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# Scottish Open presented challenges

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Scottish Open with a GBP of \$5.4 Million featured Tommy Fleetwood in his sixth European Tour title. Even with the persistent heavy rain and gusting winds that left most parts of the Renaissance Club Course underwater, Fleetwood beat all odds to card a third round of 69 alongside finishing seven under par, which was just two shots behind Robert Rock.

Other groups rounded up in near darkness, Meanwhile Rock thought about not pushing through the par-three 17th, where the 43-year-old struggled to see the pin. Nevertheless, Rock putted the last two holes left and completed with an excellent 72.

But even a 72 was not enough to steal the Scottish Open win, has Lucas Herbert won the tournament to the surprise of all with an incredible 79 after he slumped six shots off the pace.

Wade Ormsby, Marcus Kinhult, and Ian Poulter shared second with Tommy Fleetwood. Fleetwood was quite happy with how the rounds turned out. "I loved every minute of it." He added, "It's golf isn't it?"

"Let's face it, with the money we play for these days it does not do any harm does it? It's fine. I'd play in it every day if that's what it took.

It was a good one has the birdie on the 18 left the day good. Play your best on the green all day, and occasionally look at the leaderboard to see the front line players. It hits you that everyone is striving hard as well you get to know that every birdie that gives you the slightest edge is like gold dust added Fleetwood.

"It was pretty relentless. The rain didn't stop for half a second and just got worse and progressively worse and windy throughout day. It was pretty tough towards the end.

On the other side of the fence, Poulter had a good start with two shots off the lead where he had his first 11 holes two under par before his performance went downtown with four dropped shots in his last seven holes.

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"I think it was a pretty good game," said Poulter after his 73. "It's straightforward to sit here and moan and say the golf course got unplayable, right. I'm not going to do that. I'm going to tell it was a massive mental challenge, and we needed all of the greenkeepers' help to get us here.

On the other hand, Robert Rock declined to give any comments to reporters after his round in the Scottish Open. The victory in Abu Dhabi in 2012 was his most recent European Tour title, which was back in 2012.

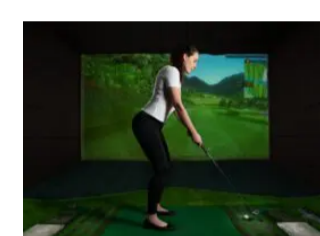
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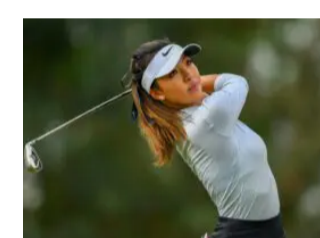
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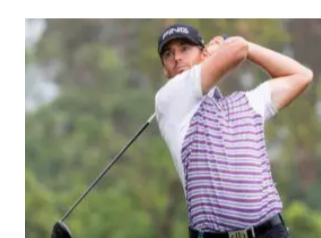
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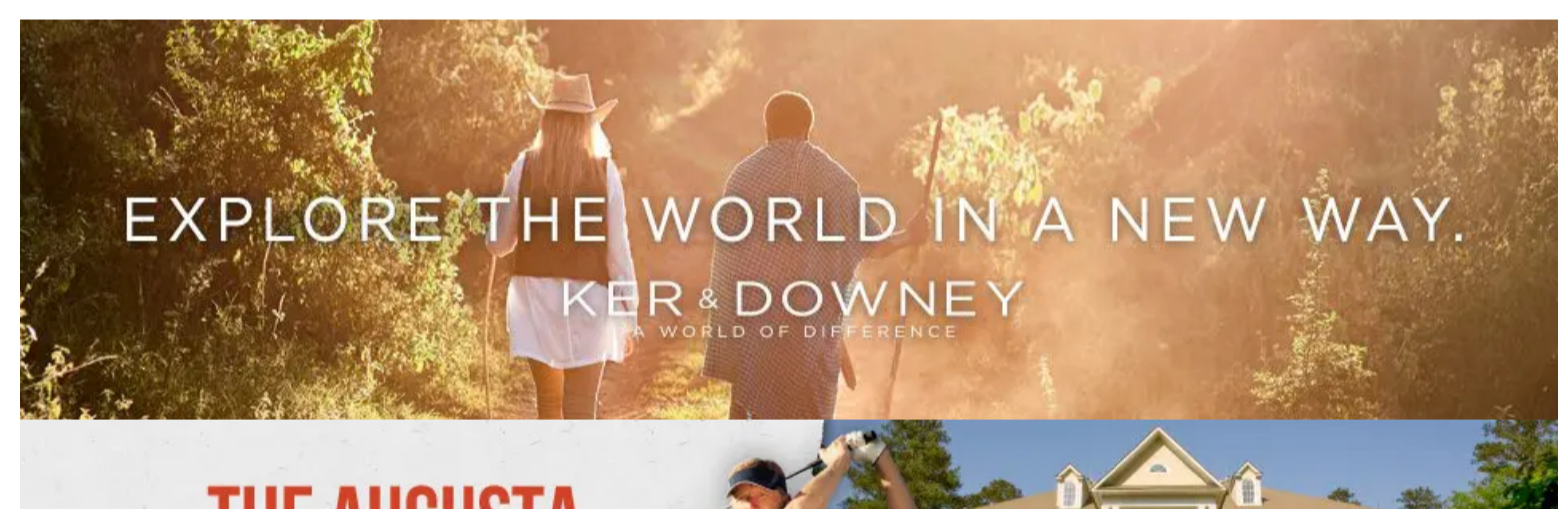
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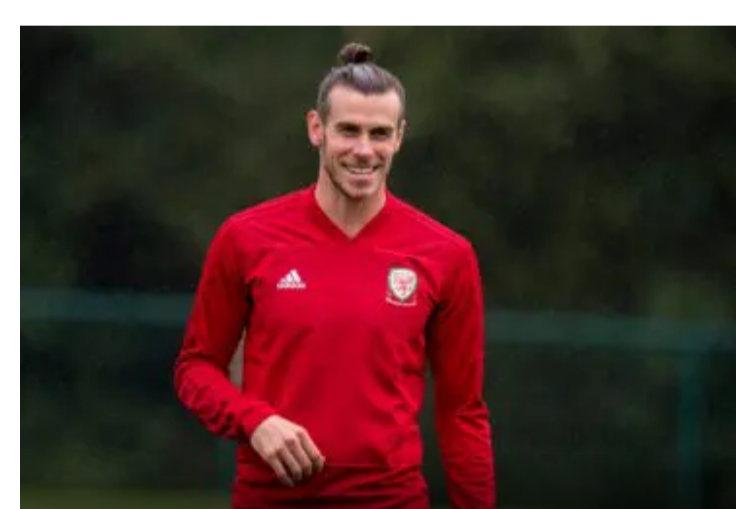
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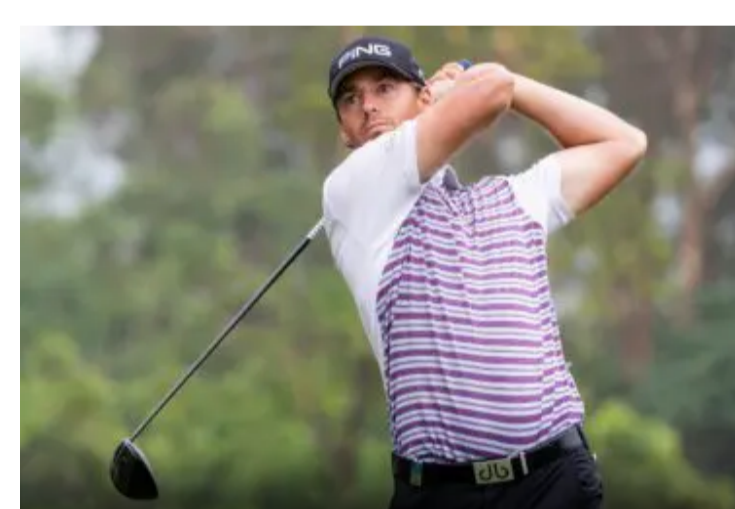
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