

# U.S. Open Championship 2017

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## Harris English

### Flash Interview



**Q. What kind of number do you think 4-under is halfway through?**

HARRIS ENGLISH: Yeah, I'm happy with it. The course is getting tougher by the minute out there. The greens are drying out. I feel like they're getting them right where the USGA wants it. They're firming up, they're getting faster, and even with not a whole lot of wind, it's still a tough golf course.

**Q. Is this one of those you're kind of happy to be in based on what could happen the rest of today?**

HARRIS ENGLISH: Yeah, for sure. I feel like we got a good draw with it being a little softer yesterday, and then coming out this morning it was a little soft on our front nine, and definitely firmed up on our back nine. So it was getting tougher, and I'm glad to be done. Now I have the afternoon to hang out.

**Q. William McGirt was saying some of the spots are definitely more difficult today. Did you share that and do you anticipate that continuing through the weekend?**

HARRIS ENGLISH: Yeah, for sure. If you're on the wrong side of the hole, it's a difficult two-putt. With them getting so much faster, those three- and four-footers are a lot tougher. So it's fun out there.

**Q. How much do you feel the course turning?**

HARRIS ENGLISH: How much?

**Q. How much do you feel it turning as they're finishing?**

HARRIS ENGLISH: Yeah, those last couple holes, the greens were firming up. The greens were getting faster. It's starting to get Augusta-like around the greens. That's how they want it to play. They want par to be a good score, and this afternoon it will be.

**Q. So what does that mean for the weekend, do you think?**

HARRIS ENGLISH: Yeah, hopefully it will stay like this, no rain, and keep firming up and getting dry and fast. I think that's how everybody wants to play. That's where we will see this golf course (indiscernible).

**Q. Is it the way you would prefer it personally?**

HARRIS ENGLISH: Yeah, I think this is how this course is meant to be played, firm and fast. Bring it on.

**Q. Could they lose it?**

HARRIS ENGLISH: I don't think so. I think with what's happened in the past, they'll know what's right.

**Q. I know they know what's right, the question is can they lose it?**

HARRIS ENGLISH: I guess they didn't, like Rickie shooting 7-under yesterday, so they'll keep reeling it back closer to par.

**Q. Do you believe them, Harris, when they say they don't care what the winning score is?**

HARRIS ENGLISH: I don't know. I mean, they want to make it a good test, and I feel like the U.S. Opens I've played have been a good test. I haven't played in one that's been unfair. This looks the same. We'll see what they do on the weekend. But the last thing is fine.