



Adam Scott celebrates after winning the Genesis Invitational at Riviera

Pacific Palisades, California - It was all lined up, the two most aesthetic

swings in the world were finally playing in a final group on Sunday. World

No.1 Rory McIlroy, and the sweet swinging Aussie Adam Scott were all tied

at 10 under par with Matt Kuchar entering the final round of the Genesis

Invitational at famed Riviera.

Scott birdied two of his first three holes to take the solo lead, but a 3 putt

at the fourth had him in a tie once again with Rory at -11. It seemed as if

an epic duel on a classic layout was in store, but on the fifth things unraveled,

especially for the Ulsterman who made triple bogey. Then followed with

another dropped shot at the quirky par 3 sixth. Although Scott made

double himself at the fifth, he righted the ship and got one back with a

stellar 5 iron and a downhill roll into the cup. Six straight pars followed,

and a birdie at the thirteenth provided a slim one shot lead entering the

finishing stretch. A clutch birdie at the seventeenth provided the cushion

he needed to play the last tension free. The duel with McIlroy never quite

materialized, but the goal was accomplished, he finished off the best field

of the year. Scott finished at -11 and accepted the trophy from 15 time

major champion and tournament host Tiger Woods.

Adam cited inspiration from the Presidents Cup and his Aussie mates Marc

Leishman and Cameron Smith who have won in recent weeks on the PGA

Tour. Turning 40 this summer has also served as form of inspiration to get

going, "Everyone tells me I'm turning 40 this year, I don't know if they're

insinuating that's kind of the beginning of the end," Scott said. "There's no

doubt, the age of guys peaking is getting younger. There's far fewer dominant

players in their 40s today than there was before.

The tour moves on to the WGC Mexico Championship where several top players

are skipping the event, including: Tiger Woods, Brooks Koepka, Rickie Fowler,

Justin Rose, Jason Day, Patrick Cantlay and Henrik Stenson.

Kuchar, Kang and Brown finished tied for 2nd at -9. McIlroy finished tied for

5th with Matsuyama, DeChambeau, Homa and Joel Dahmen.

Scores:

<https://www.pgatour.com/competition/2020/genesis-invitational/leaderboard.html>

