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01;00;09;17 - 01;00;13;25

NICKLAUS,JACK

Okay. Sit back and enjoy.

01;00;18;03 - 01;00;28;21

Speaker 2

Jack Nicklaus, the architect and visionary behind this course dedicated to his hometown of Columbus, Ohio. You know.

01;00;29;03 - 01;00;37;24

NICKLAUS,JACK

I had a lot of accomplishments in the game of golf, and I think there's any greater this one Muirfield Village.

01;00;37;29 - 01;00;39;07

Speaker 2

The house that Jack built.

01;00;40;07 - 01;00;46;09

NICKLAUS,JACK

I'll give you one quick story. And leaves a legacy that lasts long beyond my golf game and my lifetime.

01;00;47;00 - 01;00;50;15

Speaker 3

Oh, what a great.

01;00;52;16 - 01;00;55;08

Speaker 3

He's the champion. That's.

01;00;57;07 - 01;01;00;22

NICKLAUS,JACK

I'd had a blast there. I love it.

01;01;03;16 - 01;01;13;09

NICKLAUS,JACK

Oh, you've got a great shot. A lot of great memories. Yeah, I heard 14.

01;01;14;21 - 01;01;19;26

Speaker 2

That was one of the most incredible golf shots I think you'll ever see.

01;01;22;12 - 01;01;23;07

Speaker 2

There you go.

01;01;24;17 - 01;01;29;13

NICKLAUS,JACK

That's Rose Stricker. Tiger got a pretty good resume. We're selling.

01;01;33;08 - 01;01;37;26

Speaker 3

Look at that. What a round.

01;01;37;26 - 01;01;46;02

Speaker 2

Victor Hovland is the champion Jack Nicklaus prized tournament title.

01;01;46;11 - 01;02;14;10

Speaker 4

The memorial ten years ago, 1966. On this piece of land, we start thinking about a new golf tournament, something that we could do for the game of golf. Well, here we are in 1976 and the first Memorial Tournament.

01;02;16;24 - 01;02;36;02

NICKLAUS,JACK

And before Muirfield and the Memorial Tournament. I wanted to be the best tournament that I can be in the game of golf. I don't think I would ever want to host a tournament that I wouldn't play in myself. Columbus has given me so much. They've supported me through my whole career. Let's bring golf back to central Ohio.

01;02;36;06 - 01;02;46;13

Speaker 4

We had three objectives in mind and holding the first memorial tournament, first for the game of golf, if at all possible, by building a good golf course, not only for the golfer, but for the spectator.

01;02;49;10 - 01;03;12;08

NICKLAUS,JACK

Trying to take and utilize what I thought was right for the game of golf and what it was really challenge the player that is esthetically pleasing and put that combination together. And I had the opportunity at the Airfield Village to be able to do all those things and continue to tweak the golf course slightly. And I think the golf course right now is really good.

01;03;12;26 - 01;03;17;17

NICKLAUS,JACK

I think players feel that way and I hope they enjoy playing it. It is such a hurdle.

01;03;17;17 - 01;03;36;13

Speaker 5

To win it in Jack's house and win on the golf course. That is so challenging. Dad, first and foremost, wanted to bring the best players in golf to his hometown and to have them perform on the best canvas, the best golf course that he could present.

01;03;38;10 - 01;03;55;29

NICKLAUS,JACK

The Memorial Tournament is very special to me. I think it's very special to a lot of players and I think to the fellows who have won the tournament, have gone on to win a lot of other golf tournaments, a lot of majors, and we're very proud of that, too. The list of winners of Memorial Tournament are really the best players in the game of golf.

01;03;57;20 - 01;04;03;01

NICKLAUS,JACK

That was probably the most difficult tournament that I've ever won.

01;04;07;19 - 01;04;34;21

NICKLAUS,JACK

Well, back in 1977, I was 37 years old. I was really concentrate more on putting on a golf tournaments than playing in a golf tournament. I really wanted to win the Memorial Tournament. I'd worked very hard to bring it about. I also wanted to be able to have my name listed winners a birdie for possession of the league.

01;04;35;21 - 01;04;58;00

NICKLAUS,JACK

How about that? Played a part of did everything that week I was managing what was going on, directing people. Angelo Caddy for me. I filled up his pockets with cigaret butts and papers and think, Oh, he has a degree trying to keep the golf course played. People were asking me questions as I was playing. How do you want to handle this?

01;04;58;00 - 01;05;10;02

NICKLAUS,JACK

A number of 12. What do you think about the gallery coming in over? What do you think I'm doing that I'm playing golf? Frankly, I enjoyed that. But it was probably the most difficult week I've ever had to win a golf tournament in my life.

01;05;10;27 - 01;05;13;28

Speaker 2

I don't know how he plays as well as he does with all of the distractions.

01;05;15;05 - 01;05;21;15

NICKLAUS,JACK

I didn't win in the first year. The second year I played well and I got myself in a position to win and won.

01;05;22;27 - 01;05;29;29

Speaker 2

With the rain came high winds and crackling lightning. The golfers most fearsome enemy.

01;05;29;29 - 01;05;34;00

NICKLAUS,JACK

And we had a rain delay and we had to come back the next morning to finish.

01;05;35;24 - 01;05;38;15

Speaker 2

Nicklaus Birdie at 11, put him three shots ahead.

01;05;39;13 - 01;05;59;09

NICKLAUS,JACK

I had to play a three iron into the last green, and I do remember that. And the pin was the back left. I carried it in right behind the hole. But because of rain the day before, the greens were soft and stopped right there tied to putted for the win. You know, I was very proud that I was able to overcome one of the things I had to do, but to concentrate enough on playing golf.

01;05;59;17 - 01;06;39;17

NICKLAUS,JACK

And after a while, certainly a huge thrill. I had a lot of accomplishments in the game of golf and I think is any greater than this one. And nothing gave me a bigger thrill. Was running a golf tournament and trying to play in it and ended up winning. I mean, that was it was pretty special. Oh, no, what a great bunker shot.

01;06;39;27 - 01;06;42;12

NICKLAUS,JACK

You try that shot sometimes. That is a tough shot.

01;06;42;29 - 01;06;46;01

Speaker 2

Oh, yeah. Look at this show. Look at this. And I go in.

01;06;46;11 - 01;06;51;22

NICKLAUS,JACK

That's one of the best shots out of the circumstance that I've ever seen in the game.

01;06;54;26 - 01;07;17;12

NICKLAUS,JACK

This is my office, and I don't think it's used as an office very much. It's more or less sort of a memorabilia room in the house. Walk through the room here a little bit and went over to the major championship trophies. Here I have the Congressional Gold Medal, Presidential Medal of Freedom, the Lincoln Medal, and the Order of the Rising Sun from Japan.

01;07;17;24 - 01;07;42;15

NICKLAUS,JACK

There's a Ryder Cup was played it at Muirfield. It was a gift from my teammates on a rare memorial Truman 2000 US plaque I received there. These are my my tennis trophies that Goldberg kept from the dollar store, pictures of Masters in 86. And my mother and my sister came. They had been there since 1959. And this was kind of an interesting one.

01;07;43;00 - 01;08;05;22

NICKLAUS,JACK

There was a young man who came back from Iraq. He had four tours in Iraq, John scenario and John brought this flag back. He was obviously a golf fan and he presented that tribute for 4 to 4 flew over his base at Iraq, which I feel I feel very sentimental about that one over here, Presidents Cups, some nice pictures over here where I first met Ali.

01;08;06;16 - 01;08;31;21

NICKLAUS,JACK

This is kind of an interesting this is 1999 Sports Illustrated's Athlete of the Century Banquet. I think if you look at that, you're going to find some pretty good athletes in there. That picture on carried by for my four boys. I don't know where my daughter is in that picture, but she's not in it. We got 24 grandkids and seven great grandkids and our five children, we got a big family.

01;08;32;19 - 01;08;43;28

NICKLAUS,JACK

We're very blessed. That's to say the least. Hello, I'm Jack Nicklaus, and welcome to the 1984 Memorial Tournament. We hope you enjoy the show.

01;08;44;22 - 01;08;54;05

Speaker 2

17 where we go right now, Jack Nicklaus, the host, went, Oh, my God, I'm with you that way. Right way. Right.

01;08;54;05 - 01;08;58;00

NICKLAUS,JACK

Then I remembered I ended up getting bogey after getting out of bounds at 17.

01;08;58;14 - 01;09;04;08

Speaker 2

That hit the cart path and bounced over the property fence and it's in someone's patio and.

01;09;04;27 - 01;09;16;03

NICKLAUS,JACK

The wind was blowing hard left to right. And I hit a driver that I hit in the neck and got a little bit and the wind got it and just went right over went over the mountains and rolled right out of bounds, up onto a patio. And I said, Oh, my gosh.

01;09;16;26 - 01;09;22;12

Speaker 2

It's almost hard to imagine Nicklaus hitting a shot that far off line and most uncharacteristic swing.

01;09;23;05 - 01;09;24;04

NICKLAUS,JACK

I played another ball.

01;09;25;10 - 01;09;35;02

Speaker 2

It isn't all over for Jack Nicklaus. If he can make this pop for a five and having designed the green, he knows exactly its characteristics. This really is the moment of truth.

01;09;36;23 - 01;09;47;23

Speaker 3

Good has a chance. Oh, right. This is like an angel. Jack Nicklaus.

01;09;47;23 - 01;09;58;10

Speaker 2

The credit goes to Nicklaus for that bogey that he made at 17. And to show you that after a disastrous tee shot to come back, gather yourself and one shot, one hole to play, he's still not there.

01;09;59;16 - 01;10;00;19

NICKLAUS,JACK

And I part aging.

01;10;02;03 - 01;10;11;12

Speaker 3

And he's going to make and he been winning he wants to win I'm going to give him anything and.

01;10;11;12 - 01;10;13;28

NICKLAUS,JACK

He bogeyed the last also I got to play off the.

01;10;13;28 - 01;10;16;15

Speaker 2

Par 5/15 was hard with birdies the par.

01;10;16;15 - 01;10;17;10

NICKLAUS,JACK

3/16.

01;10;17;10 - 01;10;46;06

Speaker 2

And with pars it ended on 17 swing. He put on that one straight down the middle and the hole that was so rude to Nicklaus the first time around today became the doormat for his celebration just for the half and her way to the 18th.

01;10;46;06 - 01;10;51;17

Speaker 3

No, never gave it a chance. He just pulled him. Didn't even catch the hole.

01;10;52;21 - 01;10;58;07

NICKLAUS,JACK

And they missed the short back. Wow. So I felt sorry for anybody there.

01;10;58;29 - 01;11;08;22

Speaker 3

Well, the sad ending and the players, you look exhausted. I am, Steve. And, you know, I.

01;11;08;22 - 01;11;29;14

NICKLAUS,JACK

Don't like to win a tournament by somebody else's messes, but I got this going to take him any way I can get him the one, Muirfield, maybe four. Before I won the Masters in 86, which was my last regular to victory, was pretty special to have my last Raider tour without a major being at Muirfield Village. It's always nice to be able to play in front of a home crowd crowd.

01;11;29;28 - 01;11;39;16

NICKLAUS,JACK

And obviously to win is is even more fun. 93 is Azinger the left bunker.

01;11;45;11 - 01;11;55;00

Speaker 2

Paul Azinger and Payne Stewart the last two some of the day this huge gallery here at 80 they know the importance they.

01;11;55;00 - 01;12;05;05

NICKLAUS,JACK

Had feimster coming down the wire and Payne was leading by a shot coming to the 18th hole. And Azinger put it in the bunker.

01;12;05;05 - 01;12;11;17

Speaker 6

I didn't catch a very good lie in the bunker and I figured, good grief, you know, don't make a bogey here. And there's a playoff.

01;12;12;11 - 01;12;14;03

NICKLAUS,JACK

And then paper in the bunker behind it.

01;12;14;21 - 01;12;19;18

Speaker 6

And I saw Payne tried to figure Payne could get it nearly as close as he did. He hit an unbelievable.

01;12;19;18 - 01;12;25;07

Speaker 2

Shot.

01;12;25;07 - 01;12;31;22

NICKLAUS,JACK

A pretty good bunker shot he played there. But even a better bunker shots not to come.

01;12;31;22 - 01;12;53;11

Speaker 6

All I was thinking about was what I had to do, not what I was afraid might happen. And it's kind of reminds me of Mr. Nicklaus and. Oh, yeah.

01;12;53;11 - 01;12;57;10

NICKLAUS,JACK

What a great bunker shot. Don't try that shot. Sometimes that is a tough shot.

01;12;58;01 - 01;13;10;07

Speaker 2

And now the heat is on. Payne Stewart, his friend Paul Azinger, has tied him now famous.

01;13;10;09 - 01;13;14;02

NICKLAUS,JACK

But two shots swing and set. Payne Winning Paul one.

01;13;15;01 - 01;13;18;12

Speaker 2

Paul Azinger wins the memorial.

01;13;20;16 - 01;13;24;01

Speaker 3

And immediately he has feelings for his friend Payne Stuart.

01;13;25;06 - 01;13;35;03

Speaker 6

Saying They're so close this I think it's good justification for not having any real close friends out here. I've never been so happy and so disappointed for somebody in my life. At the same time.

01;13;36;03 - 01;13;50;05

NICKLAUS,JACK

I think it's great to compete against a friend. That's where he had the most fun. If you look up at the leaderboard, you see Palmer player Swanson or Trevino, they're going to play well and you had to play well. To me, it made it more fun.

01;13;50;05 - 01;13;54;02

Speaker 6

It was a dog eat dog battle all day. It was just a heck of a match.

01;13;54;16 - 01;14;03;26

NICKLAUS,JACK

You come to the 18th hole and pain to get the bad break that he got. But Paul, to make the shot that he got, I mean, that's just something else that's just absolutely unbelievable.

01;14;03;26 - 01;14;10;20

Speaker 2

Golf and Paul Azinger with the look of a champion. Again. Don't ever quit.

01;14;11;15 - 01;14;12;12

NICKLAUS,JACK

I've got a great shot.

01;14;13;24 - 01;14;18;13

Speaker 2

One to be remembered. You know.

01;14;19;21 - 01;14;33;20

NICKLAUS,JACK

He landed the ball perfectly on the fringe. The ball softly ran down the slope and it just trickled into the hole. I don't think I've ever seen it better when that was the most unbelievable, gutsy shot I've ever seen. Brought a touch.

01;14;39;10 - 01;15;04;28

Speaker 2

From Jack who's coming down the hill to applaud him in person. Here it is to make it official, and Jack's there to greet him. This is about as special as it gets as well. Thanks for having us again. I'm happy for you. Thank you. Thank you. It's pretty cool. You know, you see all the winners kind of come off the green gets to shake.

01;15;04;28 - 01;15;30;01

Speaker 2

Jack Nicklaus saying, I feel like that's very special when you watch golf on TV growing up, it's something you always dream of doing. And it was really cool to do in person. You're like a real winner, right? I think I give Jack a hug after the handshake and I can tell that real honestly, I was trying. The much coveted handshake of congratulations from Jack Nicklaus.

01;15;31;13 - 01;15;50;19

Speaker 2

Wasn't pretty to finally win here. Great. Jack Nicklaus for that handshake coming off the 72nd hole on Sunday, especially with, you know, Mr. Nicklaus. I think a handshake would be appropriate, but it's like dancing. He'll take the lead and I'll just follow.

01;15;50;19 - 01;16;20;08

NICKLAUS,JACK

I know what this was. Yeah. I thought this was one of the greatest shots I've ever seen. Well, Tiger played Muirfield really well. He came back and won in Muirfield the last time. And I think he had 52 of 54 fairways that week for Tiger. Let's play some unbelievable shots of Barefoot. No way. Oh, my gosh. Falling pitches behind, 14 point pitch blind, 16 by one German.

01;16;20;09 - 01;16;24;13

NICKLAUS,JACK

More around here than anybody I know.

01;16;24;13 - 01;16;25;01

Speaker 2

16.

01;16;25;26 - 01;16;27;22

NICKLAUS,JACK

205 yards.

01;16;28;07 - 01;16;40;15

Speaker 2

They turn down win. 66 guys have played this hole ten guys have hit the green, ten it's downwind. And I can't wait to put the flag over there.

01;16;40;15 - 01;16;43;16

NICKLAUS,JACK

I was in the tower. I was commenting with fans.

01;16;44;18 - 01;17;01;02

Speaker 2

Jack Nicklaus was sitting right here. I had a chance to try to describe it and I had Jack watching it. Yeah, Tiger today is going for win number 73. And you've seen a lot of great chefs through the years of your tournament. That one's going to be on the short list.

01;17;01;02 - 01;17;14;28

NICKLAUS,JACK

That's a really tough shot to keep it out of the water to start with. He's got to just barely drop the ball up there on the on the green or on the fringe and just a trickle over the top of the ridge and see what happens, you know?

01;17;15;05 - 01;17;20;02

Speaker 3

Yeah, yeah. Look at this. Look at this. My goal here.

01;17;20;02 - 01;17;29;17

NICKLAUS,JACK

He landed the ball perfectly on the French ball softly, ran down the slope and just trickled out of the hole. And as it that was one of the.

01;17;29;17 - 01;17;29;26

Speaker 2

Most.

01;17;29;26 - 01;17;44;07

NICKLAUS,JACK

Incredible golf shots I think you'll ever see, I was one of the best shots on the circumstance that I've ever seen in the game. He needed a shot like that. That was a shot that propelled him to his win.

01;17;45;11 - 01;17;56;12

Speaker 2

When he pulled off these heroic feats, it was Jack to off camera. You don't see it. You're not even hearing. But yes, he was loving every minute of it. It's a touch of class.

01;17;57;06 - 01;18;36;07

NICKLAUS,JACK

Of course, when Muirfield, five times. We're proud to have Tiger win it five times. Yeah, he played it better than anybody else and he deserved it. I don't think I've ever seen it better when that was the most unbelievable, gutsy shot I've ever seen. But it's such I'm emotional, all the guys victory. I think for me to see anybody when that term and see how happy they are is emotional for me.

01;18;36;07 - 01;18;57;25

NICKLAUS,JACK

He's played pretty well around Muirfield Hotel and must have helped it. So no. Patrick came to me for the first year. He won and he said, Sure, I love playing virtually, but I don't know how to play it. So we sat down at lunch. He said, Can you help me out how to play the golf course? And Patrick would be happy to.

01;18;58;11 - 01;19;05;00

Speaker 2

Have, in his words, in my head, coming down the stretch and being able to close like that. It's a lot of good feelings.

01;19;05;00 - 01;19;28;24

NICKLAUS,JACK

I was a pretty serious guy and I sort of all of a sudden would stop, look around me, look at the gallery, sort of take a deep breath and say, boy, isn't this fun? This is why I'm here. And it would relax, man. Allow me to finish the round in comfort and under stress. I've talked to Patrick several times about that is it wouldn't hurt to flash a little bit of a smile or something ever was the welcome.

01;19;29;05 - 01;19;38;28

NICKLAUS,JACK

That's the first smile I think I've ever seen on his face. I I'm not a golfer. That's good. I like that. I could help him with that shot at that all in all by himself.

01;19;40;01 - 01;20;00;15

Speaker 2

For the closeness, the blessing, the way he views it, the friendship he has with Jack Nicklaus. This is about as special as it gets. You did it. I didn't hear you. Thanks for everything. But I think I have learned a lot.

01;20;02;09 - 01;20;24;29

NICKLAUS,JACK

From how I play the golf course. You went out and won and won it again. Cantlay is a student of the game and he he listened and he used what I told him. And I'm very flattered by that. I think pretty special to give a guy some some advice. And he uses it in Windsor Golf Tournament and it makes you feel pretty good.

01;20;24;29 - 01;20;29;16

NICKLAUS,JACK

Anything you do with your family is special. And Muirfield has been a family affair.

01;20;30;19 - 01;20;42;06

Speaker 7

He always was a visionary and he just wanted to give something back, which is what he always does. The memorial tournament from day one has supported Nationwide Children's Hospital.

01;20;42;06 - 01;20;59;02

Speaker 5

I've been chairman of the event for now over 20 years, and to be able to watch the Memorial Tournament grow is such an honor for me. It's a flag for me that I'm very privileged and honored to carry through my mom and dad and to have them still involved is very special.

01;20;59;28 - 01;21;06;04

NICKLAUS,JACK

It's fun, it's rewarding here. I'm 84 years old and I still love going out and doing that well.

01;21;06;24 - 01;21;12;20

Speaker 2

Some of the biggest names in the galaxy battling it out. One of golf's most prestigious prizes.

01;21;13;15 - 01;21;23;14

Speaker 5

These guys are the best players in the world. It's amazing how they seem to create magic every week, and I don't think this year will be any exception to that.

01;21;23;14 - 01;21;26;06

Speaker 2

Excitement, drama, big names at every turn.

01;21;26;27 - 01;21;32;29

Speaker 5

There are 73 major that have been accumulated from Memorial Tournament winners. I mean, that's an incredible number.

01;21;34;23 - 01;21;42;27

Speaker 2

Jack Nicklaus prized tournament title, the memorial where star power abounds.

01;21;42;27 - 01;22;13;10

NICKLAUS,JACK

I'm very proud of the memorial tournament, the way it's been supported from Columbus, Ohio and the whole golfing world. We're very happy with what's going on and we're looking forward to a great tournament again this year.

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