**24CUTSAND MASTER SCRIPT**

**Cold Open**

AVA CLARKE EDNEY: I'm excited. Maybe he can teach me because I don't know how to play golf.

LUKE LIST: Hello.

AVA CLARKE EDNEY: Hi.

LUKE LIST: Luke. How are you?

AVA CLARKE EDNEY: Ava.

LUKE LIST: Pleasure to meet you.

AVA CLARKE EDNEY: Nice to meet you.

LUKE LIST: You as well. Yeah. Nice to meet you.

AVA CLARKE EDNEY: I am freaking out.

LUKE LIST: Oh, it's all good.

AVA CLARKE EDNEY: One champion meeting a champion.

LUKE LIST: Well, come, come hang out with us for a couple holes.

**The CUT Titles**

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

**FLASHBACK LUKE LIST 5 MAN PLAYOFF WIN**

ANNC: A five-man playoff. Somebody is definitely going to be making birdie. If you plan on winning this tournament, you better wrap your head around making a putt.

ANNC: Ludvig Aberg will be the first to play. Never got it high enough. He’ll put a mark on that.

ANNC: Luke List was trying to get a read on that putt from Aberg. What did he learn from Aberg’s putt? Tracking. Oh.

LUKE LIST: I picked my line. Trusted the line. It was awesome to see it go in.

ANNC: Luke List with a big time putt for birdie. And now the pressure is on everyone else.

LUKE LIST: All of my emotion kind of came out after that putt.

ANNC: Ben Griffin now. Did he hit it hard enough? No.

ANNC: Scott Stallings next to play. And this one will stay out. So just one more player.

ANNC: Henrik Norlander to extend. No. The champion here in 2023 in a five-man playoff is Luke List.

ANNC: He's holding his son Harrison. Harrison was born prematurely. So they've got a very special relationship with children's hospitals.

ANNC: We know how tied the Sanderson Farms Championship is with the Children's Hospital of Mississippi.

LUKE LIST: For this tournament, to have a charity like that, it really brings home for me just having, you know, both our kids in the Children’s hospital of Georgia. That's why we play, you know, to give back. We're trying to give back as much as we can.

**AVA STORY**

SHALA EDNEY: Ava was born a little bit early. At birth, everything seemed fine, but we started to notice that Ava wasn't reacting and responding visually the way that our older son was. Here at Children's of Mississippi, they have helped us navigate the unknowns of albinism and Ava having low vision and being legally blind.

AVA CLARKE EDNEY: I am so inspired working with the hospital and being an ambassador for the hospital. I love telling my story and sharing with others what I've been through.

**AVA WITH LUKE LIST**

AVA CLARKE EDNEY: Oh my gosh.

LUKE LIST: A little left.

AVA CLARKE EDNEY: That was amazing. I have done a little research, so I know kind of a little bit about you. You went to Vanderbilt, right?

LUKE LIST: I did, yeah.

AVA CLARKE EDNEY: That's high on my list.

LUKE LIST: Oh, cool. That's awesome. Good for you.

AVA CLARKE EDNEY: Did you like it? What made you want to go there?

LUKE LIST: Yeah. Nashville's a cool town. It's much bigger now than when I was in school. So obviously a long time ago, but, Yeah, it's a really cool place as well. So what do you what are you interested in? What do you like to do?

AVA CLARKE EDNEY: I'm interested in sports media, ironically.

LUKE LIST: Awesome. That's great. That's really cool.

AVA CLARKE EDNEY: When I was born, I was diagnosed as being fully blind. But over time, my condition has gotten so much better. I have really sensitive skin. It's kind of called, like, being allergic to the sun, so I can't be outside for too long. But yeah, my condition has lots of different factors, but the hospital has helped me and my family the whole way through navigating it and figuring it out.

LUKE LIST: So do you pull for Ole Miss or Mississippi State? Either the two or not really?

AVA CLARKE EDNEY: I do. We’re Ole Miss fans.

LUKE LIST: Ole Miss, okay. There you go, that's cool.

AVA CLARKE EDNEY: But we do have family that are State fans. So.

LUKE LIST: So, a little bit of both?

AVA CLARKE EDNEY: We’re kind of split.

LUKE LIST: I like it.

SHALA EDNEY: We're always proud of her. She is just a very personable person, high achiever. There's nothing that she can't do. And I will say that I think that she would probably agree that a lot of that we give credit to our health care team, our supporters at the Children's Hospital. They have instilled so much confidence in her guiding us along the way, like I said.

AVA CLARKE EDNEY: Whoever has to carry this must be really strong because I don't think… Let’s see, oh, I can't pick it up. I can't even pick it up.

LUKE LIST: Yeah, it's pretty heavy, isn't it?

AVA CLARKE EDNEY: Yes. I can see how that's a job.

LUKE LIST: Yeah.

AVA CLARKE EDNEY: What keeps you focused. Like how do you get in the zone?

LUKE LIST: Well there's… For golf, it's funny because you're out here for five hours plus and like a lot of times you really only need to be like… I can have a conversation with you. And then when it's my turn to go, as long as I'm clicked in for that and then once you hit, obviously you can kind of unwind a little bit, have a conversation. You really don't need to be focused all the time. It's just that like 10 to 15 seconds while you're, you know, in the shot, so…

AVA CLARKE EDNEY: Wow. I'd probably hit it into the water like that was crazy to me. What, like, how do you have the strength? Well, to do that?

LUKE LIST: I've been doing it for a long time. So that's, Yeah, that's…That's all I can say is you do it. Do it long enough. You get, you get good at it. Hopefully.

LUKE LIST: All right, well you’ve got to come hit a putt up here. So that way you can say that way you can say you played golf. So you hold it. I’ll show you how you hold it.

AVA CLARKE EDNEY: Please.

LUKE LIST: So put this hand here you go in this hand down here and take a little step. So all you're trying to do is kind of like rock your arms a little bit.

AVA CLARKE EDNEY: Like that?

LUKE LIST: Yeah. Yeah, exactly. Nice.

AVA CLARKE EDNEY: Yay, I did something.

LUKE LIST: So that's awesome. Good job. It's hard. I know putting is the hardest part.

AVA CLARKE EDNEY: It's been really really cool meeting you.

LUKE LIST: Yeah. It's been so nice to meet you. Good luck with everything. I hope you to get into the school of your dreams. I know you're going to be successful. It's awesome.

AVA CLARKE EDNEY: Thank you so much.

LUKE LIST: Pleasure to meet you.

AVA CLARKE EDNEY: It was really nice to meet you.

LUKE LIST: Nice to meet you, too. Thanks.

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**VO: THE CUT PRESENTS RAPID RECOVERY**

**VO: IN THE FINAL ROUND IN JACKSON, LUKE LIST WAS THREE SHOTS OFF THE LEAD WHEN HE FOUND THE BUNKER ON THE PAR FIVE ELEVENTH, BUT STILL MANAGED TO INCH CLOSER TO LEADER BEN GRIFFIN EN ROUTE TO HIS VICTORY WITH A NICE RECOVERY.**

ANNC: This his third shot. He's still part of the mix. Oh, nearly got within one.

ANNC: Luke List to pay off that bunker shot to finish with a flurry of birdies. Catches enough of the cup. List is 17 under.

**PETER MALNATI MINI AND CONTENDERS**

PETER MALNATI We may have awarded our Fedex Cup trophy already. But there's guys out here this week and over these next 5 or 6 tournaments that are literally playing for their livelihoods, playing for their jobs. There's guys like me, a lot of us who are striving to take that next step forward, and these events carry a lot of weight. They are really important.

PETER MALNATI: This year, having won earlier and made it to Memphis for the FedEx St. Jude Championship, I have a different approach this Fall.

ANNC: If you're the AON Next 10, spots 51 through 60 at the end of the FedEx Cup Fall, you play your way into the first two West Coast signature events after the Sentry.

PETER MALNATI: The landscape of professional golf is becoming one that really rewards the top performers, and I dreamed of competing on the PGA TOUR at all. It still feels like a dream come true to be here, but being here, I want to be one of those top players, and the fall gives me an opportunity to play my way into a couple of those signature events, which that's where the top players are striving to play. That's where I want to play and the fall gives me that opportunity.

ANNC: Malnati, just the second winner here when they moved to the Country club of Jackson.

ANNC: Second place here in 2020, it feels like it's home.

PETER MALNATI: It feels in every way like a hometown event even though it's not my my hometown.

**VO: DESPITE A PROMISING OPENING ROUND, MALNATI SHOT A PLUS FOUR ON FRIDAY TO MISS THE CUT.**

**ENTERING THE TOURNAMENT AT NUMBER SEVENTY-TWO ON THE FEDEX CUP FALL LEADERBOARD, KEITH MITCHELL HAS HIS EYES SET ON MAKING IT TO THE FIRST 2 SIGNATURE EVENTS THROUGH THE AON NEXT TEN AS WELL.**

KEITH MITCHELL: Of all the Signature Events, those are probably my favorite recollect Riviera and Pebble Beach. //I really want to be back there.// Both of them have a special place in my heart.

KEITH MITCHELL: I think for me, playing to play my best and trying to win the golf tournament; the rest will take care of itself.

KEITH MITCHELL ANNC: - Right under 40 ft here…//This looks good really good. Keith Mitchell races one home from long distance and suddenly he’s back into the lead all by himself

**VO: MITCHELL HAD 7 BIRDIES SATURDAY ON A CLEAN SCORECARD TO CLAIM A ONE-SHOT LEAD OVER BEAU HOSSLER GOING INTO THE FINAL ROUND.**

KEITH MITCHELL: Tomorrow is a completely new day. It's Sunday. Last group. Been there before and failed a bunch. I'm hoping I can learn from those mistakes.

ANNC: Four feet, three inches and Keith couldn’t’ make it, so Keith Mitchell will not be in the playoff.

**WINNERS PIECE**

KEVIN YU: On Tuesday we pulled into the parking lot. My dad was driving and he saw a parking spot. I told him, that's for past champions. We can't park here. He was like oh, okay, okay. We can park here after this year.

ANNC: Kevin is from the Northwestern coast of Chinese Tai pei.His dad owned a driving range and was a golf instructor.

KEVIN YU: He taught me since I was five. He opened a driving range since I was very young. He been a coach and taught me how to play.

KEVIN YU: They came here from Taiwan with me this week, and they been working really hard as well trying to put me to college and go through my professional career, and just to have them out here, it's really special.

ANNC: Here he is with a birdie putt on the first playoff hole to win for the first time in his PGA TOUR career. And Kevin Yu becomes the third player from Chinese Tai pei to win on the PGA TOUR.

KEVIN YU: It means a lot for all the Taiwanese. I just show them that we can do it, we can do it by working really hard, have a clear mindset and dream big and we can do it.

ANNC: Dreams come true right there. What a massive day for Kevin Yu.

KEVIN YU: I’m still thinking this is crazy. I mean I have been dreaming this for a very long time. All my coaches, all my team, they do their job to help me get here today so I am really really happy.

**FEDEXCUP FALL STANDINGS GFX**

**VO: WITH THE WIN, KEVIN YU MOVES UP 36 SPOTS TO 60TH IN THE FEDEXCUP FALL STANDINGS WHILE PETER MALNATI FALLS TO 69TH.**

**VO: AND AFTER 2 EVENTS, PATTON KIZZIRE HAS THE LEAD IN THE BIRDIES FORE LOVE RACE.**

**BIRDIES 4 LOVE UPDATE - TONY FINAU**

ANNC: For the 3rd time in his last 7 PGA TOUR starts, Tony Finau is a winner!

**VO:  ALONG WITH HIS VICTORY IN HOUSTON, TONY FINAU EARNED THE BIRDIES FOR LOVE AWARD.**

ANNC: Taking a look at Tony Finau. What? Talk about a bonus!

TONY FINAU SOT: Obviously there’s a lot of good things happen when you play good golf for me. But, $50,000 to my charity of choice, which would be my Tony Finau Foundation, is amazing and very needed.

**VO:  WITH 22 BIRDIES OR BETTER AT THE 2022 TEXAS CHILDREN’S HOUSTON OPEN, BIRDIES FORE LOVE AWARDED TONY FINAU $50,000. WHICH HE APPLIED TO THE TONY FINAU FOUNDATION.**

TONY FINAU SOT: The purpose of our foundation is just to create an environment for kids that are less fortunate to hopefully have a place to take care of them. But really just give back to the community that I grew up in.

MADELEINE CLARK SOT: We don’t get donations like this very often and so to have the support of Tony Finau to donate these books, it’s going to change our program so much.

KARLY CHAVEZ SOT: Our family center is huge with connecting our families, helping them feel welcome. And supporting our parents to support our children. We feel fortunate that we have most of the school age refugee students in the state of Utah.

**VO:  THE TONY FINAU FOUNDATION AIMS TO EMPOWER YOUTH AND THEIR FAMILIES …THROUGH EDUCATION, WELLNESS AND RECREATION…IN HIS HOMETOWN OF SALT LAKE CITY.**

DORA RAMIREZ: In many ways, the centers change lives and change the school environment and also change the community.

TONY FINAU SOT: The two words that come to mind with my foundation and our mantra is "inspire someone." I like traveling the world and playing golf, and hopefully I inspire some of the younger generation to do some cool things not only in the game of golf but just in their life.

TONY FINAU SOT: It is very special. So, I’m very grateful for Birdies Fore Love.

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**MATT MCCARTY FEATURE**

ANNC: You. Oh, boy. This has got to go. Oh, no. The roller coaster of emotions. And that really derailed Matt's chance of getting his PGA TOUR card.

MATT MCCARTY: Everything happens for a reason. And the way it's all kind of worked out. It's been great. Everything's a learning experience. You kind of you just have to look at it that way. Consciously learned a lot, but really today tried to do the same thing. I didn't have any regrets. And just, you know, sometimes it's really hard to win golf tournaments.

MATT MCCARTY: There's 156 guys that are really good playing every week. It was nice to kind of put it together today, for sure.

MATT MCCARTY: Three weeks ago, I proved myself that I could finally win out here, and I think this week, just more so set that. I know that I'm ready to compete out there on the PGA tour. And this last month has kind of shown me that.

MC ANNC: Our champion, the 2024 Pinnacle Bank Championship winner, Matt McCarty.

ANNC: Well, if you you’ve paid attention to the Korn Ferry Tour the last month and a half, you've seen a lot of Matt McCarty, the 26 year old. He's playing flawless golf, trying to get an earlier flight to the PGA TOUR. Looking for win number three on the season. Oh, how good is this shot? How good is this man? Do it. Sure, Oh why not? Matt McCarty. Eagle at the tenth. The summer of Matt continues.

ANNC: For his third victory this season. And the best promotion in our sport. Matt McCarty, the 26 year old headed to the PGA TOUR.

MATT MCCARTY: All these wins kind of came in the last couple of months. So it all happened quickly. So like I wasn't, you know, necessarily expecting it, but to hold the trophy in Boise a nd then my card was pretty cool is definitely like a surreal moment.

COMMS ANNC: We'd like to welcome Matt McCarty into the Media Center. Matt, how does it feel to be making your first tour start this week at the Sanderson Farms Championship?

MATT MCCARTY: Yeah, I mean, it feels really good. I'm really excited for the week after the third win on the Korn Ferry. Just really excited to get out here and get going.

MATT MCCARTY NAT: Oops.

MATT MCCARTY: We played in 25, 26 events. This is our life basically being on the road, traveling. We're out here half the year. To be able to take it light off the course, have fun…

MATT MCCARTY NAT: Throw percentages out the window, dude. It’s just vibes. Whatever the Das wants me to hit, I'll hit it.

MATT MCCARTY: Like it helps my caddie Daus is like we're teammates in college, like good buddies.

MATT MCCARTY: I’ve wanted to be out here for my whole life. So the fact that I could sign up for a TOUR event that's tough to pass up, looking forward just to keep playing and keep it going and kind of a different challenge, too. It seemed like a dream for awhile and kind of at some point this season, it flipped to more of like a, you know, a genuine possibility.

MATT MCCARTY: I'm not really sure exactly what I'll get into this fall, kind of just play everything I get in, just getting experience.

MATT MCCARTY NAT: Nice, nice number.

MATT MCCARTY: We went to college together, so we played at Santa Clara, lived together for a couple of years. So I think making it like comfortable off the course. But then also we can kind of like give it to each other out here and nobody gets their feelings hurt as well.

MATT MCCARTY NAT: Oh, nice read Daus.

MATT MCCARTY: We've kind of grown a lot together of like learning through some ups and downs, which has been cool to see. It's more so like kind of keeping it light, you know, when things aren't going well. He tries not to let me get too upset.

DEV DAUS: Matt’s a pretty easygoing guy. Like he's not doesn't need a lot of information. He just needs a target and the wind so that helps a lot. Just being able to caddie for someone that doesn't need a lot.

MATT MCCARTY: I think it's cliché like I'm out here to win, but I'm also just out here to like, play well and just kind of learn from each day and just kind of have the experience. Having the opportunity to be here is such a cool experience and we'll still celebrate Sunday night as well, probably, hopefully and hopefully it'll be a little different this week.

MATT MCCARTY NAT: Oh.

**MATT MCCARTY UPDATE**

MATT KUCHAR NAT: Hi Matt, Nice to meet you. Matt Kuchar. Congrats to you. That’s awesome!

FIRST TEE ANNC: Next on the tee from Scottsdale, Arizona Matt McCarty.

ANNC: Here he is starting on the PGA TOUR instead of the Korn Ferry Tour Championship// not just 3 wins, 3 wins in 6 starts// How about this shot?

MATT MCCARTY: It was nice to go out there and play like I Had been playing. A little Different environment but golfs still golf. Hit a lot of fairways made it easy on myself out there.. Stayed in a good space and had fun and just enjoyed myself.

**VO: MATT MCCARTY MADE THE CUT AND FINISHED SUNDAY AT MINUS EIGHT IN HIS DEBUT AS A PGA TOUR MEMBER.**

**KORN FERRY TOUR CARD CEREMONY CONTENT**

**VO: TWENTY-NINE OTHER KORN FERRY TOUR GRADUATES RECEIVED THEIR PGA TOUR CARDS ON SUNDAY AND WILL JOIN MATT MCCARTY AS PGA TOUR MEMBERS IN TWENTY-TWENTY FIVE.**

**BLACK DESERT LOOKAHEAD**

ANNC We’ve got a new PGA TOUR event in the fall down in Southern Utah

PATRICK FISHBURN: I think the state of Utah is so excited. Everyone's just fired up to go down to this tournament. Black Desert. The course is going to be unbelievable.

ANNC: that’s going to look really cool on TV, the Black Desert Championship

PATRICK MANNING: We knew the land was very special. We called the PGA tour and let them know that we'd be very willing to have them come have a tournament here

JAY DON BLAKE: The public's going to love it. The PGA tour players are going to enjoy playing the golf course. Tom Weiskopf has done a great job.

PATRICK MANNING: We didn't have the PGA tour in mind at that time, actually. But luckily, Tom said, I want to make this very challenging for the golfer that wants to come here from all over the world.

PATRICK MANNING: The only thing we told Tom is that these 600 acres is a clean canvas for you to design a golf course the way you want it. The only thing we asked is that he planned to surgically put the fairways into the ancient lava beds, so that we destroy as little of it as possible.

ANNC: that golf course looks fantastic

PATRICK MANNING: This is the only spot in the whole United States that three major ecosystems converge. The Mojave Desert, the Colorado Plateau, and the Great Basin. That's why you get so many bursting colors and geography, flora and fauna.

PATRICK MANNING: They're going to see ancient lava beds, lava flows, they're going to see towering red cliffs, the emerald green fairways, the white bunkers, the Pine Valley Mountain is a black mountain behind the red cliffs. I don't think there's anywhere else in the world as colorful as Black Desert.

PATRICK FISHBURN: I've talked to so many people from up here that are going to make the four-hour drive down and support and people down there.

PATRICK MANNING: I'm most looking forward to just seeing the players realize how much thought we put into their experience, to have the fans see how much thought we put into their experience, and we always felt like we could accomplish both

JAY DONE BLAKE: There's no doubt that what's going to happen is going to be a great benefit for the community

PATRICK MANNING: Just watching the experiences and honestly learning so that we can get better every year as we progress, hopefully over the next 30 years.

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