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of birdie-birdie-par finish. But no one could go extremely low. Olesen, the British Amateur champion last year, was the first player to get to 5 under until a bogey at the last. Bezuidenhout was the only player from the afternoon wave to join the crowd at the top. Fitzpatrick reached a low point in his game at The Players Championship and appears to be back on track, particularly with what he called a well-rounded game in tough conditions on these links. He is coming off a tie for fourth last week in the Scottish Open. The chip-in was his highlight, from well below the green to the right, into the cup on the fly. “A bit of luck, obviously,” Fitzpatrick said. “Sometimes you need that. It just came out a little bit harder than I anticipated and on the perfect line.” Li might have had the most impressive round, keeping bogeys off his card, by holing a 10-foot par putt on the final hole. Another bogey-free round belonged to 44-year-old Justin Rose,



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Spectators hold up umbrellas as heat rain falls during the first round of the British Open golf championship at the Royal Portrush Golf Club, Northern Ireland, Thursday.

in the group at 69 that included 52-year-old Lee Westwood, former Open champion Brian Harman and Lucas Glover, who was tied for the lead until a pair of bogeys early on the back nine. Harris walked along with Ramon Bescansa, a former player, occasional caddie and mostly known for teaching putt and

chipping. Eric Larson, who has caddied for English the last eight years, was denied a new travel visa required for the UK. Among the red flags is anyone serving more than 12 months in prison. Larson served 10 years for conspiracy to distribute cocaine, a case of knowing friends in the

Midwest who wanted it and people in south Florida who had it. Bescansa caddies for Abraham Ancer on LIV Golf, who didn't qualify for the Open. English is in a crucial stretch of the season as he tries to make the Ryder Cup team. The lanky Georgian isn't bothered by much, and he's handled

the disruption with ease. The golf has been pretty steady, too. “Was looking forward to coming to this week, and immediately after playing the course, I really liked it,” said English, who didn't qualify for the Open when it was at Portrush in 2019. “I loved how it frames the tee shots and you get to see a

lot more trouble than you would on a normal links course.” For everyone, the hardest part was staying dressed for the occasion. There were sweaters and then rain suits, and some finished their round in short-sleeved shirts. This is what is meant by “mixed” conditions in the forecast. Defending champion Xander Schauffele had a mixture of birdies and bogeys that added to an even-par 71. Shane Lowry, the last Open champion at Royal Portrush in 2019, had the nerves of someone hitting the opening tee shot. He handled that beautifully, along with most other shots in the worst of the weather in his round of 70. And this might just be the start. “We're going to get challenging conditions over the next few days,” Lowry said. “Today, for example, the 11th hole was like the worst hole to get the weather we got in. ... I think there's going to be certain times in the tournament where that's going to happen, and you just need to kind of put your head down and battle through it and see where it leaves you.”

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and tight ends. He played quarterback and tight end at Indiana University. Last season, the Black Knights led the country in rushing — averaging more than 300 yards an outing — as Army finished 12-2. When the Meade County job opened, he knew he wanted

to be home where his father, Dan, and mother, Janet, still live. He said returning to where he grew up has been “everything and more” the last few months. “I love this program. They're walking in the shoes that I did, so I can relate to these guys,” he said. “I've noticed when I go around the country recruiting, a lot people complain about kids not being able to take crit-

icism and respond to adversity. Coach Larry Mofield raised these guys the right way. They're tough, they're disciplined. I have not had to change anything when it comes to standards or culture. That's something I'm very fortunate to inherit from coach Mofield. Players and discipline within the program have exceeded my expectations.” Jeff D'Alessio can be reached at [jdalessio@thenewsenterprise.com](mailto:jdalessio@thenewsenterprise.com).



Powers addresses his team after a practice last Thursday. The Green Wave open the season Aug. 22 at South Oldham. JEFF D'ALESSIO/The News-Enterprise

## NOTICE TO HARDIN COUNTY TAXPAYERS

BRIAN D. SMITH, Hardin County Clerk pursuant to KRS 424.130, announces that the 2024 Delinquent Real Property Tax Bills (Certificates of Delinquency) will be published in the The News Enterprise on July 25, 2025. The list of Certificates of Delinquency is also available for public inspection during the hours of 7:45 am to 4:30 pm at the County Clerk's office located at 150 N. Provident Way, Ste 103, Elizabethtown, KY 42701. This list may also be inspected on the Hardin County Clerk's Office website.

The Uniform Resource Locator (URL) of the website is [hccoky.org/DelTax/search2.asp](https://hccoky.org/DelTax/search2.asp)

The tax sale will be held on August 25, 2025 beginning at 8:00 am.

All interested participants must register with the County Clerk's office by the close of business on August 15, 2025.

Please contact the County Clerk's office if you need additional information about the tax sale registration process, the required registration fee or the deposit amounts that will be needed.

Taxpayers can continue to pay their delinquent tax bills to the County Clerk's office anytime prior to the tax sale.

**Please Note: All payments must be received in the County Clerk's office prior to the tax sale date listed in this advertisement. Payments received after the tax sale has been conducted will be returned without exception.**

Some delinquencies – although they have been advertised – will be excluded from the tax sale in accordance with the provisions of KRS 134.504(10)(b).

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the County Clerk's office at 270-765-2171 menu option 3.

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