## THE ADVENTURE GOLF GUY By John C. Ardussi

FADE IN:

EXT. PORT TO PORT PARKING LOT -- MORNING

One car is parked in the large parking lot. PETE, 20's, wearing a company shirt with insignia, gets out of the car, walks up to the door, unlocks it and enters.

PETE (V.O.)

While everyone is at home, dreaming of that perfect round, I'm here getting things ready.

INT. PORT TO PORT BUILDING -- MORNING

The video games and lights come on as the electricity is turned on.

PETE (V.O.)

How I do my job can determine whether their day is good or bad.

You see Pete's hands putting golf balls in their holder and straightening out the putters. His hands add more score cards and pencils to the holder.

PETE (V.O.)

My name is Peter Greene...

EXT. PORT TO PORT BUILDING -- MORNING

The window cover opens up to reveal Peter standing behind the counter.

PETE

...and I'm the adventure golf guy.

MONTAGE

The sign. A tee. A hole. A gigantic whale.

EXT. PORT TO PORT COURSE -- MORNING

Pete is sweeping and vacuuming the greens, cutting them with finger nail clippers and measuring them with a level.

PETE (V.O.)

Course maintenance is very important. If I mess up, a par 2 could play like a par 3.

Pete tees a few up and hits them.

PETE (V.O.)

Temperature, humidity, wind, even the angle of the sun can effect how the ball rolls. I can't control those...yet.

Pete sets down a manual "Mastering Time, Space and Dimension".

Pete wipes down the benches, picks up trash and puts it in a container.

PETE (V.O.)

People come here to forget about life for a while. This is their putting paradise and I am their host.

EXT. PORT TO PORT PARKING LOT

There are now a lot of cars parked in the lot. There is a large group of people standing at the entrance waiting to get in. They are pressed close and anxious. Pete unclips a rope that is across the entrance. Everyone is frozen still.

PETE

The course is now open.

The people unfreeze and stream through the doors. Pete gets pushed aside.

EXT. PORT TO PORT BUILDING -- DAY

Pete is behind the counter servicing customers.

PETE (V.O.)

Some people confuse adventure golf with miniature golf. Adventure golf doesn't include clown's heads and windmills. It's a serious game of skill.

A series of people teeing off going from regular to absurd.

GOLFER, dressed as a typical golfer, rides on a Segway up to the counter.

GOLFER

Hey Pete. 36 holes today.

PETE

Membership card.

Golfer pulls out his card and hands it to Pete.

PETE (V.O.)

Being a member here is just like being a member at a country club. Except it costs less and here you can get a hot dog on a stick.

Pete hands Golfer his card back and a hot dog on a stick. Pete goes to hand Golfer a putter. Golfer waves him off.

GOLFER

No need.

Golfer points to CADDY who is carrying a bag with one putter. Golfer rides off and is followed by Caddy, who Pete also gives a hot dog on a stick.

Pete gets a CD and puts it into a player. People on the course start reacting positively. All smiles and dancing.

PETE (V.O.)

It's all about the customers.

YOUNG MAN, 12, tees off. Bounce, bounce, hole-in-one. He starts to do a dance and chant.

YOUNG MAN

I win! I win! I am a winner! You're a wiener, but I'm a winner!

Young Man runs up to the counter and sees JOE, mid twenties, dressed like a golf pro with gloves, standing behind the counter. Joe is eating a hot dog on a stick.

YOUNG MAN

I got a hole in one. What do I win?

Joe looks down at the half eaten hot dog on a stick and gives it to Young Man. Joe reaches down behind the counter, pulls out a new hot dog on a stick and takes a bite.

Pete is finishing with the last customer at the counter when Joe walks up.

JOE

Hey butt munch. I need you to clear hole four.

PETE

There are customers that just went out. How about seventeen?

Joe throws away the hot dog on a stick with one bite taken out and picks up a putter.

JOE

I've got a new shot I'm practicing on four. Clear it off. Just say it's closed for repair.

PETE

I can't. People trust me.

JOE

Perfect. Then they'll believe you.

Pete gives Joe a nasty look. Joe walks out.

Joe is demonstrating a shot to CUTE WOMEN.

PETE (V.O.)

I was all for having a course pro. Someone to help people with their game. Someone to show people the sweet spots. Instead we got Joe.

JOE

Now see, you pulled that one to the left. You wanna know what else pulls to the left?

Cute Women nervously nods her head "No." Pete's voice comes over the loudspeaker.

PETE

JOE, PLEASE COME TO THE COUNTER. NOW!

Across the course Pete sees a LITTLE GIRL hit a ball through the fence. Pete grabs a sign from behind the counter and puts it on the counter. "Be right back." Pete grabs a pink ball, heads out the door and tries to hand the pink golf ball to Joe. Joe is putting balls into an electric ball returner.

PETE

You need to go and help her.

Joe takes the pink golf ball.

JOE

Who?

PETE

Her!

Pete points at the Little Girl standing staring at the fence.

JOE

Sure...

Joe puts the pink golf ball down and putts it into the electric ball returner.

JOE

...in about 12 years.

Pete gets the pink golf ball and heads away.

Pete walks up to the Little Girl and crouches down.

PETE

What happened?

LITTLE GIRL

My ball.

Little Girl points at the fence. Pete holds up the other pink ball. The Little Girl takes it and hugs him.

LITTLE GIRL

Thanks adventure golf guy.

Little Girl runs off. Pete stands up.

People are having fun playing.

PETE (V.O.)

It's all about angles and touch. You need to keep your head in the game. And relax, you never score worse than a seven.

Joe is standing at a tee.

JOE

This hole I use the front left tee position, bank, bank, bank, front door.

Golfer and Caddy are sitting on a bench drinking slushes.

GOLFER

Pete is the best. You go with the guy to the mall and everyone knows him. He's a celebrity because of adventure golf. He could run for mayor.

EXT. PORT TO PORT COURSE -- EVENING

The sun starts to go down. The course is empty. The lights turn off.

PETE (V.O.)

The end of the day is always saddest for me. The scores are all in and everyone goes home.

INT. PORT TO PORT BUILDING

The video games and lights go off as the electricity is turned off.

PETE (V.O.)

It's okay though, because tomorrow I get to do it all again.

INT. PORT TO PORT CLUBHOUSE

Pete sees that Joe has fallen asleep in the corner, smiles and walks out.

EXT. PORT TO PORT PARKING LOT -- NIGHT

Peter reattaches the rope across the entrance. As he walks up to his car he stops.

PETE

Cuz I'm the adventure golf guy.

He opens the car door, gets in, closes it and starts up the car.

CREDITS ROLL

The car drives off. You hear bang, bang, bang.

JOE (O.S.)

C'mon dude, let me out. This isn't funny. What if I have to go to the bathroom? Oh, wait. There is a bathroom in here. And food. This is better than my place. Never mind. See you in the morning.

You hear the sound of the electric ball returner.

FADE OUT