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BRITISH OPEN

Kisner stumbles late but still tied

Zach Johnson also tops leaderboard as course softens and field tightens



ASSOCIATED PRESS Kevin Kisner grimaces after a bogey on No. 10 on the way to a 70 on Friday at Carnoustie.

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CARNOUSTIE, SCOTLAND

 A light rain in the morning that gave way to soft sunlight in the afternoon took some of the sting out of Carnoustie.

Just not all of it. Kevin Kisner found that out with one swing that erased his two-shot lead Friday in the British Open and left him tied with housemate Zach Johnson. He hit an 8-iron that only needed to go 150 yards to clear the Barry Burn in front of the 18th green. Instead, it floated out of the yellow grass to the right, bounced off the base of the rock wall that frames the winding stream and led to a double bogey.

Disappointed but not down, Kisner removed his cap behind the green and scratched his head as if he wondered what hit him.

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| LEADERS | | NOTABLES | |
|----------------|---|--------------------|----|
| Z. Johnson - | 6 | R. McIlroy | -4 |
| K. Kisner - | 6 | J. Spieth | -3 |
| T. Fleetwood- | 5 | T. Woods | Ε |
| P. Perez - | 5 | TV: 6 a.m., | |
| X. Schauffele- | 5 | KSDK (5) | |
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Cook sees Iowa as best place for him now



Chaminade grad Tyler Cook will return to Iowa for his junior year.

BY PETER BAUGH

St. Louis Post-Dispatch

On May 30, Tyler Cook's last chance to withdraw from the NBA draft, the 6-foot-9 forward woke up with a decision.

Cook had gone through workouts with professional teams but did not hire an agent, meaning he could return to Iowa for his junior season. That's what the 20-yearold chose to do.

"I went with the decision to wait and give myself a better chance to really be in the upper-first round of next year's draft," said Cook, who played high school basketball for

Chaminade. Ahead of the deadline to withdraw, Cook had been training multiple times a day. As he got out of bed on May 30 and ate breakfast with his parents in St. Louis, he felt a sense of peace in his decision.

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1ST INNING • CARPENTER HITS SOLO HOME RUN



2ND INNING • CARPENTER HITS TWO-RUN HOMER



4TH INNING • CARPENTER DOUBLES

GOING **4TH INNING • CARPENTER HITS RBI DOUBLE**

Carpenter has historic game in win vs. Cubs

CARDS

BY DERRICK GOOLD

St. Louis Post-Dispatch

CHICAGO • There were stretches during the days of having a subterranean batting average that Matt Carpenter didn't recognize the statistics staring back at him from the scoreboard. They didn't twinkle, they taunted, and at their most troubling he had to stonewall the idea those numbers might be telling.

He once admitted that his production was so paltry that he "might as well not have been around for the first 35 games." Absence made the resolve grow stronger and when he finally had the swing to match, Carpenter raged ahead and no longer had to squint to see his stats.

Having made up for lost time, he had a game Friday for all time.

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18 CUBS

> Game 1: 12:05 p.m. at Cubs, FSM Weaver (5-8, 4.72) vs. Chatwood (3-5, 5.04) > Game 2: 6:15 p.m. at Cubs, KTVI (Ch. 2)

Gant (4-8, 3.49) vs. Montgomery (3-3, 3.91)

Carpenter's resurgence

Matt Carpenter's batting has steadily rebounded since a low point on May 15.

Batting avg.Slugging pct.



SOURCE: baseball-reference.com

CARDINALS LEADERS IN TOTAL BASES

| Player | Date | Opp | Rslt | Score | TB |
|----------------|---------------|-----|------|-------|----|
| Matt Carpenter | July 20, 2018 | CHC | W | 18-5 | 16 |
| Mark Whiten | Sept. 7, 1993 | CIN | W | 15-2 | 16 |
| Albert Pujols | July 20, 2004 | CHC | W | 11-8 | 15 |
| Bill White | July 5, 1961 | LAD | W | 9-1 | 14 |

With Shildt's backing, Fowler eyes new start



BEN **FREDERICKSON** St. Louis Post-Dispatch

CHICAGO • Mid-May felt light years away.

Five times on Friday, Matt Carpenter bowed his back, heaved a big breath through his beard and found a pitch to feast

Four-seamer. Two-seamer. Change-up. Two strikes on him. First pitch offered. Southpaw. Righty. He punished them all the same.

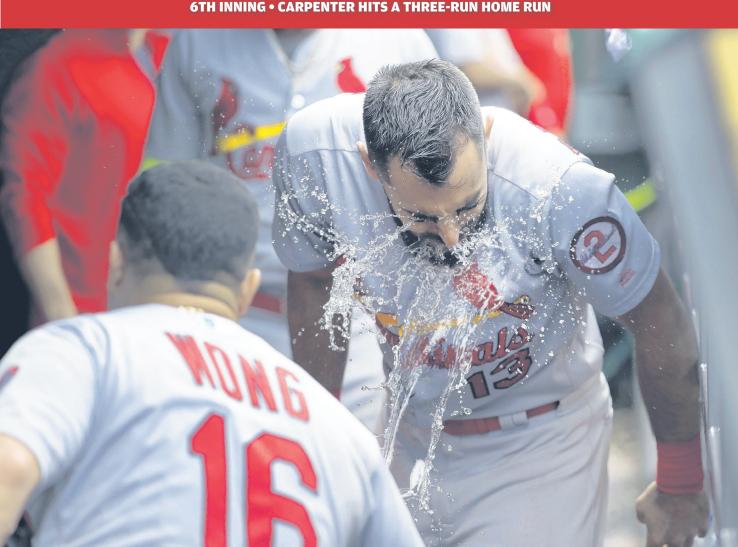
With no regard for human life, Carpenter in six innings silenced a Wrigley Field crowd with two doubles, three home runs, seven RBIs and 16 total

From the press box, the swings that secured Carpenter's place in history sounded like an ax splitting dry wood. He left the Cubs with no choice but to turn the second of this five-game series into a circus. A carousel of Joe Maddon's position players came to the mound to mop up the Cardinals' 18-5 win.

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DGONES

6TH INNING • CARPENTER HITS A THREE-RUN HOME RUN



ASSOCIATED PRESS PHOTOS

The Cardinals' Kolten Wong tosses water on Matt Carpenter after his third home run of the game against the Cubs on Friday at Wrigley Field.