

2022 PGA TOUR - THE CUT #4 (FARMERS INSURANCE OPEN) INTERNATIONAL SCRIPT

Cold Open - Alford

SOT Alford: "Sam, what's going on man?"

SOT Burns: "What's up Rhino?"

SOT Alford: "Nothing much man. Good playing this week in the tourney."

SOT Burns: "We started playing golf together when we were like 10."

SOT Alford: "Probably younger than that to be honest. Front nine tour."

SOT Burns: "Nobody probably knows this, but we used to like as we get done playing golf before it was night time, we would take a cart and we hide it like in the woods behind chipping green. And we'd come back later that night and go get the cart and we'd drive behind. There was this hole that, like the road kind of ran right directly behind and we'd go get the golf cart drive back there and take about a dozen eggs. See how many cars we could pickoff back there. I think one time we hit a cop car. I don't know if you were with us that time."

SOT Alford: "Yeah, Brandon Rice was there, I remember that, yeah. He put the spotlight on us and we had to hide, Yes. So yeah, I was there for that for that one."

The CUT Titles

VO: WELCOME TO PGA TOUR, THE CUT.

Kamaiu Johnson, Ryan Alford Exemptions

SOT Johnson: "Ryan Alford you're a friend of mine, we travel together, we push each other. It's an honor for me to give the exemption to you this year."

SOT Alford: "Hats off, I want to thank all you. Thank all of you. I appreciate it. All right. Very grateful for the opportunity. I'm very thankful."

SOT Alford: "I'm from Shreveport, Louisiana, small town, a lot of people come out of there, a lot of great golfers as well. Yeah, man I enjoyed every bit of it. I mean, I wouldn't change it, wouldn't change it for, for the world."

SOT Burns: "We both grew up in Shreveport. And then we played on a little nine-hole tour called the Frontnine Tour. I just remember Ryan being really good, beat me a lot of the time, and so I think, that was one of the things that, one of the reasons I wanted to get to know Ryan is because he was a really good player and I wanted to see why he was beating me all the time."

SOT Matt: "Well, he's hungry. You know, he is hungry. He wants it. He's willing to do just about anything that he needs to do to get there and he does it the right way."

SOT Alford: "I grew up, my dad taught my brother, so I was actually just chasing trying to beat him, trying to be better than my brother. I just wanted to show my dad, man that I could do it."

SOT Raymond Alford: "Ryan was really a tag along, and I had him a set of plastic clubs. And my other son was hitting clubs, he kept saying, I can hit it further than him, dad, I can hit it further than him. And I said, no, you can't. And he just busts both his clubs up, all the small plastic clubs, and so I had to go buy him a real set. And, so he just gravitated to the game, had a natural swing and just developed and never would quit."

SOT Rogers: "Usually if you saw Ryan, you saw his daddy or his daddy was always at every match that I can remember. In high school, if there was a match, his dad was there."

SOT Alford: "That's everything and more I could ask for in a father figure, I take my hat off to him every day. I'm thankful to have somebody like that in my life, to teach me everything I know now. He made me the man that I am today, on the golf course, off the golf course, anywhere."

SOT Alford: "I mean that is where it all started at man. I used to go out there when I was a kid. They used to call me power ranger because I used to walk around with a power ranger toy in my hand. Not even worried about a thing in the air, man. Every Saturday. I spent most of my Saturdays at that very golf course right there. It taught me to deal with adversity at a young age because everything is not going to be perfect. You're not going to have great lies, you're not going to have even lies, the greens won't be rolling well, but at the end of the day everybody has the same playing field so I just feel like the adversity factor of that made me who I am today."

SOT Rogers: "Ryan's just a good example for kids period."

SOT Terry: "He's going to get better I mean he is just scratching the surface of who he is going to be."

SOT Pullin: "He doesn't flinch. Nothing really rattles him. That's just his personality and it just carries over great to the course."

SOT Burns: "So, I think it is just a matter of time before a guy like Ryan breaks through and is on the PGA Tour and winning on the PGA Tour."

Patrick Reed Feature

ANNC: "Torrey Pines – the south course – so celebrated and so much a part of the West Coast swing"

SOT REED: "If it's 75 and sunny here with no wind or if it's 50 degrees and blowing, it's a hard golf course."

ANNC: "He's just kinda playing golf like you wanna play and when he misses he's got the shots in the arsenal to save it."

SOT REED: "You have to have resilience, especially when you're out here, because golf, as hard as it is and you come to a place like this where it's so demanding and not just off the tees, it doesn't matter if it's a drive, it's iron shots, a wedge shot putt. You have to be all locked in 24-7."

ANNC: "He's just in command, it's been remarkable how he's been able to quiet his mind and come out here and get the job done today."

ANNC: "Winner by five...by far his largest margin of victory."

SOT REED: "This one is pretty special to go ahead and get this win, especially with making such a big swing change."

SOT REED: "It was something I felt allowed me to settle out into the new golf swing and the new feelings."

ANNC: "Fabulous shot...his short game play this week...chipping, putting, pitching – fantastic"

SOT REED: "You're going to always win it kind of revert back to the old swing. And because of that, you can put yourself in some situations where you're going to have to allow the short game to work. And I think that was the biggest thing was being able to kind of get those crucial up and downs on 14,15."

ANNC: "Very nicely done, great up and down there."

ANNC: "The strong point of his week all those little shots around the green. And the putting too."

SOT REED: "You have to be resilient when you're out there playing because you could get some quality golf shots, end up just in the wrong spots and you're having to grind and try to get up and down."

ANNC: "His short game used to be under the radar, 'have you seen this guy and how good he is? Now obviously it is under the spotlight. Got great touch, great vision."

SOT REED: "I feel like golf is a game where it's won not just by talent, but hard work. One day you're out there, you'll hit 14 fairways, 18 greens and you know, make every putt and then the next day you go out there you feel like you haven't swung golf club before."

ANNC: "Again – leaning on that short game of his."

SOT REED: "I love the game, it throws punches at you, you throw punches at it and at the end of the day, hopefully you're the one standing."

Bump

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Sahith BMW Experience

NATS DRIVING INSTRUCTOR: "We're going to go faster and faster and faster. We want to be inch perfect. We don't want to rush into the corners. You want to go in slow and come out fast."

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SOT DRIVING INSTRUCTOR: "We're going to hit the M1 button. I want you to hit that press and hold that button right there for about five seconds."

SOT SAHITH THEEGALA: "Five seconds."

SOT DRIVING INSTRUCTOR: "Until we see all off, it should say all off."

SOT SAHITH THEEGALA: "There's so much power under my foot right now."

SOT SAHITH THEEGALA: "I know I'm going to be slow. I'm a pretty methodical guy, so this is... I'll try not to be slow, but..."

NATS DRIVING INSTRUCTOR: "All right, here we go."

SOT CAMERA OP/PRODUCER: "You more nervous right now or when you're going to the first tee?"

SOT THEEGALA: "Oh, first tee, for sure. Once that first tee shot's hit though it's great."

SOT DRIVING INSTRUCTOR: "Ok, first lap's painfully slow."

SOT SAHITH THEEGALA: "This is painfully slow?"

NATS DRIVING INSTRUCTOR: "We're going to gently start pulling back right there very, very late."

SOT SAHITH THEEGALA: "It's hard to see what he's doing."

NATS DRIVING INSTRUCTOR: "We're going to pick it up a little bit right here."

SOT SAHITH THEEGALA: "What?! 75! Oh my God, I have no chance. These guys are incredible. How are they taking this turn that fast? I think I'm gonna get kicked out. 60? I made that turn at like 40."

NATS DRIVING INSTRUCTOR: "We need no brake."

SOT SAHITH THEEGALA: "No brake."

NATS DRIVING INSTRUCTOR: "Turn."

SOT SAHITH THEEGALA: "This is too stressful for me."

SOT SAHITH THEEGALA: "Ahh! Oh, my goodness. This is ridiculous."

SOT DRIVING INSTRUCTOR: "I'm going to lead you into the pit lane."

SOT SAHITH THEEGALA: "It's insane. Like, you can't describe it. It's scary. I'm not going to lie. It's scary knowing that there's so much power behind this car."

SOT SAHITH THEEGALA: "It's one of a kind of experience. The fact that the tour is reaching out to me and some of these other guys saying, hey we got this cool thing planned out for you is additional perks of getting a tour card."

Travis Fulton Feature

SOT FULTON: "All right out here on golf course with Doug Ghim American Express championship. You like this place three courses, but you've played well here T5 last year we're out here at Nicklaus course par four. What are you looking at here? What's the strategy off the tee?"

SOT GHIM: "Yeah, I mean, obviously, generally speaking, we're looking for bunkers, where the sight line would be with certain clubs will give myself the best chance of hitting the fairway. And so here, Mike has told me that driver basically takes the left bunker out of play. So if I were to hit this club, it would be down the left."

SOT FULTON: "Alright, let's do it."

SOT GHIM: "Just right about there."

SOT FULTON: "And that ball fell to the right a little bit. Is that typical for you? A little left, right off the tee?"

SOT GHIM: "Yeah, it's been something I've been working on. I know my path gets pretty far in to out a lot of bad things happen. I normally hit the ball right to left. But I've been working hard this offseason to get it to fall a little right."

SOT FULTON: "All right, good drive Doug, got a little short iron in our hand. First question. What are the numbers from your caddie? You want to know, when you're approaching a green like this?"

SOT GHIM: "The the number one thing that we always get is the front number. All the pin sheets are based off the front number. Mike'll usually give me the raw number, which meaning without any elevation, what is the number and then the book will usually tell us it's going to play about two yards uphill. So like in the tournament, he would give me this cover number. So it's five over to cover. So adjust is 135 to carry that. So for me, that's important, because that information gives me more information to decide because this is a little bit of an in-between number. Okay, and so it's like, do I crush a pitching wedge? Can I cover the front? Or do I smooth a nine? And in this case, it'd be the smooth nine."

SOT FULTON: "Alright, let's see a little three quarter Nine iron."

SOT FULTON: "Very nice. There's that little cut again. just kinda falling to the right slightly."

SOT GHIM: "Just a little bit."

SOT FULTON: "Yeah."

SOT GHIM: "Yup."

SOT FULTON: "Alright, up, you're on the green now, about 20 feet, Walk us through some of the things that you use when you're looking at a putt like this to make that final decision of how much break you're gonna play."

SOT GHIM: "When a lot of people look at reading a putt, they make the mistake of basically assuming that there is an apex and the putt is straight to the apex and then it breaks at the very end. A lot of amateurs, A lot of junior golfers, will line their ball to there. And that puts you in a tough spot, because you're not necessarily reading the space between that and that high point. And so while that could be correct where the ball actually does need to cross there to go in. If you line your ball there, the ball is not actually going to cross there, it's going to break before it gets there. For me, what I like to do is I try to pick an entry where I think the ball enter the hole. And I like to snail trail it back to where my ball is."

SOT FULTON: "Good putt there."

SOT GHIM: "Thank you."

ANNC: "So Ghim looking for his first win."

SOT FULTON: "So coming out of the offseason, you look ahead 2022 season. Is there anything that you you worked on really hard in the offseason that you are hoping to see that improvement as you look ahead?"

SOT GHIM: "For sure. I mean, when I look at my stats from last year, I did everything relatively well. But the biggest thing for me, that kind of held me back a little bit was putting. It's definitely something that me, Derek and Chris emphasized because at the end of the day if I putt it well I probably would have had a lot more chances to contend and win, and maybe even in this tournament last year, would have had a chance to win. And so it's something that we worked on basically every day in the offseason and just kind of excited to see how much progress we've made"

SOT FULTON: "Well, best of luck, a good place for you to start. You played here very well last year. Let's get that putter heated up. Doug Ghim thank you so much."

SOT GHIM: "Thank you. Thanks for having me."

AmEx Winner

ANNC: "For 63 years the PGA TOUR has been coming to the desert, and a championship is on the line today"

SOT SWAFFORD: "I've fallen in love with this place. It is kind of my West Coast home, honestly. I don't know why here, it's just it clicks."

ANNC: "Another Bulldog winning on the PGA TOUR – Hudson Swafford breaks through."

ANNC: "Final round of the American Express. Hudson Swafford with birdies at 10, 11, and 12 to take the lead"

ANNC: "An eagle on the par 5 16th and Hudson Swafford, a little fist pump as he opens up a two-shot lead."

SOT SWAFFORD: "Golf's not easy. You know, I had a great win, I had a good fall last year and then I kind of was working on my golf swing just trying to make it a little better."

ANNC: "That might nail down his second win here at the American Express."

SOT SWAFFORD: "I had just felt like I was going to win today. I didn't know how it was going to happen. But I just had a I just had a crazy, good feeling."

ANNC: "Wow how clutch was that, right in the heart. And that means that Hudson Swafford has won the 2022 American Express."

SOT SWAFFORD: "About a month ago, my father passed away and his birthday was this week. So I know he was following and watching and to get it done. It was awesome."

FEC Standings

VO: SWAFFORD'S THIRD CAREER WIN MOVED HIM UP TO SEVENTH PLACE IN THE FEDEX CUP STANDINGS. HIDEKI MATSUYAMA REMAINS AT THE TOP SPOT.

Comcast Business TOUR Top 10

VO: MATSUYAMA ALSO LEADS THE COMCAST BUSINESS TOUR TOP 10. HE IS THE ONLY PLAYER SO FAR THIS SEASON TO RECORD MULTIPLE VICTORIES ON THE PGA TOUR.

Saving Shots Feature

VO: THE CUT PRESENTS, SAVING SHOTS.

ANNC: "We saw Brian Harman miss the green at the Nicklaus course, this is his final hole...Now how about that? Is that any good?"

ANNC: "Just trying to run it down the bank, this is really good here. This is really good."

ANNC: "Over at 16, Will Zalatoris coming off birdie at 15...eagle at 16 and Zalatoris is at 19 under."

ANNC: "See what Kizzire can do with this one. Ball's laying down a bit, and he's chipping to a green that's running away from him. And that thing landed softly."

Scottie Scheffler Feature

SOT Scheffler: "Success out here, I would say, is just working about as hard as I can, and then outside of that, just doing my best. Even if I have a really bad round to start off an event just fighting your way back to either make the cut or just going out and competing. I don't set specific goals, but I know where I want to be at the end of the year."

ANNC: "Up and down day for Scottie Scheffler trying to get it up and down from the green side bunker. Good shot, really good."

SOT Scheffler: "You know, my first couple of years playing professional golf, I expected to play, I think, really well all the time and I think a skill I learned pretty early on was playing good when I'm not playing my best. And so playing good golf when you're uncomfortable and that's something I feel like I continue to improve on."

ANNC: "Scottie just probably shouldn't take on this hole location, a little long, a little right would be ideal here."

SOT Scheffler: "I don't think I've put myself in position enough. And so for me, I'm trying to stay more focused on Thursday through Saturday, just getting myself into that position. Sometimes I lose focus and I'm too far back going into Sunday."

ANNC: "Scheffler taking quite a while to choose a club. Wow! That wind. Totally fooled he and his caddie."

SOT Scheffler: "I striped that."

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ANNC: "Brutal pitch shot, just trying to land it in the perfect spot, which he did. Oh yes. Scottie Scheffler, how about that?"

SOT Scheffler: "I gave myself a chance to win here. In the end, I put myself in position on Sunday, an odd break here or there maybe goes my way and you know, it's a whole different story."

SOT Scheffler: "I have some things I've been working on throughout the course of the year and have some, some time to really make some, some good changes to my game. I've done well performing and winning at each level. And so for me, it's kind of the same thing just getting those reps and getting in position to win tournaments."

TOUR Playlist (in GS)

VO: THIS WEEK THE FARMERS INSURANCE OPEN BEGINS ON WEDNESDAY AND WILL CONCLUDE ON SATURDAY AT TORREY PINES GOLF COURSE. IT IS THE SECOND OF FIVE STRAIGHT EVENTS ON THE WEST COAST.

Kamaiu Johnson feature

ANNC: "What a story this young man is, Kamaiu Johnson. Plays on the APGA Tour, he was the champion there in 2020. Has fought against the odds to make it out here on the PGA Tour, and he's playing as a sponsored exemption this week. Incredible young man, good to see him out here."

SOT JACQUES: "Who is Kamaiu now, who is Kamaiu Johnson now?"

SOT JOHNSON: "I mean me like, I'm a very, I'm a people person, outgoing person. I you know, I think right now, instead of talking about my story and what I've been through, where I came from, it's more of like, you know I just want to be on this Earth to inspire people right? And that's kind of the person I am. I mean, you ask the guys that I travel with, you know, I'm like the dad of the crew, right? I'm like the motivational guy and just kinda the guy that keeps people going. And that's kind of how I was raised and kind of how I want my legacy to be."

SOT JOHNSON: "You know, I try to be more than a golfer, right? You know, more than an athlete."

SOT JACQUES: "Is that a big goal for you, to be more than an athlete?"

SOT JOHNSON: "More than an athlete, yeah absolutely."

SOT JACQUES: "Where do you see Kamaiu 5 years from now?"

SOT JOHNSON: "5 years from now, PGA TOUR player, PGA TOUR winner. Bunch of real estate, just more on the business side, and just being more than a golfer man, just like helping people."

ANNC: "Kamaiu Johnson for par. Talked about his wonderful story earlier and how good is that?"

SOT JOHNSON: "I'm a very consistent player. What it takes to make it on the PGA Tour is being consistent. But I realized that when I was out there, I wasn't intentional enough at all. Playing out there with those guys, they're so intentional man. And that's what I need to get better at, is being more intentional. Let's do whatever it takes to get better. I have the resources. I have corporate America, I have these great sponsors behind me, let's do it right."

SOT JOHNSON: "It truly means a lot now that someone's willing to give me a second chance to play in the Farmers Insurance Open. It means a lot, it means the world."

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