**2022 PGA TOUR – The CUT #34 (BMW Championship Documentary)**

**A1**

ANNC - And he's got it. Finally, Zalatoris is a PGA Tour winner, the second leg of the FedEx Cup playoffs at the BMW Championship. The first ever official PGA Tour event to be held in the state of Delaware Wilmington Country Club. With its dramatic elevation, changes can play more than 7500 yards. Now the push is on to make it to the final 30. Who will vie for the FedEx Cup title next week? The 16th edition of the FedEx Cup playoffs.

**A2 TITLES**

**WELCOME TO PGA TOUR THE CUT**

**A3 BMW SETUP**

ANNC - The FedEx Cup playoffs heated up at the BMW Championship at Wilmington Country Club, the first ever PGA Tour event held in the state of Delaware.

RYAN LAVNER SOT - The first thing that stands out is just the sheer size of the property. It's enormous. There's a lot of infrastructure. It just feels like a major golf tournament is about to be played here.

ZALATORIS SOT - This is a big golf course. I mean, it's 7500 yards, huge sloping greens. If I were to design a golf course, this is probably how I would design it for me

MCILROY SOT – It’s a golf course that is a little more up my alley compared to, say, last week in Memphis, my sort of golf course that I feel like I can excel on.

ANNC - Missed the cut last week in Memphis. And then he flew right here to Wilmington.

MCILROY SOT - I've been on the course every day since Saturday. It's nice to get back on it and prepare and get to know a new golf course. Get a little bit of a head start on everyone else.

**RORY MCILROY’S PREPARATION PAYS OFF EARLY IN THE OPENING ROUNDS, WITH BIRDIES ON FOUR OF HIS FIRST SEVEN HOLES.**

ANNC - What a birdie putt there for McIlroy. What a start for the man who has won this championship and has also won two FedExCup titles in his career.

**AS THE CROWDS FOLLOW HIS QUEST FOR A THIRD FEDEXCUP, ONE FAN MIGHT BE HIS BIGGEST. 19-YEAR OLD KILLIAN O’REILLY, WHO HAS CYSTIC FIBROSIS, GOT AN UP CLOSE EXPERIENCE WITH HIS FAVORITE PLAYER ONE DAY EARLIER.**

**A4 RORY MAKE A WISH**

NATS - Killian. Nice to meet you too, sir. How are you doing? Okay.

KILLIAN SOT - Meeting your hero is definitely something that you'll never forget.

NATS - You got to hang around for a little bit. Yeah, I'm here for the whole week. Oh, nice. Yeah. Oh, perfect. So I'll be following you for a while. Awesome.

KILLIAN SOT - My parents have a photo of me when I was 18 months old or so. Swing in a duster. I started taking it seriously when I was around 14 years old. And then here I am today. I always love swinging a club. You know everything about golf. I love it

NATS - in the in the meet might do it. I know you're skipping the first day of sophomore year that. Yeah. Get out of here. What can I say? Killian, do you want to hit a shot here and you take a swing at the club? Let's go make some noise. They're killing it right now. You already know, Killian, and you right now have the world's greatest caddie of all time. You have a club now, bro. Hopefully you get a photo here. You know, suppose we bag Killian and we go with the beautiful Rory McIlroy draw bro. Best shot of the day. My God. Killian. Yeah, that's right.

MCILROY SOT - To play the 15th hole and have Killian and walked on there, have him hit a shot at a hell of a shot to seven iron from one 1950. Draw like 12 feet. You know, he was under a little bit of pressure there with a tee shot and he stepped up and hit a great shot.

KILLIAN SOT - Hitting that tee shot in front of him was absolutely amazing. I was a pretty active kid growing up. Played a lot of different sports, like swimming, wrestling, football, baseball. As time kind of progressed, it got a little bit harder to do all those fast moving sports. Luckily for golf, that doesn't take your breath away.

NATS - Yeah, you just made me look very, very average. It's like, I know you're doing great. Oh. You build your own product? Yeah, absolutely.

KILLIAN SOT - Not many people know I have C.F. until I physically tell them that I have cystic fibrosis or if I pull out my medicine in front of them.

KILLIAN’S DAD SOT - I started this process a couple of years ago and Kiki had really kind of given up on it.

NATS - Oh, I scared you with the fuzz. Yeah, you told me it was fast. Yeah. Sorry. Good stroke. Yeah, I get the par

KILLIAN’S MOM SOT - Killian’s been dreaming about this for a long time, and never in our wildest dreams did we imagine that he would be able to play a hole with Rory. It was amazing. It was just above and beyond

Nats - just the reaction to beating Rory McIlroy I knew. And I'm going to tell everyone, make sure everyone knows about it. But his putt did kind of let out a little bit. So it's okay. Maybe next time. Maybe next time.

**A5 OPENING RNDS PT1**

MCILROY SOT - It's funny, I probably didn't play quite as well today as I did yesterday, but ended up shooting the same score.

ANNC - The ends off with a birdie at the last. They are love and Rory.

MCILROY SOT - It's getting tricky. It's getting firm. It's only going to continue to get that way over the weekend. So it's nice to be in a position.

ANNC - Jordan Spieth missed the cut last week. He has bounced back nicely.

SPIETH SOT - I feel like in every facet of my game it's trending and improving and I know what to do to get it better and better.

**SPIETH’S TRENDING GAME SHOWS OFF WITH A 68 ON THURSDAY, COMING OFF A MEETING WITH ONE LOCAL CADDIE ON WEDNESDAY.**

**A6 SPIETH EVANS SCHOLAR**

FRANK NATS - Guess I better get some Rangers.

FRANK’S DAD SOT - Right. It's a family of six. We have a unique situation where we have quadruplets. Frank, along with his three siblings, were born together. We have identical twin girls and a fraternal brother. Just been a blessing.

FRANK NATS - So the anticipation when I got a text on Monday night saying what was going to happen and who I'll be carrying for, you know, I was overcome with joy and it was just unbelievable.

NATS - Yeah, we're looking forward to it. Yeah, we. Awesome. This is your course. This is my course. Yeah. Pick your brain. Yep.

FRANK’S MOM - About as good as you can do financially. It's always been difficult providing diapers, food, formula, schooling, clothing. All the kids did work early, though. They want to have money to do fun things. They're going to have to do that themselves.

FRANK NATS - It was through a friend of mine that recommended that Frank start caddying and surprise me. He said, Yeah, I'll try it. This is going to be the end of my sixth year. Yeah. So I started. Yeah. So I started coming into the. In the middle school there. All through high school. Yeah. Get a little kick right there. Yep. Yep. Done. He was looking out for me the whole time.

FRANK SOT - He wanted to know my story. I told him, and I got to learn so much out there. It was one of the coolest things. The coolest thing I've ever done. So really hard for me. The whole day is smiling. I mean, just got a smile on his face the entire time.

SPIETH SOT - Just real positive outlook on life and kind of cool to see his family out here as well. And I wish all the best, man. I had a great time out there. I can't thank you enough for everything.

FRANK NATS - All of us are blessed to be out here. Lucky guy. So I got to smile about that and go. Go about everything. With a smile on my face.

**A7 OPENING ROUNDS PT 2**

ANNC - He's got it. Boy, is it fun to watch? It's always an adventure.

**SPIETH’S FRIDAY 67 MOVES HIM INTO POSITION, ONE SHOT OFF THE LEAD.**

SPIETH SOT - Coming into the weekend. It's a good opportunity to just have a lot of trust focused on trying to win this golf tournament.

ANNC - The veteran at the top Adam Scott looking to get back to the tour championship eight under to take the lead by one. The best players in the game are on this leaderboard and it's going to be an exciting weekend for the star power.

**B1 THIRD ROUND PT 1**

ANNC - Wilmington Country Club on a sunny, warm day in Delaware. This is the third round of the BMW championship.

RYAN LAVNER SOT - What we're seeing over these past two days and what we certainly anticipate over the weekend is increasingly firm conditions. You're seeing an increased importance on putting the ball in the fairway because the greens are getting very dry, very firm. They're starting to run out even with a couple of wide shots in there. So players who are finding the rough, even in the first cut, they're having some difficulty controlling the ball.

**MOVING DAY SEES ITS UPS AND DOWNS…**

ANNC - The Greens are crunchy now and he can only laugh it off.

**BUT SOME ARE ABLE TO CAPITALIZE AND VAULT UP THE LEADERBOARD.**

ANNC - Collin Morikawa got a long bunker shot here. Back left hole location. Look at this. That shot is so difficult. Amazing.

**B2 MORIKAWA ZURICH**

MORIKAWA NATS - Ball in hand to recreate the 2020 Tour championship. Famous plugged lie. I'm pretty sure the ball was as plugged as it gets, so we'll just add a little little weight to that. That's that's close enough.

ANNC - Buried lie at the first. And then just watch what happens. Well, this is virtually impossible. And David, he said he thinks it's the most difficult bunker shot he's ever seen. Hold. And I might have to agree.

MORIKAWA NATS - The biggest thing with like a plugged bunker shot is getting a base, getting a stance. Right. But you also don't want to use too much bounce like a wedge has a lot of bounce. And normally we open shots. You open it up to get high. But when you're an applied bunker and you're not to lie, the ball's in or straight up. So I pretty much didn't open the club base really at all. How to square face. I was on such an uphill lie that I knew I could turn my body really far right, and I knew the ball would come out left because that's all I wanted to do. I just wanted to plop it out, land it there, have the downhill run all the way down to the hole and hopefully really get it within ten feet. Let's try and recreate this shot. I'm going to aim my body really far. Right. Have my face pretty neutral and swing very, very hard. Oh, my God. I mean, that almost won the whole.

ANNC - That's as good as a half. Tell you what? He could teach me a thing or two that shot with the ball that far above his feet. It was hip high.

**B3 THIRD ROUND PT 2**

ANNC - Well, Collin Morikawa just matched the low round of the day, a 65. And so now he is an even more solid position projected into the 13th spot.

MORIKAWA SOT - The name of the game tomorrow for me is going to stay present. And if I can do that, you know, hopefully give myself a good shot at winning this tournament.

ANNC - We have never had back to back FedEx Cup winners, and that is exactly what Patrick Cantlay is trying to do, hot start for Cantlay, three birdies in his first seven holes.

**WITH A STAR-STUDDED LEADERBOARD CHASING, CANTLAY KEEPS THE PEDAL DOWN ON THE BACK NINE.**

**CANTLAY SOT -** The best way to handle this playoff system is to just focus on doing your best in the tournament that you're in and not worry too much about the points. And so that's what I'm going to do.

ANNC - Beautiful stroke right in the middle for cantlay. Six birdies. A dramatic hole out for Eagle at the 14th, trying to become the first player in the playoffs to successfully defend a title. And he has been doing the job at another BMW.

**B4 SERVPRO**

**THE CUT PRESENTS, SAVING SHOTS**

ANNC - Max Homa with a huge weekend here. Read this like a putt should go down the hill and to his left. Pretty good. Beautiful touched by Max Homa

ANNC - and it finds its home at the last for a birdie. Big time bunker shot here for the co-leader. Green working away from him over here. But that will nicely that that was fantastic.

ANNC - Kisner from the bunker. Bunker left at one. Oh, I just love that. You see, the quick hinge of the wrist there flicks their club face through the sand. A lot of elevation from short range.

**C1 REJOIN**

**C2 FINAL ROUND**

ANNC - It's Sunday at the BMW championship, and that means it's the final push to make it to East lake for a chance at the FedEx Cup. Wilmington Country Club going to be a pressure packed test.

CANTLAY SOT - I think I'm very competitive and I always have been. It definitely grinds my gears if I don't win and I'll do everything I possibly can to to win.

**WITH TOP-TIER NAMES ON THE LEADERBOARD, PATRICK CANTLAY ENDS UP WITH AN UNEXPECTED CHALLENGER EMERGING FROM THE PACK.**

ANNC - This for the solo lead. Wow. Just beautiful pace playing for your season and a lot more. Just getting in that top 30 means the world to these guys.

ANNC - This is a great look here from above the hole downhill. I like that. It'll get there. Just feed it right now to just feed it. And Adam Scott with an eagle not only gets back inside the bubble, but he's back in the hunt here.

SCOTT SOT - So that's the beauty of the FedEx playoffs the way they are. You can scratch it around a lot for the year and have a couple of weeks and get heavily rewarded by getting to.

**SCOTT IS ONE OF FOUR TO PLAY THEIR WAY INTO ATLANTA, ALONGSIDE K.H. LEE, AARON WISE, AND SCOTT STALLINGS, WHO BATTLES CANTLAY DOWN THE STRETCH.**

STALLINGS SOT - It's like. It did what exactly we thought it was going to do. It just did it behind the hall. I was thrilled with the way I put myself in position. I had a lot of good birdie looks coming in and a lot of really good shots coming down the stretch in a situation that I really hadn't been in to this level in a long time and was thrilled with the way I kind of handled it all.

ANNC - He's got it. Patrick Cantlay takes advantage of the opportunity in front of him, and he'll go to 18 with a one shot lead.

CANTLAY SOT - I've been playing great golf all year, so I knew that if I just kept knocking on the door and kept staying in a positive frame of mind and trust in myself, that I'd knock off a few victories.

ANNC - Well, I think that's going to do it. Birdie or not, par gets it done. And a tap in for four and Cantley is the first one to win back to back playoff events in the 16 year history of the FedEx Cup playoffs.

CANTLAY SOT - The thing that you can control in golf, you can't always control what other people around you do or where you get the right bounce or the wrong bounce. But putting yourself in contention time after time after time, you know, the bounces are going to go your way and you'll get your fresh air wins.

**C3 SENTRY WITH THE WIN**

**CANTLAY’S 8TH CAREER TITLE IS THE SECOND OF HIS SEASON, ADDING TO HIS ACCOMPLISHMENTS THAT INCLUDE QUALIFYING FOR THE SENTRY TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS IN MAUI.**

**C4 FEDEXCUP STANDINGS**

**IT MOVES CANTLAY UP TO SECOND IN THE FEDEXCUP STANDINGS, WHILE SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER’S TIE FOR THIRD MOVED HIM TO THE COVETED TOP SPOT HEADING INTO EAST LAKE.**

**D1 MICH ULTRA**

PAQUETTE NATS - Hey, guys. I'm Renee Paquette here at the BMW Championship in Wilmington, Delaware. And today, I'm going to be throwing down with Kevin Kisner at the 19th hole presented by Michelob Ultra. Well, this is where you get to, like, relax, you know, kick your feet off, let your hair down, have a nice, cool beer that suit you.

KISNER NATS - And 19th all is my favorite hole in the golf course. As soon as I get done with 18, I'm looking for that one.

PAQUETTE NATS - Cheers. Z's 19th hole, baby. Okay, so let's run through what we've got here. We've got our lobster roll. We've got the Maine style. Connecticut style. I did Google that before just to make sure another one's male and one is like drawn butter. Okay. Do you have a preference from butter? We've got our balsamic soy brussel sprouts. We've got our crab cakes and broccoli, steamed shrimp cocktail, our clam bucket. Not to be confused with the Marcel bucket, not the same thing. Let's just have a little bit.

KISNER NATS - Okay. Is this the butter one? That one's butter. Can I go? Yeah. Go. Have it. Have at it. Exceptional. I'm not a hater on that.

PAQUETTE NATS - So typically on like a two hour week, what does your schedule look like? What does your eating look like? Are you staying pretty healthy?

KISNER NATS - I'll try to. Yeah, but I mean, I'm not going to go out of my way if somebody is going to offer John butter and mayo lobster roll. On the healthy side. Yeah.

PAQUETTE NATS - What are you doing to kind of stay this slim trim machine that you are?

KISNER NATS - So I walk about seven miles a day. That's highly helpful. I just do the quick math at a golf course of 7000 yards. Okay. Between that and the walks and greens and tees, I just go so that gets the job done. That's that's good walk. I tell you they do an incredible job of offering healthy options at the golf courses every week. But the tours and the and the host organizations do a great job. But we splurge a little bit at night.

PAQUETTE NATS - Obviously, you're out here enjoying yourself. Why is it so important for you to to keep the fun in golf?

KISNER NATS - Well, that's why we started, right? We started because it's a game and it was fun for us. So just because you got to the top level doesn't mean you need to lose sight of it. It's a very humbling game and it beat you up a lot. So if you lose sight of that, it's supposed to be fun and it is a game you're going to struggle out here. So. So it's an easy way to forget about the negative and stay positive.

PAQUETTE NATS - Yeah, that's a good memory. Yeah, we're big fans. Best of luck to you this weekend. Thank you. Go out there and crush it. I hope so. Yes.

**D2 FAN DUEL**

GDULA NATS - Here are some favorites and sleepers to target for the tour championship at FanDuel. Sportsbook Scottie Scheffler is the heavy favorite for this week, given his ten under starting score. But we have seen the past two FedEx Cup leaders entering the tour championship go on to win. Scheffler has a very consistent scoring dispersion that suggests he can hold onto this lead over the rest of the field. Xander Schauffele probably has the best Eastlake form since 2019, with three top five results and the best gross score in 2020. His power and accuracy combination is unmatched on tour and show off. A six under starting score puts him well within striking distance since the revamped Tour championship finale. Rory McIlroy is the only golfer to come from behind to win, and when he started five under back in 2019, McIlroy has great course history at Eastlake and led the BMW Championship in strokes 90 to Green. He just didn't have the putter going. We can expect that to bounce back this week. Some other options to consider at longer odds and for top tens include Sam Burns, Joaquin Niemann and Viktor Hovland. Best of luck this week for the tour championship.

**D3 TV TIMES**

**AT THE END OF THE WEEK, ONE MAN WILL HOIST THE FEDEXCUP IN ATLANTA, AND THE BMW CHAMPION STARTS THAT CHASE TWO SHOTS BEHIND LEADING MAN SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER.**

**D4 ROLL OUT**

ANNC - “What a couple of first leg it’s been in the Playoffs, Cantlay is the BMW King again!”

CANTLAY PRESSER – The thing I always remind myself of when I finish second or I'm close is Jack Nicklaus had more seconds in majors than he had wins, you're not going to close the deal every time. You have to be cognizant of that going in, and once you accept that that's a reality, I think it makes it a lot easier to play as free as possible coming down the stretch.

ANNC – “Cantlay zooming up there into the second spot, Scheffler will start at 10-under.”

CANTLAY PRESSER – I remember last year just trying to stay really in the moment, day after day I'll be two behind this year, just trying to shoot under par each day and not losing sight of that. I'll definitely draw on those memories from last year and try and stay as focused and in the moment as possible.