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[00:00:28] >> The PGA TOUR is proud to bring you the season-long race for the FedEx Cup. Now coverage of the 2024 Travelers Championship.

[00:00:37] >> From TPC River Highlands in Cromwell, Connecticut, it's live first round coverage of the Travelers Championship. Officially spring turns to summer at 4:50 p.m. Eastern Time, but it already feels like summer. Temperatures have soared into the 90s. Throw in some humidity and the real feel is north of 100 degrees. This is year 73 of the Travelers. Since 1984 TPC River Highlands has been the host venue and it is a beauty. Another peak dive gem that sits about 12 miles from downtown Harford.

[00:01:15] >> Akshay Bhatia plays wonderful golf early this morning, Frank. He had 240 into the power five, and this just a shade under 30 feet for his eagle.

[00:01:24] >> And it has not been a tremendous 2024 for Rickie Fowler, but today he played very nicely.

[00:01:31] >> He did; some midrange putts. He was one of the last on the putting green last night.

[00:01:37] >> Kurt Kitayama was the winner of Bay Hill a couple of seasons ago. Here he was and he is 2nd at 5.

[00:01:42] >> The longest par-3 here at TPC River Highlands.

[00:01:48] >> Man, how about Will Zalatoris, his 2nd at 15. Nice touch.

[00:01:52] >> He had the drivable par-4 is a long off the tee. And beautiful chip to get it onto that front tee. He will convert the birdie putt there with Zalatoris, another man with four other players at 6 under par. One of them, however, Tom Kim, is still on the golf course.

[00:02:13] >> Thirteen, Tom Kim tapping in for his birdie here. And that gets him a share of the lead; so some really good rounds being played here in this opening round.

[00:02:25] >> Back to 8th.

[00:02:25] >> Great look here for Cantlay.

[00:02:27] >> Underneath the whole breaking left to right.

[00:02:29] >> Yes, and gets it to go.

[00:02:33][ Applause ]

[00:02:37] >> To 7, Matthieu Pavon, the winner earlier this season at Torrey Pines.

[00:02:42] >> Another one of the humble last week. He's recovered well after a double bogey at the 2nd.

[00:02:49] >> Oh, and Matthieu.

[00:02:49] >> That helps.

[00:02:50] >> It does.

[00:02:52] >> Big summer ahead for Matthieu with the Olympic Games being in Paris, in his home country. That place ought to be rocking for he and Victor Perez when they get announced.

[00:03:02] >> The last two players to finish number 1 in the PGA TOUR University ranking. It really is an amazing initiative that allows players to succeed on the collegiate level, Frank, and then come right up here to the highest level in the game.

[00:03:16] >> Yes, but to be honest, I had my last year, and I thought, "Is it too much, too big a transition that what he's done in 12 months is just simply incredible."

[00:03:26] >> He was at Texas Tech last June.

[00:03:28] >> Yes; professional 12 months ago. He's been on the Ryder Cup team, he's been involved in major championships. Now he's won a PGA TOUR event for the first time. It's an amazing story.

[00:03:52] >> Collin now in.

[00:03:54] >> These guys will talk about a shot, there is no doubt about it. He wants to see a very clear picture. This is a 9er in downhill 159. Place down about three wind off of right.

[00:04:04] >> Good pin for him. But he may have overdone it. No.

[00:04:09] >> Might need to bounce left. There we go.

[00:04:11] >> Yes, it got it. It needed to hang on just a hair, but now it's a very good lead.

[00:04:17] >> Morikawa makes birdie and moves to one-under. Just hitting it beautifully right now, Colt, finding another fairway, hasn't missed the green yet today. He's had a wedge in his hands from 157 down off the right. He can hit this.

[00:04:30] >> See if he holds it off just a little bit.

[00:04:37] >> Looks really good.

[00:04:38] >> It is. That will be an easy three for Tony Finau.

[00:04:46] >> Finau moves to 3-under.

[00:04:48] >> The Australian, Cam Davis, moving along nicely for birdie at 12. Okay.

[00:04:59] >> Playing alongside Tom Kim today is the Canadian Corey Conners for birdie at 16.

[00:05:04] >> Couple downhill bobs here.

[00:05:08] >> Looks like it's short, doesn't it?

[00:05:10] >> Green is going to take it all the way.

[00:05:15] >> Oh, Canada.

[00:05:17] >> Hovland for birdie at 11.

[00:05:19] >> Back up the hill. Tough to read, though, this one.

[00:05:26] >> Yes, he got it right. He poured it right in after missing at 10 from short range. That's a good birdie there at 11.

[00:05:35] >> Rockville, Maryland's own Denny McCarthy.

[00:05:45] >> Just got to get it on the putting surface, Steve, because he can putt.

[00:05:48] >> Yes, but he always talks about how we don't talk enough about this irons, and there you go. That's why he always says, "Hey, you know, I know you guys like to talk about my putting, but how about all the work I put in with this part of my game?"

[00:06:03] >> Tom Kim has a good look, and a chance to take the outright lead. And does. Just a well played hole. Drove it in the fairway, wedged it in there fairly close, and another birdie for him. Not a bogey on the card today. That is a phenomenal round of golf.

[00:06:31] >> This is back at that par-5 13, Tommy Fleetwood giving it a go.

[00:06:44] >> Oh, this is a beauty.

[00:06:47] >> That would be an eagle for Fleetwood.

[00:06:51] >> Xander Schauffele trying to make birdie and bounce back after the bogey at 10.

[00:07:07] >> To 18, Tom Kim, for that 62.

[00:07:10] >> Hanging just outside the left. Oh, such a good putt. What a finish, birdie/birdie for Tom Kim. And he's leading by two now. Bogey 3 on the day.

[00:07:36] >> This is Tony Finau for birdie at 13.

[00:07:41] >> This should be moving right to left the whole way, Colt. Hadn't missed the green today. Oh, he's got the putter working, too. Look at that confident looking Tony Finau after that good play at the US Open.

[00:07:57] >> Watch out if this putter heats up.

[00:07:58] >> Boy, no kidding, he is striking it so well.

[00:08:02] >> Ludvig Aberg and his birdie putt. Gets it to go. Aberg is now 3-under.

[00:08:20] >> Cam Davis right behind us here at 18, going to close out his first round in style.

[00:08:28] >> He only plays well on the hotter times of the year as well. Rocket Mortgage next week. He's played well there.

[00:08:35] >> Outstanding.

[00:08:35] >> Champ there; represented the international team at Quail Hollow and the Presidents Cup. Let's find out if Morikawa learned anything, literally the identical line. Yes, with that birdie Morikawa fires a 66. Tom Kim gets an early birthday gift with an 8-under 62, and holds a two-shot lead. Round two is next.

[00:09:15] >> And it is another hot, humid day in Connecticut. Hopefully the weather holds and play continues uninterrupted. The scoring has been crazy low, and it doesn't look like that's going to stop anytime soon. The course is receptive thanks to a heat dome that has taken over the Northeast. The temperature is again in the mid 90s.

[00:09:36] >> Let's show you some highlights from earlier today. Tom was just off to a fast start. Here he was at the second.

[00:09:45] >> And nice putt, too, settled over the bright.

[00:09:49] >> Those greens when he played this morning in that burning footprints on it, magnificent.

[00:09:54] >> That was his first birdie of the day. He would add a birdie at 6, and then at 8 his third birdie.

[00:09:59] >> Yes, birdie to par-3 two days in a row.

[00:10:03] >> How about at the 9th for back to back birdies and a 31? Okay.

[00:10:10] >> Tom Kim was well on his way then at the 10th, riding all that momentum from the late stages of the first 9. And here he is at his second attempt.

[00:10:20] >> Just an excellent shot. He only missed three greens in regulation through the first two days. It was by virtue too a good drive, and got himself in position so many times.

[00:10:31] >> He would make that birdie putt for his fifth birdie of the day. That was his last birdie en route to that 65.

[00:10:39] >> As we go out to the action at the 12, Hideki Matsuyama for birdie, Frank.

[00:10:44] >> Pushed the flag in the back here today, Steve. Still no problem for these players.

[00:10:58] >> Ten.

[00:11:00] >> Justin Thomas to try to get it to 6 under par. Been an up and down here for him. Played really well at the PGA; top ten there. There you go, good read, perfect speed. Nice clean card going here in round two.

[00:11:24] >> Let's go back to 12 and Max Homa trying to do what Scottie could not do here.

[00:11:29] >> Had a nice bounce back after a really odd three putt on 10. Birdie at the 11th and another great opportunity here right up the hill, but kind of coming up and over a little bit of a knob where this flag is located.

[00:11:45] >> Hit a 6 here yesterday. Trying for a 3 today. Yes, it's really well played. Three strokes better today. Right behind us here at the 18th, second shot up coming for one of the best ball strikers on the PGA TOUR, Tom Hoge.

[00:12:09] >> It's down breeze. Got to take it across the corner of the bunker, and that protects this flag.

[00:12:16] >> Hottest man on the golf course right now, with just one hole to play and that will be a good look for another birdie.

[00:12:25] >> Back at the par 3 11th, Shane Lowry has this for three birdies in a row. Ooh.

[00:12:44] >> Tom Hoge for a 62, matching Robert Macintyre, and he does for the day's best.

[00:12:55] >> Back at the 13th, Hideki Matsuyama from underneath the hole for birdie. There you go. Had to lay it up, but still made birdie. To 12.

[00:13:10] >> Justin Thomas after that wonderful 2nd from the rough.

[00:13:13] >> That downhill hooking putt, Steve.

[00:13:26] >> Ooh, did he, yes he did. We saw that 22 in green in the FedEx point standings. A year ago he didn't make the playoffs.

[00:13:35] >> It got very close. He nearly chipped in on the final hole at the window. Remember that?

[00:13:39] >> Yes.

[00:13:39] >> How amazing was that moment; so close.

[00:13:43] >> Back at 13, Scheffler for birdie. Gets it done. One of the great moments ever in the history of this tournament, this guy right here, that hole in that bunker, second ball, just incredible stuff. And his third shot now at 13.

[00:14:18] >> There you go, Colt.

[00:14:18] >> Yes, that's better, huh? This is well ahead at 17, Mackenzie Hughes has a short birdie putt here. It's a little downhill. And gets it to go. Front hole location today at 17, brings that water more in play. Back here at 13, Jordan Spieth for birdie.

[00:14:47] >> Just a little right to left.

[00:14:53] >> Gets it to go; didn't look at the hole.

[00:15:02] >> Up ahead on the green. Scheffler. Yes, you see, from call when you're stocking your birdie, all on your birthday.

[00:15:20] >> There's your birthday present.

[00:15:22] >> Scottie Scheffler back to back birds.

[00:15:26] >> Putting better again already, Frank.

[00:15:28] >> It's a crazy game sometimes.

[00:15:30] >> Isn't it? This is at 13, Justin Thomas just missed the green with his second shot; so this is for eagle from off the green. Yes. That's an eagle three for Justin Thomas. Back in his old putter. Remember at Memorial he switched to a more of a blade style putter, but getting some good results out of the old favorite. Now back here at 13 can Shane Lowry do the same thing as Justin Thomas. Yes, he can. How about that pairing him? They've got some momentum. Shane Lowry.

[00:16:33][ Cheering ] Scheffler now for his birdie. And just continues just plodding along making birdies. That's three in a row. Up to 10-under. He's three shots back, three holes to play here in round two.

[00:16:57] >> Back here at the 15th Justin Thomas second shot. Lot of spin on that ball. He's not going to be happy with that one. Just you could see from that angle from behind him that you've got up to the green, then the swale, then up again to the hole location. Up shot.

[00:17:21] >> Now one of the worst sounds in golf is when the horn blows and the players are getting taken off the golf course. The weather just a little bit too much right now, Frank. It has been surrounding the area all day, but it lasted until just after 4:10 p.m. Eastern. And there's the radar. We've been looking at that all day.

[00:17:44] >> Yes, so the red is the problem once these storms end the lightning there, and it's not just the players, get the fans off the golf course as well.

[00:17:56] >> Frank, you mentioned earlier -- I think at the top of the show that they had moved tee times up an hour. Remember, it's a truncated field this week because it's a signature event, so they had the ability -- normally on Thursday and Friday you could not do that with 156 players, but you can do that in this field. They moved them up an hour and they were just about an hour away from finishing.

[00:18:15] >> Yes, they did really like a good -- first tee-up time I think was 7:05. Some can go, you know, that much earlier than that. But it was a good decision. And also you can see why they had to lift the green in place because, you know, if we get a torrential downpour they can still can get out there quicker.

[00:18:31] >> And you have to make it equitable for the field as well.

[00:18:33] >> Yes.

[00:18:33] >> The guys who played in the morning before this stuff comes would be at a huge advantage over the guys in the afternoon if the weather does come in like this.

[00:18:51] >> After a rainy round two, Tom Kim maintains his two-shot lead, but world number 1, Scottie Scheffler is within striking distance. Round three is next.

[00:19:08] >> Our leaderboard is magnificent. The courses have just premium shape for this gathering of the best, this signature event, the Travelers Championship with all of its history, all of its thrilling moments, and I'm sure another one is on the way when you look at that leaderboard. We do have warm and humid weather with the possibility of a thunderstorm this afternoon. Same forecast for tomorrow. It's summertime; what else would you expect? Earlier today with Cameron Young. This was a first -- the first hole.

[00:19:44] >> Always nice to get started with a birdie. And that was an easier putt back up the hill. Just a massive tee shot here at the uphill par-4, so just a little pitch for his second tapped in birdie. So here we go, bird, bird, stop.

[00:20:02] >> Yes. This is where things get really interesting.

[00:20:08] >> One forty two.

[00:20:13] >> In the cup; for an eagle at 4.

[00:20:16] >> This is from 20 feet. Could he beat 5-under for the first four?

[00:20:25] >> Downhill. You're not going to short that putt. Then at 8.

[00:20:32] >> Hole location in the back left here, swooping the draw in. Birdie.

[00:20:39] >> I mean look at the precision.

[00:20:44] >> Yes.

[00:20:48] >> Then the 9.

[00:20:51] >> Makes this for 28.

[00:20:52] >> He didn't think he made it. He was talking to Amanda. When this went in, they actually had the first time a thought of 59.

[00:20:59] >> From outside the 30 feet; what a front side.

[00:21:03] >> Fifteen he went with the iron at the par 4. Just love this hole, such a fun mix. You see here what an elegant shot it was and it led to an eagle.

[00:21:16] >> Yes. And you add that to the birdie that he picked up at the par-5 13th. So now 10-under on the day.

[00:21:25] >> There is the eagle putt that drops. Missed a close range eight-footer at 16; and then at 17. So he needs one more birdie over the last two holes.

[00:21:35] >> And this is from 162, another left hole location.

[00:21:49] >> And then at 18 for the par for the 59.

[00:21:52] >> He had to get up and down from about five yards short of the 18th green, and he pulled it off. Wasn't a great third shot --

[00:22:01] >> No, it wasn't.

[00:22:02] >> But the putt was pure and clutched.

[00:22:05] >> And the atmosphere was awesome. Word had spread, bunch of fans had gotten down to the 18th green, and he rolled dead right in the heart.

[00:22:12] >> There's the official card, the history in Hartford, the 59, that's not even the course record. So thanks to -- 58 here, eight years ago. But nonetheless, look at the card. You know, it's amazing, you shoot 59, you hit only six of 14 fairways.

[00:22:28] >> Yes, I mean I guess a couple of them are just on the fringes or getting good lies in the rough. Iron play was super solid, and then lights out putting.

[00:22:40] >> As players warm up after a rain delay, let's look at the early round three highlights.

[00:22:47] >> Scottie Scheffler at the 2nd hole ringing the bell. And then at 5, his second putt from outside 20 feet that drops early.

[00:23:08] >> Xander Schauffele. He was on the uptick early.

[00:23:16] >> That from 73; beautiful spin control there.

[00:23:22] >> At the 3rd.

[00:23:25] >> Yes, gets this ball to draw in there to that left hole location. Distance control was on the money early.

[00:23:35] >> Then at 6; for birdie. Bingo. Here's Morikawa at the 1st.

[00:23:57] >> And this is the club right here that really has been trending upward for him. Speed control, confidence in the stroke. In the top 15 in that step this week.

[00:24:10] >> Two clutch birdie at 6 for Collin and then here's what Akshay has done. That was at the 4th.

[00:24:27] >> This is pretty right here, 231 yards, hole location cut over that bunker. Hits it in there to 7 feet.

[00:24:36] >> Two thirty-one.

[00:24:37] >> Yes.

[00:24:38] >> That I'll believe that he is playing under par today.

[00:24:41] >> This is a stock shot for him right here, this wonderful little shot at the 6th. Going to do another birdie; three in a row. Meanwhile, Kim.

[00:24:56] >> That was huge because he bogeyed the fourth, which actually was his first bogey of the week.

[00:25:02] >> Looking for eagle at 6th. Okay. So going to do a two-putt birdie at the zone. Pretty much takes you through those top contenders. And Scottie Scheffler opts to get back out there see where the final two pairings reside when play picks up here in just a minute or two. Meanwhile, 8.

[00:25:36] >> And just from just on the other side, this to tie the lead for Scottie. And he too center cut.

[00:25:45][ Cheering ]

[00:25:55] >> It's Tom Kim. Golf ball implant and it spins less.

[00:26:09] >> Beautifully played.

[00:26:17] >> Now 9.

[00:26:17] >> After that approach spun way back, this for birdie.

[00:26:22] >> Schauffele at the hill, the first six feet of this, and then he flattens out.

[00:26:27] >> Ties the lead if it goes. Oh, yes, circle the cup. And just inside 9 feet, Dottie.

[00:26:39] >> Just going to see how good a student; Tom Kim is almost the identical line.

[00:26:58] >> Bhatia at the 11th for birdie and the co-lead.

[00:27:11] >> Whoa. Doesn't get much better than that, Colt.

[00:27:21] >> Back to the 11th tee. Tom.

[00:27:27] >> Been working really hard on simplifying his setup; getting a little more efficient.

[00:27:40] >> Good job, Tommy. Now up to the green. Kim moves to 16-under.

[00:28:02] >> Now, a second shot for Scheffler.

[00:28:04] >> Going with that bulky 3-iron with the graphite shaft. Kind of launched it way up in the air, Frank.

[00:28:14] >> Scheffler with two putts for birdie from there.

[00:28:21] >> Yes, just one back at the moment; 127 firing straight at it.

[00:28:28] >> Well, that little flatted gap was promising.

[00:28:34] >> Yes, indeed, promising mark.

[00:28:38] >> Schauffele moves to 16-under.

[00:28:40] >> Morikawa now playing his 3rd at 13.

[00:28:44] >> Well, 52 yards is awkward to begin with; I would see bringing this in a little lower. And it is low; needs to bite.

[00:28:54] >> Or it did all of that. He's now at 15-under. Now a shade under 50 feet for Tom Kim.

[00:29:12] >> This one will have some speed to it. Going to go left and then straighten itself out a little bit around the hole. Outstanding speed, Frank.

[00:29:26] >> At 15 now.

[00:29:28] >> And Schauffele for birdie. Get back into a tie for the lead. Look at that putt.

[00:29:49] >> Schauffele for yet another two today. He's already made two of them.

[00:29:54] >> That's a good look up the hill moving to his left. And there's another one, Frank, three 2s with some good power 3s out here.

[00:30:08] >> Fifteen, Tom Kim playing his 2nd.

[00:30:17] >> Well done.

[00:30:17] >> Wasn't it nice?

[00:30:18] >> He would make birdie.

[00:30:24] >> I would say long is not too good, either.

[00:30:26] >> Yes, we saw that with Tony.

[00:30:36] >> This one on a great line if it's enough. It's enough.

[00:30:46] >> Here's Akshay.

[00:30:48] >> Much more aggressive tee shot; just 156.

[00:30:54] >> Got a 9-iron, also on a great line. Wow, how about those two shots?

[00:30:58] >> That's two birdies out of this star-studded group.

[00:31:11] >> Perfect line.

[00:31:13] >> Noteworthy that Khan has missed his last two fairways, but this went perfect like 8-iron.

[00:31:18] >> Perfect indeed for Collin Morikawa.

[00:31:21] >> Morikawa is back to 15-under. It's for par. Wow, Trevor, you are all over it; limited sunlight to be able to read it and it's his first bogey of the day. At 18, Scottie.

[00:31:46] >> Also pitching wedge 133.

[00:31:49] >> Stall one in here.

[00:31:53] >> Trevor, guess where this one's going.

[00:31:54] >> Right at it.

[00:31:55] >> Right at it.

[00:31:55] >> Turn, turn; one inch.

[00:32:07] >> Since that bogey at 14, he has been on fire.

[00:32:11] >> I think he's approached that in the 17 and 18. It's been target practice.

[00:32:15] >> Yes. This is going to be a great view right here. So this will guarantee final grouping, right?

[00:32:29] >> You got to see what Akshay does.

[00:32:31] >> Okay.

[00:32:31] >> Akshay.

[00:32:37] >> And it's been pretty dark out here, guys. John -- going to hold the flagstick.

[00:32:41] >> I like it.

[00:32:43] >> Should move to his left.

[00:32:47] >> Might be dark, but they're still making birdies.

[00:32:50] >> Why not, Jim?

[00:32:58] >> There you go, there's your group. You're right, it's going to be Kim, Scheffler, and Akshay.

[00:33:03] >> Yes.

[00:33:09] >> Back to the 18th green with Tom Kim.

[00:33:19] >> Want to run it out. It's a wonderful shot.

[00:33:22] >> Mmm, sure is. That was beautiful technique.

[00:33:31] >> Shouldn't be all that much in the way of break. Just keep that speed going.

[00:33:38] >> This for 66.

[00:33:46] >> Wonderful.

[00:33:46] >> That was clutch.

[00:33:55] >> He's in with a par.

[00:34:03] >> He's thankful to be in.

[00:34:07] >> Yes.

[00:34:08] >> They congratulate one another, and one replies, "It's always great to be out with you."

[00:34:19] >> Tom Kim's lead shrinks as world number 1 Scottie Scheffler birdies four straight to close out his round. Who will prevail at the Travelers? The final round is next.

[00:34:32] >> Time ticks by. In this game of ebbs and flows, it remains resolute. With no regard for failure, success, pressure mounds, momentum swings, and opportunities are running out. The time to earn a spot to finish this race is now.

[00:34:54] >> Next on the tee, please welcome --

[00:35:07] >> A leaderboard not to be believed at TPC River Highlands in Cromwell, Connecticut. The race is on for the title here. And we're going to get right to the action because it's fast and furious. We're at the 10.

[00:35:26] >> And the man that had led since day 1 after an opening round of 62 is all of a sudden back tied with the world number 1, Scottie Scheffler.

[00:35:34] >> Now back at 10 for tee. A superb second shot. Dottie Pepper with this group.

[00:35:45] >> Now, this was set up by a beautiful drive down the right-hand side; set the angle and got it to pay off, Frank.

[00:35:55] >> Now we move to Cantlay's 2nd shot at 14.

[00:35:58] >> Got to watch that front right piece; it could spin off there if you're not careful.

[00:36:03] >> He would make birdie.

[00:36:07] >> To 16, Tom Hoge outside 30 feet. It's got a little bit of speed and left movement to it.

[00:36:13] >> Looks pretty good; really good.

[00:36:14] >> He'll remain one back; at 15.

[00:36:18] >> Here's Cantlay.

[00:36:21] >> I feel like you've got to pick one up here; this just inside of 8 feet.

[00:36:33] >> This for the lead alone.

[00:36:35] >> Well, that was pushed.

[00:36:38] >> He's missed a couple shorties here on this 2nd 9.

[00:36:45] >> Back to 12, Kim. Akshay is on the same line that the move is going. It will follow him in, no doubt; so par for Tom.

[00:37:04] >> Teeing it down, though.

[00:37:05] >> I like that. Little bit of a fairway finder, but he's got an extra gear. We know how long he can hit it; and how straight he can hit it.

[00:37:23] >> Lower tee, level flight, and it's fine. So all they all three passed the test.

[00:37:30] >> We've had a five-way tie now for a while. No one's broken free from it. It's almost six-way tie. Five are tied, final round, Travelers Championship.

[00:37:49] >> Forward to 15.

[00:37:50] >> And Tony Finau has to do something here at 15 with three of his other co-leaders still on that par-5, a scoring opportunity.

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[00:38:04] >> Finau moves to 20-under.

[00:38:11] >> He stuffed it here on Thursday in the opening round with 3-wood; same club.

[00:38:20] >> I think he likes us all; got it straight at 4-under. Look at that. Birdie a step up.

[00:38:38] >> We've got a horserace here, Frank.

[00:38:39] >> Certainly have. It's tough to pick a winner right now. Now a chance for 3 for Tom Kim.

[00:38:45] >> Can't find a slower putt on this green, I don't believe; especially the last 3rd.

[00:39:01] >> This is a giant opportunity, too, with his putt for eagle.

[00:39:09] >> Misread. They would make birdies at 13. And now we move ahead to Scheffler in the fairway at 14.

[00:39:23] >> Scottie's didn't get as far down as Tom's. Dottie?

[00:39:26] >> Not by 5 yards; and Scottie with 82 to the front.

[00:39:31] >> Typically on this hole, the 2nd half doesn't really any wind.

[00:39:35] >> Right.

[00:39:35] >> Yes, right now I don't feel anything now, so --

[00:39:39] >> Yes. Oh, yes.

[00:39:40] >> Okay.

[00:39:40] >> We're all good.

[00:39:42] >> Always remember that Ted Scott had some great success here with his previous employer, Bubba Watson. That always helps. Scottie gives him a lot of credibility for those courses and wins that he's had here in Augusta.

[00:39:56] >> Well, I think laying pretty limp, but you can feel it up here.

[00:40:02] >> With spin he would make birdie.

[00:40:12] >> Now, I'd say that it's a match made for Tony.

[00:40:14] >> Can't get too frisky, though, downhill.

[00:40:17] >> It's got to go, Mark. It's got to go in. Oh.

[00:40:28] >> Now, we've got Kim putting for eagle. He's chasing now Scheffler. Kim's been the leader after each of the first three days.

[00:40:45] >> The wind is really blowing.

[00:40:47] >> Hmm.

[00:40:48] >> Really exposed coming across the lake.

[00:40:50] >> And you wonder how that's going to affect the first half; because the first half is supposed to go a little left going up the hill.

[00:40:57] >> It should -- it's strong enough, Trevor, I think it takes maybe half of that breakout.

[00:41:13] >> And once it gets up there, it should start feeding the other way.

[00:41:17] >> Run it out. Boy, that was an accurate read, except for the speed.

[00:41:22] >> Hmm.

[00:41:23] >> So that will put him to 21-under.

[00:41:33] >> Scheffler for eagle at 15 Scheffler and Kim match birdie. He's at 15.

[00:41:48] >> The Scheffler presence is starting to be felt, though. He makes you feel like you can't make mistakes.

[00:42:00] >> The final threesome has reached 16.

[00:42:11] >> And it certainly has his attention.

[00:42:17] >> Oh, right over the top. His luck has changed. I mean, his beard has grown pretty quickly this week. He was clean shaven at the start of the week.

[00:42:36] >> I think that haircut he got last week is starting to grow in, too.

[00:42:41] >> Yes, I think he's glad that happened.

[00:42:43] >> Caught me off guard when I turned the TV on and saw that haircut he got.

[00:42:47] >> That's what happens when you don't pay for it.

[00:42:49] >> That is high and tight.

[00:42:50] >> It was like, "Man, don't forget the sunscreen." One more club for Tom Kim.

[00:42:56] >> Certainly missed one green in relation to this.

[00:43:00] >> Working really hard on the process, and doing his drills, and simplifying the setup, paying off. Certainly on a nice line, Frank.

[00:43:21] >> Little three-quarter swing.

[00:43:22] >> Oh, that was so good. He's young and he's tough.

[00:43:30] >> Now, up to the green.

[00:43:37] >> Everything around this hole wants to pull it to the left.

[00:43:47] >> One more roll. Just one more roll. And he just left that there wide open now.

[00:44:02] >> Kim for birdie at 16.

[00:44:18] >> Did he hit it?

[00:44:19] >> No.

[00:44:20] >> You've got to be kidding me.

[00:44:26] >> You kick yourself for that. Bhatia to remain at 19-under. Bhatia will drop one.

[00:44:48] >> Scheffler and Kim match pars at the 17th and we pick them up on 18th.

[00:44:52] >> I've always been mesmerized by the scene at the 18th. It's just a glorious sight. It's really stunning this amphitheater here.

[00:45:03] >> Yes; one of the best.

[00:45:06] >> And now key shot on the way.

[00:45:09] >> Gap wedge. One twenty-eight front, 147 total.

[00:45:19] >> Uh-oh, he tanked.

[00:45:22] >> Leaves a little room there.

[00:45:36] >> After a lot of encouragement from Paul Tesori, he does just what he asked; almost jarred it. After a fan incident on the 18th green, we move to Scheffler's birdie putt.

[00:46:13] >> Boy, that was close; the way he had the arm extended ready to raise it.

[00:46:24] >> Tom Kim to force a playoff with Scheffler.

[00:46:38] >> He knows it. He knew it all the way.

[00:46:45] >> I've seen it before out of him. He's not afraid of the moment.

[00:46:49][ Cheering ]

[00:46:55] >> That was loud and clear.

[00:46:56] >> Sure was.

[00:47:12] >> Because of the incident earlier, the grounds crew moved the whole location on 18 for the playoff. It's now 11 on and 5 from the right. We pick up the playoff in the fairway on 18.

[00:47:35] >> He was so precise at 13 for the 2nd shot, 14, tee shot at 15, tee shot at 16, 2nd shot 17.

[00:47:44] >> In the hole.

[00:47:46] >> Like to get it closer than 18 the first go-around. Is that any good? Hit right next to the hole. Well, what's he thinking now after Scheffler puts it in there about 12 feet?

[00:48:03] >> Well, I doubt he's, one, that surprised that Scottie hit it in there close. He knows what he's got to do. This is going to be a full rip at the lob wedge from 111.

[00:48:10] >> Yes. Wind is helping meet all of it.

[00:48:14] >> The wind did just die a little bit.

[00:48:15] >> And it will be spinning. This needs to hustle.

[00:48:23] >> Oh, no.

[00:48:30] >> Trevor, that wind completely died.

[00:48:32] >> And it looks like he's got a bad lie, too.

[00:48:34] >> Yes, that looks like it's plugged right there coming with a lob wedge all of that spin.

[00:48:48] >> Colt, what can he do with it?

[00:48:50] >> I mean, he just looked at Paul Tesori and said, "The only chance I have of stopping this is to hit -- for it to hit the hole."

[00:48:54] >> Yes, exactly. I mean, with -- the downwind definitely does not help. So this is going to take a lot of skill and a lot of luck.

[00:49:06] >> There it goes. He did all he could do. Now he's going to give Scottie the line on top of it, and so he'll have that long putt for 4.

[00:49:57] >> You've got to make it. You know Scottie's not three putting.

[00:50:07] >> Low the whole time. Two putts for the victory. He has a beat on it. Take a look at the last part of it. He won't take long. Ted Scott and Scottie Scheffler -- For win number six.

[00:50:56] >> It's good enough Scottie Scheffler comes out of the chaos in Connecticut with another tournament title.

[00:51:09] >> Ladies and gentlemen, how about a hand for Tom Kim. And with a winning score of 22-under 258, his sixth PGA in one year, the 2024 Travelers Championship winner, Scottie Scheffler.

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[00:51:49] >> In the sixth month of the year, he's got a sixth victory. And you saw him flash a smile because he saw just this, Meredith and Bennett making their way down to the green.

[00:52:01] >> This is Bennett's second win.

[00:52:03] >> Yes, he's --

[00:52:03] >> Memorial, too.

[00:52:04] >> That's right.

[00:52:13] >> Scottie Scheffler, the only player with multiple wins in signature events this season; and the first since Arnold Palmer to have six wins before the month of July on the PGA TOUR. This concludes the PGA TOUR's coverage of the Travelers Championship from TPC River Highlands in Cromwell, Connecticut.