**24CUTOLYM INTERNATIONAL MASTER SCRIPT**

**Cold Open - Olympics**

ANNC: The Olympics, they're finally here.

CT PAN: That's the biggest event for my country and for myself also.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: Wearing the flag is something that very few people get to experience. I think it'll be extra special doing it on the Olympic stage. It's also good bragging rights for people when they tell me golfs not a sport. I can say, it's an Olympic sport so that's always fun.

LUDVIG ABERG: I've watched the Olympic games since I was a little kid, and ever since 2016 it's something that I wanted to do.

SHANE LOWRY: I know what a medal would mean to me and my family and Ireland.

BYEONG HUN AN: It means, probably the most for me because of my parents. They won a medal in the Olympics. I don't want to be the only one who hasn't won a medal in my family.

WYNDHAM CLARK: You're representing your country at such a bigger level. This probably ranks as the coolest team I've ever made for sure.

**The CUT titles**

**VO: WELCOME TO PGA TOUR THE CUT.**

**Olympic Recap**

**VO: AT THE PARIS 2024 OLYMPIC GAMES, THE WORLD'S BEST GOLFERS FACED OFF AT LE GOLF NATIONAL FOR A SPOT ON THE PODIUM.**

**VO: HIDEKI MATSUYAMA FIRED A FINAL ROUND 65 TO CAPTURE A BRONZE MEDAL FOR JAPAN, WHILE GREAT BRITAIN'S TOMMY FLEETWOOD SHOT 66 ON SUNDAY TO TAKE HOME THE SILVER.**

**VO: BUT IT WAS WORLD NUMBER ONE SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER WHO CONTINUED HIS DOMINANCE WITH A FINAL ROUND 62 TO COME FROM BEHIND AND WIN A GOLD MEDAL FOR THE UNITED STATES.**

**VO: SCHEFFLER NOW TURNS HIS ATTENTION TO CHECKING OFF ANOTHER CAREER MILESTONE, WINNING HIS FIRST FEDEXCUP TITLE.**

**Scottie Scheffler feature**

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER:I try to be as mentally tough as possible. And I feel like going out and competing has always been my best skill. When I'm focused on just competing, I think that's when I play my best. And so I think that will be my edge is when I get kind of immersed in the, in the joy of competition and going out there and playing and doing what I love is typically when I play my best golf.

ANNC: I mean, how you gonna beat him?

JUSTIN THOMAS: His golf game…it's just very right in front of you, fairway green, give himself a lot of birdie opportunities and just doesn't make many mistakes. If he makes a mistake, he’s proven that he’s likely to not make many more.

ANNC: You just gotta put it behind you. Scheffler is the best in the business at that kind of stuff.  He’ll miss one but by the time he’s ready to hit his next shot, he’s ready to go.

JUSTIN THOMAS: There is no part of his game that's bad. And there's a lot of part a lot of parts of it that are great. And then if you add that with a great mentality and attitude while he’s out there, you have no reason to get frustrated because I think he's proven that he’s just going to kind of overcome it.

ANNC: You never see Scottie Scheffler that upset where it affects the next shot.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: That’s something that I've developed over time. I was a bit too emotional on the golf course growing up. You know, I'd get pretty frustrated with myself, and it would definitely have an effect on my game.  And over time, maturing as a player and a person.

ANNC: Scottie Scheffler not feeling his best but gutting it through.

SCOTTIE SCHEFFLER: It's helped me kind of take the good and the bad on the golf course a little bit better. And just focus on the next shot.

ANNC: Unbelievable.

TONY FINAU: Scottie’s unbelievable. He’s doing things that are Tiger-esque. Anytime you’re doing something that you’re even mentioned in the same breath as Tiger, you’re on an incredible run.

ANNC: And Scottie Scheffler is the king of Bay Hill again, with one of the great performances we’ve ever seen here.

ANNC: Scottie Scheffler is the 50th PLAYERS champion, and the first to go back-to-back.

VIKTOR HOVLAND: He’s just played so consistently, and what he’s been able to do every single week is extremely impressive to watch.

ANNC: It’s been a good hole for him so far, couple of birdies to this point. Using that little breeze to nudge it in. Oh Scottie. How about that for an omen.

MATT FITZPATRICK: I think that’s what’s so impressive.

LUDVIG ABERG: That just speaks to such consistency that you don’t really see that much, so Scottie’s an unbelievable player, and he’s going to be a top player in the world for a very long time.

TONY FINAU: If he keeps this up for the next few years, he’s going to be the greatest player of our generation, there’s no question.

**Bump**

ANNC: If he makes this shot, he's in.

ANNC: Oh, come on now, you can't be serious. No way. An incredible effort to keep his season going.

JUSTIN THOMAS: I know that over a long career, you're going to have runs, you're going to have, you know, low points if you will and it's just about making those low points still pretty good years and making those runs unbelievable years. And I feel like I have a lot more unbelievable years in my career. So I just gotta keep doing what I'm doing and keep my head down and have that belief in myself.

**Justin Thomas feature**

ANNC: You now have to be inside the top 70 to qualify for the FedExCup playoffs. Justin Thomas is now 71st.

JUSTIN THOMAS: I'm putting so much pressure on myself to play well. If I just don't get it done for what I need to get done then it sucks and my year's over.

ANNC: Justin Thomas realizing the gravity of where he stands right now.

ANNC: If he makes this shot, he's in.

ANNC: Oh, come on now, you can't be serious. No way. An incredible effort to keep his season going.

JUSTIN THOMAS: It's just golf. It's a wild, wild sport.

ANNC: You can see what it means to him it right there by that reaction. For the last couple months, all the questions from the media and everybody else about his game. Just intense pressure.

**VO: AFTER FINISHING IN THE COMCAST BUSINESS TOUR TOP 10 IN THREE STRAIGHT YEARS, JUSTIN THOMAS' STREAK CAME TO AN END IN 2023.**

JUSTIN THOMAS: Wherever I'm at, it's going to be different throughout different points in my career and try to use any failure as a learning opportunity. In the long run, although the bad times are pretty low and they're not fun, they can end up getting you to even higher peaks.

ANNC: Yes, that's an eagle 3 for Justin Thomas. Back in his old putter. At Memorial he switched to more of a blade style putter but getting some good results out of the old favorite.

JUSTIN THOMAS: I'm working on the right things. I have in the time and effort, and continue to work at it to try to just get better and better and better.

ANNC: Beautiful putt for Justin Thomas. He's been putting in a ton of work with the flat stick. Good to see it starting to pay off.

JUSTIN THOMAS: The difference most weeks of the guy who wins and the person who finishes 20th or 25th sometimes is not crazy different. That's why it makes it so tough to win and win consistently because it's very deep.

JUSTIN THOMAS: I'm not trying to do anything that's outside of my norm. It's just continue to hone in on things I feel like I'm doing well and maybe tweaking some things that I can slightly improve, but, just get back to enjoying it and getting myself in contention.

ANNC: It's really fun to see Justin Thomas hit the ball well, putt much better. As a player who was used to being at the top and then really struggling last year. Just takes a while to build that confidence back up.

JUSTIN THOMAS: I'm playing plenty well enough to win, I know that, it's just a matter of getting it done. I mean, there's always going to be more gears or more that I want to do and feel like I can do, but, I just I know that over a long career, you're going to have runs, you're going to have, you know, low points if you will and it's just about making those low points still pretty good years and making those runs unbelievable years. And I feel like I have a lot more unbelievable years in my career. So I just gotta keep doing what I'm doing and keep my head down and have that belief in myself.

**FEC Standings**

**VO: JT ENTERS THE FINAL WEEK OF THE REGULAR SEASON AT 19TH IN THE FEDEXCUP STANDINGS, EYEING NOT ONLY A RETURN TO EAST LAKE THIS POSTSEASON, BUT ALSO A SPOT ON THIS YEAR'S UNITED STATES PRESIDENTS CUP TEAM.**

**JT and Keegan PCUP feature**

**VO: JUSTIN THOMAS AND KEEGAN BRADLEY SIT SQUARELY ON THE CAPTAINS PICK BUBBLE ONCE AGAIN AFTER AN ANXIOUS LEAD UP TO LAST YEAR'S RYDER CUP TEAM SELECTION.**

JUSTIN THOMAS: Any team event I always want to make it on points. I don't want to have to rely on a captain's pick. I had to do that once, and it's not fun. It's very stressful. If I do all the things that I should and know that I can, it should work out. But there's also a lot of really good American players.

KEEGAN BRADLEY: Not making the Ryder Cup last year was a huge bummer. It was a tough time for us. But then shortly after you got to put that away, and what's great about golf is you have the opportunity every week to do it yourself. When you miss out on a team like that, it you can use it as motivation to keep going.

**VO: BRADLEY RESPONDED TO THE DISAPPOINTMENT WITH ANOTHER STRONG SEASON, INCLUDING TWO RUNNER-UP FINISHES AT THE SONY OPEN IN HAWAII AND THE CHARLES SCHWAB CHALLENGE.**

ANNC: Oh did he do it, yes he did! Yes he did. How about it Keegan Bradley.

**VO: WHILE JUSTIN THOMAS REBOUNDED FROM A DOWN YEAR IN 2023 TO POST FIVE TOP 10 FINISHES THIS SEASON ON THE PGA TOUR.**

ANNC: He made the US Ryder Cup team last year without his best form, has certainly been playing better this year. You would imagine captain Jim Furyk for the United States Presidents Cup team would like to have Justin Thomas on that squad.

**VO: THOMAS HAS FEATURED IN EVERY U.S. TEAM SINCE 2017, BUT IT'S BEEN A DECADE-LONG DROUGHT FOR BRADLEY. WHILE THEIR RESUMES MAY DIFFER, EACH SHARE THE SAME PASSION FOR REPRESENTING THE FLAG.**

ANNC: How about that? Wow! He's just got a gift and a flair for the moment. He just thrives in this team competition.

ANNC: Keegan Bradley with as much intensity as you will see from anyone. Absolutely hearted. That was exciting, what a match.

KEEGAN BRADLEY: Those goals are very important to me. I want to be on these teams. I really feed off that energy of this generation. They're just such great guys and hopefully we can win in the Presidents Cup.

**VO: BOTH PLAYERS NOW AWAIT CAPTAIN JIM FURYK'S DECISION, BUT ANOTHER AVENUE TO MONTREAL IS OPEN FOR BRADLEY, WHO WAS RECENTLY NAMED TEAM USA ASSISTANT CAPTAIN FOR THE PRESIDENTS CUP.**

JIM FURYK: Surely when I'm at the Presidents Cup, whoever is the Ryder Cup captain in New York, I want them on my staff for the Presidents Cup because I want symmetry for the next year. I've learned from a lot of captains along the way and hopefully I can help some captains in the future as well.

KEEGAN BRADLEY: It's a great way to get to know your fellow players as well, be in the team room with them and be in the battle with them, and the nervousness and the excitement. And I just love that team atmosphere.

**VO: BOTH PLAYERS THOUGH, ARE STILL HUNGRY TO CONTRIBUTE ON THE COURSE TO ANOTHER POTENTIAL WIN FOR THE AMERICANS.**

KEEGAN BRADLEY: To play for Jim Furyk, a guy that I've played on multiple teams with and a guy that I respect a lot would be amazing.

JUSTIN THOMAS: Being able to put on the red, white and blue in general is a special thing. But doing it and getting to do what I love in terms of play golf doesn't get any better.

**Servpro - Rapid Recovery**

**VO: THE CUT PRESENTS RAPID RECOVERY.**

ANNC: This is a 9-iron from JT, 163 will carry the bunker, 169 to the hole here. Oh it's not going to stay, it's going to roll all the way to the rough. That divto helped a little, let's see where it ends up. He got lucky that divot saved him to be able to place this ball and it's going to make this shot so much easier.

ANNC: Drives it in low, going to have a lot of spin. Oh yes! How about that guys! Justin Thomas from off the green. That's why you drop it there Billy Ray.

ANNC: We're making a big deal about it. JT just goes and puts it in the hole.

**Rejoin**

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**Tom Kim Wyndham look-back mini**

ANNC: Final regular season event on the PGA TOUR is here. Wyndham Championship.

TOM KIM: That week I was very, very calm. I just got my card the week before and I was so happy that nothing could really phase me.

ANNC: Exciting talent here for sure.

TOM KIM: The start obviously wasn’t the best start.

ANNC: Started his round with an eight. Try and get back some of the early damage.

TOM KIM: For some reason I wasn’t flustered at all. There’s a few good holes coming that I can birdie and as long as I can take care of those I can shoot a good round today, make the cut and try to have a good finish. That was the only thing on my mind.

ANNC: Come on, oh wow! Really impressive fight back isn’t it? Yeah it is!

TOM KIM: I think on the back nine was the first time that I kinda woke up a little bit and said, “Ok, this thing is real.” I have nine more holes to win my first PGA TOUR event.

ANNC: How rock solid is this guy? He’s 20! Nobody’s told him it’s not supposed to be this easy.

ANNC: Tom Kim is the Champion at the Wyndham Championship!

TOM KIM: After Wyndham, I suddenly got into the playoffs and jumped really high in the rankings and had a chance to play TOUR Championship. Unfortunately I wasn’t able to make it. So that definitely made a big motivation factor for me to be able to play in the TOUR Championship this year.

**Koreans PCUP feature**

**VO: TOM KIM MAY HAVE MISSED OUT ON THE TOUR CHAMPIONSHIP IN 2022, BUT JUST WEEKS LATER HE MADE HIS INTERNATIONAL TEAM DEBUT IN THE PRESIDENTS CUP.**

TOM KIM: The Presidents Cup was the most nerve-wracking experience I've had on the golf course because it's a team environment, you're not just playing for yourself.

ANNC: Got it!

TOM KIM: It was a tremendous, tremendous experience.

ANNC: He wanted the big stage, he got it, and he delivered!

MIKE WEIR: Tom brings so much energy to our team. He's a big part of this team and can spur on some of the other Korean guys.

**VO: KIM WILL BE JOINED BY FELLOW KOREANS SUNGJAE IM – THE INTERNATIONAL'S TOP POINT SCORER IN 2019 – AND BEN AN, IM'S TEAMMATE IN 2019, RETURNING TO THE BLACK & GOLD FOR A SECOND TIME.**

ANNC: Big Putt! Captain Els liked that one!

BEN AN: This year has been very consistent for me. Try to work a little bit harder, try to take care of myself a little bit better. And everything's been paying off.

**VO: HOPING TO MAKE IT FOUR KOREANS ON THE TEAM IS THE INTERNATIONAL'S TOP POINT SCORER FROM 2022, SI WOO KIM.**

ANNC: To take a 1-up lead over Justin Thomas ... ohh! Wow! Yeah! First lead of the match for Kim. You ever see Si Woo Kim close to that kind of intensity? So stoic.

SI WOO KIM: When I was younger, always watching Ryder Cup and Presidents Cup; looks fun to me. I want to be like compete with the best golfers in the world.

ANNC: Tough little putt here ... if he can make this he'll go crazy.

SI WOO KIM: I know the first match is important, bring the one point. So that was the only focus.

ANNC: Yeah! What a putt!... That is all heart, all guts.

**VO: KIM SECURED THREE POINTS IN FOUR MATCHES IN 2022 AS HE EMERGED FROM HIS STANDARD STOIC PERSONALITY INTO A LIGHTNING ROD OF ENERGY FOR TEAM INTERNATIONAL.**

ANNC: This birdie putt would win the hole for the Internationals ... okay! Si Woo trying to fire everybody up.

SI WOO KIM: Most important thing to like get passion. So, I want to give my energy all the team players.

ANNC: How about that touch?... It's great to see the emotion come pouring out from a guy like Si Woo Kim.

SI WOO KIM: Really enjoy the last two Presidents Cup. Hopefully I can get in the team again and I can help the team and hopefully we can win this year.

**AWS - Dahmen**

JOEL DAHMEN: I will probably spend the most time on the range with a 7 iron. I will do a little bit more creative things with 7 iron as far as drawing it, fading it, hitting one high, hitting one low. See how far this goes, I'm guessing 75ish. We have a little breeze in. Little more breeze than I thought, that only flew 165. That one traveled to 170.

JOEL DAHMEN: Being a TOUR player having this technology, everyone's using it now, you have to have this data when you're out there. You can guess how far the ball's going, we can't guess when we're out there on the golf course. There's been many time pre-technology era that it takes a couple holes to actually figure out how far the ball is going, and you're giving up a couple holes at that point, potentially shots where we can kind of get out right from the jump and know what we're doing out there which is great.

ANNC: That's Joel Dahmen. May need to take a little bit off this driver. Oh look at this. Go in. That's a look for eagle for Joel Dahmen.

JOEL DAHMEN: If you have driver in your hand, you're pretty much going to hit it as hard as you can out there. So I'm going to make sure my speed is up when I'm hitting driver. I want to see these numbers of 110, 11, 12 clubhead speed.

JOEL DAHMEN: That's as fast as I've seen in a while. Pretty good for me. So that one was eight yards further than the previous one. And that one will play.

**TV Times**

**VO: JOEL DAHMEN TEES IT UP THIS WEEK AT THE WYNDHAM CHAMPIONSHIP, LOOKING TO MAKE ONE LAST PUSH TO THE FEDEXCUP PLAYOFFS LIKE LAST YEAR’S CHAMPION LUCAS GLOVER.**

**Lucas Glover feature**

NATS: What does the word resilient mean to you?

LUCAS GLOVER: Umm, hardnosed, never give up.

NATS: Do you think that describes you?

LUCAS GLOVER: I think so, yeah. Reap what you sow type thing. If you work at it, keep working at it and believe you're working on the right things, it'll pay off eventually.

LUCAS GLOVER: It'd been pretty lean for a couple of years as far as good finishes. I'd have good rounds, but yeah it was a struggle the first part of last year and even into the summer.

LUCAS GLOVER: People say, well, what are you working on this week? Nothing. Just same thing I was working on last week and just doing the same thing. Just not trying to overthink it. It was working, just keep doing what was working.

ANNC: That is 14 rounds in the 60s in his last 15 PGA TOUR rounds, so Lucas Glover has found his groove.

LUCAS GLOVER: Well, last year, more of a big change was the putter. That made a huge difference.

ANNC: The new putter has really changed things for Lucas Glover in the last month or so.

ANNC: I don't know if i can remember a player who turned a weakness into a strength but that's exactly what Lucas Glover has done with this putter switch.

LUCAS GLOVER: Working on what I believe to be the right stuff until it put itself on the golf course. Easier said than done, but when it when it does culminate into some good play or some good shots, then your confidence grows.

ANNC: Go ahead and make it, turn turn turn, that's what he does. The man from Greenville, is a winner in Greensboro.

LUCAS GLOVER: When it clicks on the course, that's the best feeling is all right, that's there.

ANNC: You gotta look at this ascension of Lucas Glover late in the year. He's had a 4th, a 6th, and of course the win last week at Greensboro. He was 182nd at one point. Start of last week he was only 112th, had to do something special to make it to the playoffs and that's what he did.

ANNC: There's no one playing better in the world than Lucas Glover.

LUCAS GLOVER: Stay the course. Still the same game just continue doing what you do well and just work on what you don't. I think that's probably good advice for everybody.

ANNC: You're looking at going back to back, two weeks in a row, and it can happen right here. And Lucas Glover goes back to back, including the opening leg of the FedExCup Playoffs. One for the old guys!

LUCAS GLOVER: Culmination of some hard work and actually just kind of being patient. Hard to do when you're struggling. I could kind of see to see it coming, it just started coming together. And when it happens like that, you just want to stay out of your own way and just keep going and was able to do that.

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