortiz Bite: Empecé muy nervioso, pero empecé jugando muy bien. Los primero tres hoyos cuando agarré el putt las tres veces estaba temblando. Sabes que cuando estas muy nervioso y a veces cuando tiemblas a veces no te das cuenta pero cuando te agachas, agachas los ojos para ponerte sobre la bola para potear y ves que tus manos se están moviendo es cuando sabes que está es la cosa, esto es en serio.

I was very nervous early in the day, but I got off to a very good start. I could feel myself shaking whenever I picked up the putter over the first three holes. Sometimes when you are nervous you don’t realize about it, but when you bend and put your look down to stand over the ball and putt and you feel your hand shaking then you know you are playing for real, for something serious.

**ORTIZ HAD FOUR BIRDIES AND ONE EAGLE BETWEEN HOLES 10 AND 15 TO CHARGE INTO A TIE FOR THE LEAD AND THEN PARED THE FINAL THREE HOLES TO SECURE HIS FIRST CAREER VICTORY AS A PROFESSIONAL.**

Álvaro Ortiz Bite: Y una vez entrando al back-nine después del putt del 10, todo fue como espectacular porque Jorgito empezó a jugar muy bien y yo fue cuando entre como en el trance donde pues todo me salía, todo lo que veía era.

Once I entered the back-nine, following the putt on 10, it was spectacular because Jorgito began to play very well, and I entered a zone in which everything went my way.

**WITH ONLY FOUR EVENTS LEFT TO COMPLETE THE 2020-21 PGA TOUR LATINOAMÉRICA SEASON, ORTIZ HAS HIS SIGHTS SET ON THE PRIZE… HOPING TO MOVE UP TO THE KORN FERRY TOUR, A STAGE WHERE HIS OLDER BROTHER CARLOS CLAIMED PLAYER OF THE YEAR HONORS IN 2014.**

Álvaro Ortiz Bite: Creo que mi hermano en una entrevista lo explica muy bien donde entre las veintitantas semanas que juegas en el año solo seis vas a jugar bien, hay que hacerlo contar y hacer los números de puntos mayor posible para así ganar tu tarjeta del PGA TOUR.

I think my brother explained it quite well in an interview. Of the twenty-plus weeks that you play in the year, there are only six in which you play really well, so you have to make them count and claim as many points as you can to earn your PGA TOUR card.

Golf 101

**WHO HASN’T FOUND THE BALL IN A BAD SPOT TO HIT FROM A BUNKER?**

**IT CAN BE A NIGHTMARE, RIGHT?... IN A NEW INSTALLMENT OF GOLF 101, PGA TOUR LATINOAMÉRICA MEMBER ROWIN CARON PROVIDES US WITH A COUPLE OF TIPS TO SURVIVE WHENEVER YOU ARE IN A SAND TRAP.**

Rowin Caron bite: My name is Rowin Caron, I’m from the Netherlands, I’m a pro on PGA TOUR Latinoamerica, and this is Golf 101.

So on this shot where you have a severe downhill line in the bunker, what I’m going to try to do is get a really wide stand and get my shoulders parallel to the down slop, so that way I can hit a normal bunker shot, and what I’m going to do is I’m going to open the face up all the way and just hit a regular bunker shot and let the club do the work. So kind of like this.

Man I’m pretty happy with that. I hope this was helpful for you guys, this was Golf 101 and see you next time.

Mi nombre es Rowin Caron, soy de Holanda, juego en PGA TOUR Latinoamérica y esto es Golf 101.

Entonces, en este tiro, en el que tienes una severa línea cuesta abajo en el búnker, lo que voy a intentar es poner mis pies en un stance muy amplio, con mis hombros paralelos a la pendiente que baja, de esa manera puedo pegar un tiro de búnker normal. Lo que haré es abrir la cara del palo hacia arriba por completo y simplemente hacer un tiro nomal en el búnker y dejar que el palo haga el trabajo. Algo parecido a esto.

Ese tiro me deja bastante satisfecho y espero que les haya sido útil. Esto fue Golf 101, ¡nos vemos la próxima!

BUMP #2

**COMING UP... ON ESTO ES PGA TOUR LATINOAMÉRICA!**

**WE WILL SEE HOW OUR 2018 MEXICO OPEN CHAMPION AUSTIN SMOTHERMAN CLAIMED ONE OF THE COOLEST TROPHIES IN GOLF AT THE KORN FERRY TOUR’S SIMMONS BANK OPEN.**

**WE WILL ALSO LEARN ABOUT THE FORME TOUR, A NEW SERIES OF TOURNAMENTS THAT WILL PROVIDE PGA TOUR CANADA MEMBERS A PATH TO THE KORN FERRY TOUR THIS SUMMER…**

Block 3

Title

**Esto es PGA TOUR Latinoamerica!**

KORN FERRY TOUR (Parte 2)

**ONLY TWO WEEKS AFTER TYSON ALEXANDER’S WIN IN TEXAS, ANOTHER 2018 PGA TOUR LATINOAMÉRICA CHAMPION CLAIMED A KORN FERRY TOUR TITLE OF HIS OWN AT THE SIMMONS BANK OPEN, A TOURNAMENT THAT SUPPORTS THE BRANDT SNEDEKER FOUNDATION.**

Brandt Snedeker Bite: A huge part of what we are trying to do here is to raise money for Middle Tennessee, my foundation and me are beneficiary so raise money for junior golf, other kids organizations for high helps, all kind of different avenues kind of help this event juice and kids in Middle Tenessee so, without this event we couldn’t do a lot of stuff we are trying to do and… Sneads Tour is a big beneficiary, is our junior golf tour in Little Tenessee, we got 1900 of our kids playing about 91 events, golf courses on summer time so… that’s a fun step, such a great thing to do, being able to host a great championship like this and on a great golf course at the Grove kind of makes everything worth it.

Una enorme parte de lo que procuramos hacer aquí es recaudar fondos para Middle Tennessee, mi fundación y mi tour son los beneficiarios. Juntamos dinero para el golf junior y para otras organizaciones para niños. Seguimos diferentes avenidas para sacar provecho de este evento, sin el cual no podríamos hacer muchas de las cosas que estamos haciendo. El Sneads Tour es el gran beneficiario, es nuestro tour junior en Middle Tennessee. Tenemos a 1,900 niños que juegan unos 91 eventos en diferentes campos de golf en el verano. Es divertido, es algo grande que logramos como anfitriones de este gran campeonato en un gran campo de golf como The Grove, hace que todo valga la pena.

**AUSTIN SMOTHERMAN, THE 2018 MEXICO OPEN CHAMPION ON PGA TOUR LATINOAMÉRICA, STARTED HIS WEEK AT COLLEGE GROVE WITH A 65 TO SHARE THE OPENING ROUND LEAD WITH ANOTHER LATIN AMERICA ALUM, STEPHAN JAEGER.**

**A SECOND ROUND OF 69 ALLOWED THE S.M.U. ALUM TO CLAIM THE SOLO LEAD THROUGH 36 HOLES.**

**HIS ROAD TO VICTORY WAS NOT EASY. THE 27-YEAR OLD FROM DALLAS, TEXAS HAD TO BATTLE SEVERAL WEATHER DELAYS THROUGHOUT THE WEEK AND PLAYERS SUCH AS BRENT GRANT, WHO TIED HIM FOR THE LEAD THROUGH 54 HOLES.**

Austin Smotherman bite: I was playing well, and open the rounds on the lead all day, the delays didn’t make it any easier, luckily my wife is here, we grab some food, being able to talk and hang out, same thing with Brandon Wu, but eh, it’s emotional, it’s awesome, it’s everything we worked for.

Jugué bien y abrí las rondas como líder cada día. Las suspensiones no facilitaron las cosas, pero por suerte mi esposa estaba aquí, así que comimos algo y pudimos hablar y pasar el tiempo juntos, al igual que con Brandon Wu. Pero bueno, es muy emocionante, es increíble, es todo por lo que veníamos trabajando.

**SMOTHERMAN STOOD STRONG ON THE FINAL DAY AND MANAGED TO PULL AWAY WITH A HUGE CHIP-IN FOR BIRDIE ON 17.**

**FINISHING THE WEEK AT 16-UNDER, HE WENT ON TO WIN BY THREE SHOTS OVER CARL YUAN AND PAUL HALEY II….**

**IT WAS A MEMORABLE MOTHER’S DAY FOR SMOTHERMAN, WHO CLAIMED HIS FIRST KORN FERRY TOUR TITLE ON HIS FIFTIETH CAREER START ON TOUR.**

Austin Smotherman bite: Happy mother’s day mom, love you!

¡Feliz día mamá! ¡Te amo!

**WITH THE WIN IN NASHVILLE, SMOTHERMAN CHANRGED INSIDE THE TOP-25 ON THE KORN FERRY TOUR POINT STANDINGS.**

**AS THE TOURNAMENT CHAMPION, HE WAS PRESENTED WITH ONE OF THE COOLEST TROPHIES IN GOLF: THE SEAMUS GOLF GIBSON GUITAR, FABRICATED OF BLACKENED STEEL WITH A BRONZE TONE.**

Austin Smotherman bite: You are going to take whatever trophy you are going to get but, I mean this one has a little mysticism to it, I mean it’s 40 pounds so I’m not going to be playing it every night but I might to start figuring out how to play guitar, so… I’ll let you know in a year or two.

Siempre vas a recibir con gusto el trofeo que te toque, pero este tiene algo de misticismo. Pesa unas 40 libras, así que no creo que lo toque todas las noches, pero quizás me tome el tiempo para aprender a tocar la guitarra… te lo dejaré saber en un año o dos.

**AS A PGA TOUR LATINOAMÉRICA MEMBER, SMOTHERMAN MADE 31 CAREER STARTS BETWEEN 2017 AND 2018.**

Austin Smotherman bite: I won the 59 Mexico Open in 2018, it was the PGA TOUR Latinoamerica Tour, the Mexican Open at Tijuana Country Club and in that week, I think I shot 18-under and won by 3. I don’t know if I lead wire-to-wire that week, that’s kind of a little cherry on the top for this week.

Gané el 59º Abierto Mexicano de Golf, en 2018, es un torneo del PGA TOUR Latinoamérica. Fue en el Tijuana Country Club y esa semana hice 18-bajo par y gané por tres golpes. No recuerdo si lideré de punta a punta esa semana, así que esa es la cereza del pastel esta semana.

**THAT TIME HE WON ON PGA TOUR LATINOAMÉRICA, SMOTHERMAN OPENED THE MEXICO OPEN IN A TIE FOR TENTH AND WORKED HIS WAY INTO A THREE-WAY TIE FOR THE LEAD WITH 18 HOLES TO PLAY. A FINAL ROUND OF 65 SECURED HIM THE WIN BY FOUR SHOTS.**

**WITH HIS WIN IN NASHVILLE, PGA TOUR LATINOAMÉRICA MEMBERS HAVE NOW COLLECTED AN IMPRESSIVE TOTAL OF 31 VICTORIES ON THE KORN FERRY TOUR.**

FORME TOUR

**THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC HAS MADE THINGS DIFFICULT FOR PLAYERS COMPETING ON THE DEVELOPMENTAL TOURS, ESPECIALLY THOSE WITH PGA TOUR CANADA MEMBERSHIP. AFTER HAVING THEIR 2020 SEASON CANCELLED, THINGS WEREN’T LOOKING GOOD FOR A 2021 SEASON TO HAPPEN IN CANADA BECAUSE OF RESTRICTIONS AND OTHER COVID-19-RELATED ISSUES AT THE U.S.-CANADIAN BORDER. THE PANDEMIC EVEN LED TO THE CANCELATION OF THE RBC CANADIAN OPEN, A HISTORIC PGA TOUR EVENT THAT DIDN’T GET TO BE PLAYED IN 2020 AND 2021.**

**UNDER THOSE CIRCUMSTANCES, THE PGA TOUR ANNOUNCED THE CREATION OF THE FORME TOUR, A NEW TOUR THAT WILL ALLOW PGA TOUR CANADA MEMBERS TO COMPETE IN A SERIES OF U.S.-BASED EVENTS BETWEEN LATE JUNE AND EARLY OCTOBER.**

**THE FORME TOUR WILL BE CONDUCTED IDENTICALLY TO OTHER PGA TOUR-AFFILIATED TOUR TOURNAMENTS. THE TOUR MEMBERSHIP WILL FEATURE THE TOP-60 POINTS EARNERS FROM THE 2019 PGA TOUR CANADA SEASON, QUALIFIED MEMBERS FROM THE PGA TOUR UNIVERSITY RANKING AND THOSE WHO SUCCESSFULLY QUALIFIED AT THE THREE QUALIFYING TOURNAMENTS IN 2020 AND THE SEVEN 2021 QUALIFYING TOURNAMENTS.**

**THE FORME TOUR IS SPONSORED BY FORME, A WELLNESS-TECHNOLOGY COMPANY THAT DESIGNS THERAPEUTIC WEARABLES TO OPTIMIZE NECK AND SPINAL ALIGNMENT, CORRECT POSTURE AND BOOSTS RECOVERY.**

**THE U.S.-BASED TOUR WILL FEATURE EIGHT 72-HOLE TOURNAMENTS IN SEVEN STATES, BEGINNING WITH THE L&J GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP AT JENNINGS MILL COUNTRY CLUB IN THE ATHENS, GEORGIA, SUBURB OF WATKINSVILLE, SET FOR JUNE 23-26. THE SEASON-ENDING TOURNAMENT WILL BE THE FORME TOUR CHAMPIONSHIP AT THE RIDGE AT BACK BROOK, SET FOR SEPTEMBER 7-10 IN RINGOES, NEW JERSEY, WHICH IS ONLY 45 MILES AWAY FROM PHILADELPHIA.**

**THE FORME TOUR TOP-FIVE POINTS EARNERS WILL SECURE 2021-22 KORN FERRY TOUR MEMBERSHIP ALONG WITH OTHERS ADVANCING TO THE SECOND AND FINAL STAGES OF THE KORN FERRY TOUR QUALIFYING TOURNAMENT.**

Tease next show

**ON OUR NEXT EPISODE... THE 2020-21 PGA TOUR LATINOAMÉRICA SEASON RESUMES WITH TOURNAMENTS IN THE U.S. AND COLOMBIA, SO WE’LL HAVE ALL THE HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE THE CLUB AT WESTON HILLS OPEN AND THE HOLCIM COLOMBIA CLASSIC PRESENTED BY VOLVO.**

**WE WILL ALSO REVIEW THE SUCCESSFUL SEASON TOUR ALUM STEPHAN JAEGER IS HAVING ATOP THE KORN FERRY TOUR POINTS STANDINGS.**

**ON GOLF 101, MEXICO’S ISIDRO BENÍTEZ WILL SHOW WHAT’S THE BEST WAY TO PLAY INSIDE 100 YARDS.**

Benitez Bite: Yo les voy a enseñar como hacer un bump and run y un flop shot.

I am going to show you how to hit a bump and run and a flop shot.

**ALL THIS AND MORE COMING TO YOU NEXT MONTH!**