



Michael Bonallack Trophy

EUROPE VERSUS ASIA-PACIFIC



25-27 April 2008 Valderrama, Spain



Club de Golf
VALDERRAMA





Programme

Championship Programme



DATE	ACTIVITIES	PLACE	TIME
22 APRIL	TEAM ARRIVAL	MALAGA AIRPORT	T.B.A
	WELLCOME COCKTAIL	HOTEL ALMENARA	19:30
23 APRIL	1ST PRACTICE ROUND	VALDERRAMA	9:00 A 10:30
	CHAMPIONSHIP MEETING	VALDERRAMA	+/- 17:30
24 APRIL	2ND PRACTICE ROUND	VALDERRAMA	9:00 – 10:30
	DUFFERS COMPETITION	SOTOGRANDE	9:00 – 10:30
	DUFFERS LUNCH & PRICE GIVING	SOTOGRANDE	14:00
	RULES MEETING	VALDERRAMA	17:00
	CAPTAINS MEETING	VALDERRAMA	17:30
	OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPHS	VALDERRAMA	18:30
	OPENING CEREMONY	VALDERRAMA	19:00
	COCKTAIL PARTY	VALDERRAMA	19:30
1 st day competition			
25 APRIL	5 FOURBALL MATCHES	VALDERRAMA	8:30 – 9:10 or 9:00 – 9:40
	5 FOURSOME MATCHES	VALDERRAMA	14:00 – 14:40
2 nd day competition			
26 APRIL	5 FOURBALL MATCHES	VALDERRAMA	8:30 – 9:10 or 9:00 – 9:40
	5 FOURSOME MATCHES	VALDERRAMA	14:00 – 14:40
3 rd day competition			
27 APRIL	12 SINGLES	VALDERRAMA	11:30 – 13:20
	PRICE GIVING CEREMONY	VALDERRAMA	19:30
	CLOSING DINNER	VALDERRAMA	20:30
28 APRIL	TEAMS DEPARTURE	HOTEL ALMENARA AEROPUERTO DE MALAGA	T.B.A



Letter



Letter from Michael Bonallack

It is now more than 50 years since I played my first International Golf Match, but many of the friends I made at that time are still friends to this day. That is one of the wonderful benefits of golf and especially amateur golf.

I am sure that those of you playing in this match for the first time will remember the experience many years from now and I would like to think that some of the friends you make this week will still be friends. Some of you will almost certainly go on to have very successful professional careers, whilst others will, like me, remain amateurs. Whichever path you choose I hope that you will have as much pleasure from the game as I have been fortunate enough to enjoy.

It is worth remembering that all the world's greatest players started as amateurs and gained wonderful experience about playing under pressure when they were representing their countries in matches such as this. Jack Nicklaus and Tiger Woods are two that come to mind who both played in the Walker Cup and, of course, went on to play in the Ryder Cup as well. I know that both of them will still remember very clearly how they played in their first matches and be grateful for the opportunity.

One of the other pleasures of golf, is that we play in some wonderful places and you this week, are playing on one of the really great courses where good shots are rewarded and not such good ones get what they deserve. I know that all of you will have a great time and I very much hope that the memories of this match will give you pleasure for the rest of your lives. Play well, enjoy the experience and also the new friends you make.

Michael Bonallack



Letter



Letter from the President of the European Golf Association

It is a great honour for me to welcome the teams at this 6th Asia/Pacific – Europe Match to compete for the Sir Michael Bonallack Trophy.

I would like to convey my sincere thanks to the Royal Spanish Golf Federation for hosting this event. Furthermore my special thanks go to the members of the Valderrama Golf Club for allowing us the exclusive use of their magnificent golf course.

This Championship is one of a kind. The Michael Bonallack Trophy is not just an outstanding competition and a great challenge for all players. It brings together many of the most talented amateur golfers in the world.

All of you participants have qualified for this tournament by results and we look forward to seeing you play some excellent golf throughout the week. I hope that you will have as much pleasure in competing, as all the spectators will have in watching you play.

I wish you all best of luck and may the best team win!

Marion Thannhäuser
President EGA



Letter



Letter from the President of the Asia-Pacific Golf Confederation

On behalf of the Asia-Pacific Golf Confederation, I would like to extend my warm welcome to all players and officials who are visiting Valderrama for the 6th Asia-Pacific – Europe match for the Sir Michael Bonallack Trophy. In addition, I would like to add my greetings to all of our special guests including the trophy's namesake Sir Michael Bonallack.

I also would like to express my sincere gratitude to Emma Villaceros, President of the Royal Spanish Golf Federation and to Jaime Ortiz Patino, President of the Valderrama Golf Club who are hosting this tournament at the beautiful Valderrama golf course. My sincere thanks also goes to the R&A which has supported this event since its inception. For the next few days, we can look forward to enjoying excellent golf and golfers from Europe and Asia-Pacific. I sincerely hope all the players demonstrate their excellence in the tournament and the best player and team win.

I also hope all the players make new friendships and enjoy beautiful southern Spain during their stay in Valderrama.

Kwangsoo Hur
President Asia-Pacific Golf Confederation



Letter



Letter from the President of Valderrama

It gives me great pleasure to extend a warm welcome to everyone to Valderrama on the occasion of the Michael Bonallack Trophy 2008.

I would especially like to welcome to San Roque the players and officials of both teams and the representatives of the R&A, the EGA and the Asia Pacific Region. I hope you enjoy your stay in Andalusia, and discover and enjoy its traditions, climate, and nature.

Having staged fifteen Volvo Masters, a Ryder Cup and two World Golf Championships, Valderrama is very proud to have been chosen to host a major amateur tournament such as this.

The Michael Bonallack Trophy brings together the very best amateur players of Europe and the Asia Pacific Region, and has grown in stature to become one of the most important amateur events in the world.

Considered as one of the best and most demanding championship courses in the world, Valderrama is the perfect venue for a tournament such as this.

I would like to thank the Royal Spanish Golf Federation, the EGAPGA, the R&A and the Asia Pacific Council for having chosen Valderrama to host the Michael Bonallack Trophy, and for their efforts in its organisation.

Finally, I would like to thank the local authorities and Valderrama's staff and members; as without their support the staging of this prestigious event at Valderrama would not be possible.

Felipe Ortiz Patiño
President, Club de Golf Valderrama



Letter



Letter from the President of the Royal Spanish Golf Federation

On behalf of the Royal Spanish Golf Federation, it is my pleasure to welcome the participants of the 2008 Michael Bonallack Trophy, that reaches this year its 6th edition, showing the importance achieved during the past years this singular golf competition, that we first hosted, in Puerta de Hierro Golf Club, in 2000.

It also gives me great pleasure to welcome the members of the teams, captains and officials, as well as to all the representatives of the R&A, EGA and Asia-Pacific Golf Confederation attending, referees, visitors and guests. I hope that your stay in Valderrama, one of the best courses in the world, will be a memorable one, and that you will enjoy of the hospitality and emplacement of the San Roque region, with lovely surroundings and sunny weather, that I hope will accompany us along the whole week.

My warmest thanks to the officials and staff of Valderrama, venue of the Michael Bonallack Trophy from 23rd to 25th April. Their outstanding support, hard work and dedication to present the course and sport facilities in such good conditions is greatly appreciated.

I wish you all a memorable and successful match, and whatever the outcome, both teams are to be congratulated for their spirit and skill.

Emma Villacieros
President RFEG



Letter



Letter from the Honorary President of Valderrama

Before New Zealand I agreed to host the Michael Bonallack Trophy at Valderrama. As Founder and Honorary President of Valderrama, I am delighted that my invitation to host the 2008 Michael Bonallack Trophy at Valderrama has been accepted.

This event, which brings together boys of different nationalities, epitomizes the ethos of the Golf.

Amateurs are the foundations of the game, and should be encouraged at every turn. The true value of golf lies in the amateur game, and there is no better test of the game than events such as this, where the best young amateurs from Europe are given the honour of representing their team in a contest against the best players of the Rest of the World, excluding North America. I wish them all good luck, and look forward to meeting them on this very special occasion.

Jaime Ortiz Patiño
Honorary President, Club de Golf Valderrama



Committees



Championship Committees

HONORARY COMMITTEE / COMITÉ DE HONOR

Sir Michael Bonallack	
Mrs. Marion Thannhäuser	EGA President
Mr. Kwangsoo Hur	APGC President
Mr. Felipe Ortiz Patiño	Valderrama C.G. President
Mrs. Emma Villacieros	President of RFEG
Mr. David Harrison	Captain of the R & A Golf Club of St. Andrews
Mr. Angel de la Riva	President of the Andalusian Federation
Mr. Jaime Ortiz Patiño	Valderrama C.G. Honorary President

CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE

Mrs. Anne Lanrezac	Chairman of the EGA Championship Committee
Mr. Colin Phillips	Honorary Secretary APGC
Mr. Felipe Ortiz Patiño	Valderrama C.G. President
Mr. John Storjohann	EGA General Secretary
Mr. Pablo Chaves	Chairman of the Rules Committee of RFEG
Mr. Derek Brown	Valderrama G.C. General Manager
Mr. Richard Heath	EGA Championship Manager
Mr. Ernesto Fernández de Gamboa	RFEG Sport Manager

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

Mr. Derek Brown	Valderrama G.C. General Manager
Mr. Richard Heath	EGA Championship Manager
Mr. Ernesto Fernández de Gamboa	RFEG Sport Manager



Conditions

1. Conditions

- (a) The rules of golf, as adopted by the royal & ancient golf club of sT. andrews, will apply together with such local rules as are approved by the championship committee.
- (b) The match will be under the sole management and control of the championship committee; the decision of which, in all matters relating to the match, shall be final. in the absence of the full championship committee, such members thereof as may be present at any time may give a decision and any decision so given shall be deemed to be a decision of the full championship committee.
- (c) Rule 6 – 3(a) provides: *“the player shall start at the time laid down by the committee”*. the penalty for a breach of rule 6 – 3 (A) is disqualification. however it is a condition of this match that, in the absence of circumstances which warrant waiving the penalty of disqualification as provided in rule 33 – 7, if the player / piring arrives at his / its starting point, ready to play within 5 minutes of his / its starting time, then the penalty for failing to start on time is the loss of the first hole instead of disqualification.
- (d) It will be obligatory for all competitors to play with a ball that is named in the current R&A and / or usga approved lists.
- (e) It is prohibited for a player or his caddie to ride in or on a motorised cart during play. *penalty* – at the conclusion of the hole at which the breach is discovered, the state of the match shall be adjusted by deducting 1 hole for each hole at which any breach occurred; the maximum deduction per round is 2 holes.
- (f) In accordance with the note to rule 8 of the rules of golf, Each team may appoint one person (in addition to the persons from which advice may be asked under that rule) who may give advice to members of that team. such person shall be identified to the committee before giving advice.
- (g)
 - (I) no alteration shall be made to either team once the flag raising ceremony has commenced – except as permitted by clause (III). no alteration shall be made to a team line – up once the order HAS BEEN submitted by the manager to championship officials in the tournament office – except as permitted by clause g(III) (NB a sheet of paper bearing the team order must be physically submitted).



Conditions



- (II) The team line – up for a session of play must be submitted at least 30 minutes prior to the commencement of that session.
- (III) Should a nominated player be rendered incapable of playing by reason of accident, illness or other reasonable cause, substitution may be made for such player subject to the approval of the championship committee.
- (IV) If a team member is unable to compete in the singles, subject to the approval of the championship committee, his match considered halved.
- (h) In accordance with the note under rule 6 – 8 b of the rules of golf, the championship committee will provide that in potentially dangerous situations, play shall be discontinued immediately following a suspension of play by the committee. (a full briefing will be given at the captains meeting)
- (i) Where a breach of any of the championship conditions occurs, the committee may impose such penalty as it sees fit no specific penalty is stipulated.

2. Format

- (a) Each team will consist of 12 players and a captain / manager (no more than two players may be selected by country)
- (b)

FRIDAY	in the morning – four ball (five matches) in the afternoon – foursomes (five matches)
SATURDAY	in the morning – four ball (five matches) in the afternoon – foursomes (five matches)
SUNDAY	singles (12 matches)
- (c) in the event of a delay in play, the championship committee reserves the right to alter this programme as it sees fit.
- (d) all play will be by match play.



The Course

Valderrama Golf Club

Club de Golf Valderrama is located in Andalucía, the largest and southern-most region of Spain. A few miles north of Gibraltar, it is approximately two hours' drive from Cádiz and one and a half hours from Málaga. The climate is ideal for year-round golf.

The Par 71 Championship Course measures 6356 metres from the professional tees. The fairways have been described by top pros and leading golf writers as the best in Europe, if not the world. It is not an easy course - nor was it intended to be. It is designed so as to call forth thought and precision for every shot.

The course was designed in 1974 by Robert Trent Jones, Sr, one of the great golf course architects, and was originally known as Sotogrande New. In 1981 its name was changed to Las Aves. Its incarnation in its present form began in 1984, when Jaime Ortiz-Patiño was able to acquire it from the developers who a few years earlier had laid out the very extensive Sotogrande area so imaginatively and tastefully. Ortiz-Patiño had been one of the first to build a house, and for some years he had nursed the secret ambition to bring Las Aves to a greater potential.

In 1984 he was able to acquire, along with the golf course, certain additional parcels of land that would allow this. Robert Trent Jones willingly agreed to come back and redesign his original layout of ten years earlier. Together the two men spent many hours walking around the course and discussing where and how improvements should be made.

Ortiz-Patiño renamed the course Valderrama, after the ancient estate on which the land is situated. The pair shared a common aim: to create a course that would present a test of golf to the everyday golfer and the first-class player alike, and would bring out the best golf that is in him. Valderrama has since risen in the *Golf World* rankings to become the No.1 golf course in mainland Europe, a position proudly held since 1989.



The Course



Picture: Rafa Cabrera - RFGA

No championship course in modern times has so swiftly achieved such recognition. As early as 1988, Valderrama began to host the newly-launched Volvo Masters, the flagship tournament of the PGA European Tour, and continued to do so until 1996. In 1997 the Club hosted the 32nd Ryder Cup, won by Europe in a most thrilling finish. Valderrama remains today the only club ever to have hosted golf's pinnacle event outside its traditional homelands, USA and Britain.



Next, in 1999 and 2000, Valderrama went on to host the first two editions of the World Golf Championships - American Express Championship, which were won by Tiger Woods and Mike Weir respectively. The tone for the Ryder Cup event was set by Severiano Ballesteros, the Europe captain, when he walked the course with John Paramor, the chief tournament director. 'I found everything perfect,' he said. 'It's impossible to imagine a golf course in better condition. Valderrama is a private Members' club, but a limited number of starting times are offered for visitors most days of the year.

The Valderrama Golf Club is one of the best known golf clubs in Europe. It is located in Sotogrande, in the Andalucía region in Southern Spain, a few miles from Gibraltar, and has a single 18 hole course.

Valderrama was constructed in 1974 to the designs of leading American golf course architect Robert Trent Jones. Before switching to its present name, it was known as "Sotogrande New" and "Las Aves". In 1984 it was acquired by a new owner, Jaime Ortiz-Patiño, and expanded by the original architect. By 1999, it was rated the number one course in mainland Europe by *Golf World* magazine.

The fourth hole, La Cascada, is the course's signature hole. It is a par 5 with a pond to the right of the two-tiered green. The practice ground was called the best in Europe by Nick Faldo.

Valderrama is a 6356 metres par 71 with no hole of less than championship quality but it can be fully enjoyed by players of all handicaps, thanks to the genius of Robert Trent Jones, Senior, whom many consider the leading golf architect of his day.



The Course

The amenability of the golf course to the handicap golfer and its deliberate severity to the championship player owe much to the extensive range of tees. Each hole has a Professional tee (6356 metres), a Club Championship tee (5994), an Executive tee (5498) and a Seniors' tee (5053), as well as a ladies Professional tee (5294) and a ladies Club tee (4873). The tees are differentiated not just by distance but by careful siting.



Valderrama has two prevailing winds: the poniente from the land, which in summer can be very hot, and the levante from the Mediterranean, which brings a cooler sea breeze. The changed conditions, depending on which one is blowing, add variety to a golf course that is already rich in shot values.

The Practice Ground is near the Clubhouse and has been described by Nick Faldo as the best in Europe. Since that comment was made the facilities have been much improved.

Valderrama has superb drainage. Once, during the week of the Volvo Masters, it suffered 7 ?" of rain, yet the tournament was still completed on time.

Valderrama has 16 ha (40 acres) of wildlife sanctuaries, which are made up of mixed woodland, dry grassy banks or damp valley floors. In the sanctuaries wildlife can flourish in peace and safety, developing the diversity that naturally occurs within the norms of the local geology and climate.



Picture: Rafa Cabrera - RFGA



Results



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Results of previous years

Year	Venue	Winner	Result
1998	Lake Karrinyup GC, Australia	Europe	18 - 14
2000	Puerta de Hierro, Madrid, Spain	Europe	20 - 12
2002	Hirono GC, Japan	Asia - Pacific	18 - 14
2004	Circolo Golf Roma, Italy	Asia - Pacific	16.5 - 15.5
2006	Auckland GC, New Zealand	Europe	18-14



Player Profiles



European Team



Captain: Gonzaga Escauriza

Bjorn Akesson
Wallace Booth
Sean Einhaus
Nigel Edwards
Benjamin Hebert
Alexandre Kaleka
Shane Lowry
Callum Macaulay
Pedro Oriol
Joel Sjöholm
Chris Wood
Daniel Willett

Spain
Sweden
Scotland
Germany
Wales
France
France
Ireland
Scotland
Spain
Sweden
England
England



Asia-Pacific Team



Captain: Roger Brennand

Rohan Blizzard
Shih-Chang Chan
Ming-Chuan Chen
Varut Chomchalam
Anthony Fernando
James Gill
Yuki Ito
Bi-O Kim
Yeong-Su Kim
Danny Lee
Tim Stewart
Naoyuki Tamura

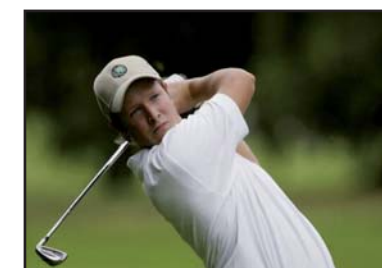
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Player Profiles



European Team Player Profiles



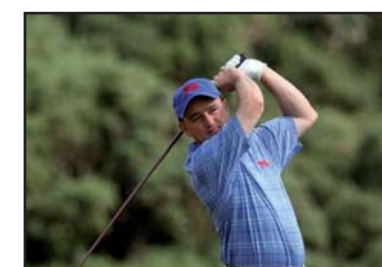
Bjorn Akesson Sweden

2007 Polo Junior Classic (USA) Champion
2007 Tour Golf Open (Nordic League) Runner-up
2006 British Boys Championship Runner-up
2006 Duncan Putter (Wales) Champion



Wallace Booth Scotland

2007 Cameron Corbett Vase (Scotland) Champion
2007 Tennant Cup (Scotland) Champion
2006 Scottish Open Amateur – T7



Nigel Edwards Wales

2007 Duncan Putter (Wales) Champion
2007 Welsh Open Amateur – 3rd
2007 Lytham Trophy (England) Runner-up
2006 South Africa Amateur Champion
2006 European Team Member – Bonallack Trophy



Sean Einhaus Germany

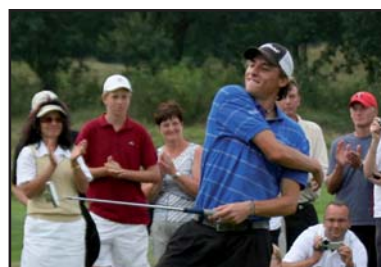
2007 German Open Amateur Champion
2007 German Match Amateur Champion
2007 Swiss International Amateur Runner-up
2006 French Open Amateur Champion
2006 French International Boys Champion
2007 Orange Bowl Champion



Player Profiles



European Team Player Profiles



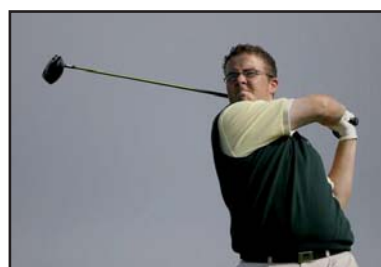
Benjamin Hebert 🇫🇷 France

2007 European Amateur Champion
2007 Portugal Nations Cup Runner-up
2007 Frayssineau-Mouchy Cup (France) – T1
2007 Biarritz Cup (France) – 3rd



Alexandre Kaleka 🇫🇷 France

2007 Frayssineau-Mouchy Cup (France) – T1
2007 St Andrews Links Trophy – 3rd
2007 Scottish Open Amateur Runner-up
2007 South African Amateur Medal Runner-up



Shane Lowry 🇮🇪 Ireland

2007 Portugal Nations Cup Champion
2007 Irish Amateur (Closed) Champion
2007 North of Ireland Amateur Runner-up
2007 East of Ireland Amateur – 3rd



Pedro Oriol 🇪🇸 Spain

2008 National Cup (Spain) – T5
2006 Biarritz Cup (France) Champion
2006 Spanish Junior Runner-up
2006 European Team Member – Bonallack Trophy



Player Profiles



European Team Player Profiles



Callum Macaulay 🇸🇬 Scotland

2007 British Amateur Semi-Finalist
2007 British Amateur Stroke Play – Runner-up
2007 Newlands Trophy (Scotland) Champion
2006 West of Scotland Amateur Champion



Joel Sjöholm 🇸🇪 Sweden

2007 European Amateur Championship – Runner-up
2007 Landmann Open (Nordic League) – T11
2007 Club Glove Intercollegiate Champion
2008 John Hayt Collegiate Champion



Daniel Willett 🇬🇧 England

2007 Spirit International (USA) Champion
2007 English Amateur (Closed) Champion
2007 South of England Amateur Champion
2007 European Amateur Championship – 3rd
2008 Spanish International Champion



Chris Wood 🇬🇧 England

2007 Russian Amateur Champion
2007 West of England Amateur Champion
2007 British Amateur Quarter-Finalist
2007 Mexican International Amateur – 8th



Player Profiles



Asia-Pacific Team Player Profiles



Rohan Blizard 🇦🇺 **Australia**

2007 Australian Amateur Champion
2007 Juan Carlos Tailhade (Argentina) – won individual
2007 SBS Open, Invercargill, NZ - won individual
2007 Tasmanian Open Champion



Shih-Chang Chan 🇨🇳 **Chinese-Taipei**

2007 Acer National Ranking Series – Summer and Winter - 1st
2007 Faldo Series Asia Grand Final – Runner-up (1st - Boys U21)
2007 Hong Kong Open Amateur – Runner-up
2007 Taiwan Amateur Golf Championship – Runner-up
2007 Saujana Amateur Open Golf Championship – =3rd



Ming-Chuan Chen 🇨🇳 **Chinese-Taipei**

2007 Acer National Ranking Series – Spring and Autumn - 1st
2007 Taiwan Amateur Champion
2007 24th Universiade (Bangkok) – Leading Individual
2007 Neighbors Trophy Team Championship - 3rd



Varut Chomchalam 🇹🇭 **Thailand**

2007 South East Asian Games – 1st Team and 6th Individual
2007 24th Universiade (Bangkok) – 1st Team
2006 Singha E Open Champion



Player Profiles



Asia-Pacific Team Player Profiles



Anthony Fernando 🇵🇭 **Philippines**

2007 Philippine Amateur Champion
2007 Singapore Amateur Championship – 4th
2007 South East Asian Games – Silver Medalist (Team)
2007 Saujana Amateur Open Golf Championship – =3rd



James Gill 🇳🇿 **New Zealand**

2007 New Zealand Stroke Play Champion
2007 Turkish Amateur Open Champion
2007 Italian Amateur Stroke Play Champion
2006 Singapore Amateur Championship – Runner-up



Yuki Ito 🇯🇵 **Japan**

2007 Japan Amateur Championship – 7th
2006 Japan Collegiate National – Runner-up
2006 Japan Amateur Championship – Medalist
2006 Kanto Amateur Champion
2006 Asia-Pacific Team Member – Bonallack Trophy



Bi-O Kim 🇰🇷 **Korea**

2007 Neighbors Trophy Team Championship – Winner (Men's Individual)
2007 Songam Cup Amateur Golf Championship – 3rd
2007 Hosim Cup Amateur Golf Championship – 2nd
2007 Xcanvas Open – 4th



Player Profiles



Asia-Pacific Team Player Profiles



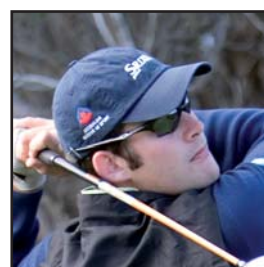
Yeong-Su Kim 🇰🇷 Korea

2007 Korean Amateur Golf Champion
2007 Songam Cup Amateur Golf Championship – Winner
2007 Iksung Cup Maekyung Amateur Golf Championship – Winner
2007 Korea Junior Golf Championship – Runner-up
88th National Sports Festival (2007) - Winner(Men's Individual)



Danny Lee 🇳🇿 New Zealand

2008 Lake Macquarie Amateur Champion
2007 New Zealand Match Play Champion
2007 New Zealand Under 23 Champion
2007 South Island Stroke Play Championships
2007 Callaway World Junior Championship – Runner-up (15-17 Age Group)
2007 Dogwood Invitational – Runner-up



Tim Stewart 🇦🇺 Australia

2007 Riversdale Cup Champion
2007 British Amateur - Runner-up
2006 Australian Amateur Champion
2006 Rice Planters Amateur - Runner-up



Naoyuki Tamura 🇯🇵 Japan

2007 Japan Amateur Championship – Runner-up
2006 Japan Amateur Championship – 3rd
2006 Chugoku Amateur Champion
2006 Asia-Pacific Team Member – Bonallack Trophy



Leisure



What to see in San Roque

The City of San Roque is set in the Straits of Gibraltar, next to the mythical Pillars of Hercules, in the southernmost point on the Iberian Peninsula. It is a crossroads where diverse cultures have intermingled.

The borough of San Roque is an environmentally sustainable, high-quality tourist destination. The municipality offers visitors a wide range of tourist facilities including 8 golf clubs, 9 polo fields, a marina, a wide collection of historical listed buildings, traditional festivities such as Holy Week (an Event of Andalusian Tourist Interest) and the Royal Fair, as well as several nature spots covering large surface areas and countless establishments to cater for your needs.

Monuments

San Roque features the largest collection of listed historical buildings in the Gibraltar Area. The wide variety of listed historical monuments in the old quarter of the town and other places in the borough mean that it is the Gibraltar Area's Historical Centre.

One of the most important places in San Roque is Our Lady of Visitation Chapel, which dates back to the 18th century.



This temple houses the image of the Nazarene recovered from Gibraltar. Amongst the images inside, the statues of Our Lady of Anguish and The Most Blessed Mary of Sorrows, which are paraded during Holy Week, stand out the most.

In the building next door, the Charity Hospital was founded in 1776 by an order of the same name substituting the one in Gibraltar. In 1909 the building was in ruins, but thanks to donations made by local people the parish priest, Manuel Aranda Ureba managed to rebuild it. That very same year the Charity Sisters returned to run the hospital and were substituted by the “Buen Consejo” Franciscan nuns in 1913. The nuns left in September 2001.

The Bull Ring, which was built in 1853, is the oldest in the province of Cadiz and one of the oldest ones in Andalusia. 150 years later, in 2002, the Bullfighting Museum was inaugurated.

In the city centre you can see the Plaza de Andalucía Square, the place where the “Santo Encuentro” ceremony (Holy Encounter) is held on Maundy Thursday during Holy Week.