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## 2005 Volvo XC90 V8 AWD ASR7

Vehicle Tested Information: Price: \$50,285.00; Engine: 4.4 liter V8; Transmission: 6 speed Automatic w/adaptive shift logic and winter mode

The Volvo XC90 V8 debut in March of 2005. XC90 was introduced in 2002 as the "Next Generation SUV." Yamaha, a company known for its marine engines reliability, built the V8 engine. This is the first V8 engine for Volvo in its history, founded in 1927, as well as the first launch of a petrol V8 meeting ULEV II (Ultra Low Emission Vehicle, Stage II).

The Volvo XC90 seats seven, with a roomy, versatile interior that boasts more cargo space than other vehicles in this class. The XC90 offers a comfortable ride and handles well on streets and highways. It offers most of the bells and whistles, and in base trim it's competitively priced. The V8 base price starts at \$43,395.

The V8 adds ventilated disc brakes instead of the solid rotors on the other models, self-leveling rear suspension, a third-row seat with air conditioning, rear

audio system with head phones and color-coordinated body trim. XC90 V8 combines the world's first all-wheel drive with instant traction, the package delivers enhanced grip on all surfaces.

The Volvo reinforces its position as one of the most successful SUV models; with the V8 they further broaden the customer base. It has a sporty yet sophisticated appearance. Volvo has yet to fall short on the safety for its passengers, with the XC90 V8 it was important the Volvo still have a transverse engine to help maintain the frontal crumple zone.



## SPORTS

# Woods' Incredible Finish

## Dedicates Masters win to his father

(AP) — Tiger Woods thrust a fist in the air, let out a scream and headed off to hug family and friends huddled around the 18th green at Augusta National.

Yes, order is restored in the world of golf. Woods is a major champion again, and No. 1 in the world, too, making Masters magic instead of swing changes, and back to chasing Jack Nicklaus' record.

But someone important was missing from this fourth Masters victory - the man who steered a toddler to set of a golf clubs, molded his swing, toyed with his mind, instilled a love for the game.

As Woods collected another green jacket, he couldn't help but think of his dad. And that's when Tiger, all grown up now, did something unusual Sunday.

He cried. "I want to dedicate this to my father," Woods said, his eyes filling with tears. "I could feel him out there with me on the course."

Earl Woods, who has suffered from cancer and heart problems, didn't feel well enough to leave his hotel room. But he surely was watching on television, and surely proud of what he saw.

After surging to the lead with seven straight birdies in the weather-delayed third round, and after finishing up on the dew-covered grass of morning, Woods pulled off a shot for the ages in the fading sunlight of afternoon.

Then, he made the most important stroke of all: a 15-foot birdie on the first playoff hole to beat gritty Chris DiMarco.

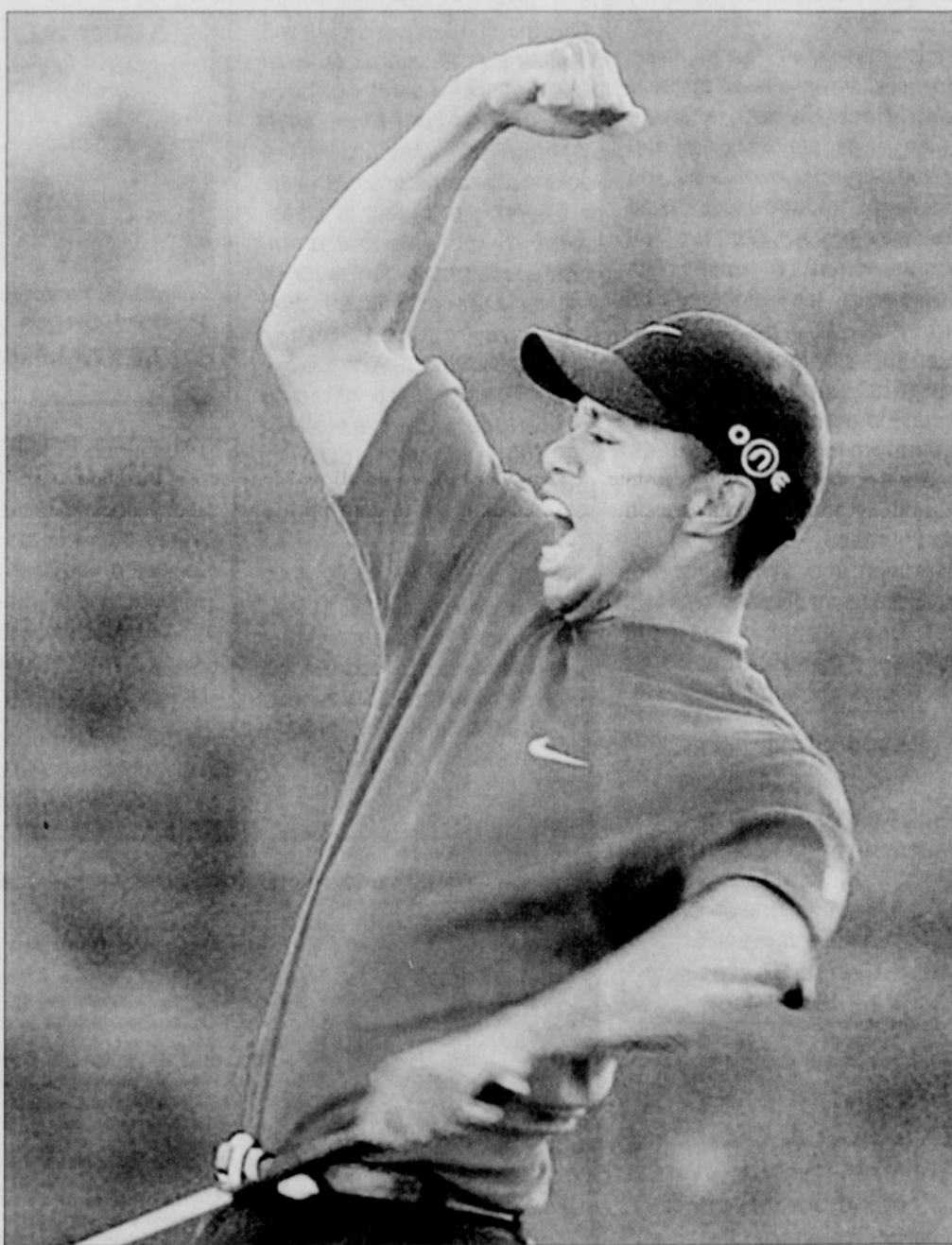
Woods was clinging to a one-stroke lead and on the ropes when his tee shot at the par-3 16th hole sailed long. DiMarco was safely on the green and facing a 15-footer for birdie.

Woods played his chip up the slope and watched it trickle toward the flag. The ball dipped slightly to the right, wobbled back to the left and stopped at the edge. Hanging there for two full seconds before finally toppling into the cup.

Sarazen's double eagle, meet Woods' improbable birdie.

"I would rank that as one of the best ones I've ever hit," Woods said. "It turned things around. It was pretty huge."

DiMarco mumbled "nice shot" toward Woods, then missed his own birdie attempt.



Tiger Woods reacts to winning the 2005 Masters in a playoff with Chris DiMarco on the 18th hole during final round play of the tournament at the Augusta National Golf Club in Augusta, Ga., Sunday. (AP photo)

The Masters, it seemed, was over.

Not so fast. The greatest closer in golf - Woods has never blown a final-round lead in a major and never squandered more than a one-stroke advantage on the last day of any tournament - made a mess of the final two holes.

His tee shot at 17 flew into the pines, leading to bogey. Then he missed the fairway off the tee at 18, pushed his second shot into a bunker and failed to get up-and-down.

DiMarco's approach rolled off the front of

the 18th green, but he nearly won the tournament with an amazing chip of his own. From 40 feet, he caught the right edge of the cup, his ball spinning around the flagpole before winding up 6 feet away.

For the playoff, the two returned to the 18th tee to do it all over again. This time, Woods came up with two of his best shots of the day under stifling pressure.

The winning putt slid into the corner of the cup, giving Woods his ninth major championship at age 29.

## Tyson to Fight Again

(AP) — Mike Tyson talked about sinking into depression, referred to himself as "Mr. Mom," and called his next opponent "real cute."

Yes, The Mike Tyson Show is headed to the nation's capital. The former heavyweight champion announced Tuesday that he'll fight journeyman Kevin McBride on June 11 at the MCI Center - Tyson's first bout in nearly a year.

"I just hope these people of Washington, D.C., are prepared to handle this," Tyson said. "It's going to be a train wreck."

The 38-year-old Tyson, 50-5 with two no contests and 44 knock-outs, lost two of his last three fights. In his most recent outing, in Louisville on July 30, he was stopped in the fourth round by Danny Williams after tearing cartilage in his left knee.

He had surgery - the knee is fine, Tyson said Tuesday - and he's been training in Phoenix for three weeks.



Former heavyweight boxing champion Mike Tyson gestures during a news conference Tuesday announcing his next fight. (AP photo)

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## Globetrotters Host Youth Camp

The Mittleman Jewish Community Center in southwest Portland will host a summer youth basketball camp run by the Harlem Globetrotters.

For the first time ever in Portland, boys and girls from 6 through 16 will have a chance to enhance their skills and work directly with the Harlem Globetrotters, who pride themselves on being the "Ambassadors of Goodwill."

The Globetrotters' approach

is to show youngsters that athletics are fun and that winning is not the only criterion for success. At least two of the Globetrotters will be at camp each day to work with youngsters.

Camp will be held from July 11 through 15, with a morning session from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and an afternoon session from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Each session costs \$180 per camper. Registration is first-come, first-served. For more information or to reg-

ister call 1-800-641-4667 or visit [www.harlemglobetrotters.com](http://www.harlemglobetrotters.com). Camp fees include an official

camp t-shirt, a camp photo, a mini Globetrotters basketball and a team photo of the Globetrotters.



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