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GOLF’S GROWTH IN EUROPE

88 Years

of the EGA

composed of
49 member countries



50K

followers

across all
social channels



4.7M+

registered players

with 20M+ adults
playing golf in Europe



1'900+

Participants

in EGA Events



2.6M

pageviews

on www.ega-golf.ch

21

Events

coordinated
in 16 countries



27

European
Titles

awarded



6

International
Matches

contested

Cover photo: Two members of the winning Czech team at the 2025 European Boys' Team Championship
Back cover photo: Winning Continent of Europe team at the 2025 Junior Vagliano Trophy

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HONORARY PRESIDENTS

(PRESIDENT ELECTION YEAR)

1938	Col. Burton	(ENG)	1975	Arild Wahlstrom	(NOR)	2001	Manuel Agrellos	(POR)
1951	Cl. Van Der Straeten	(BEL)	1977	Juan Antonio Andreu	(ESP)	2003	Björn Nordberg	(SWE)
1953	Jacques L�glise	(FRA)	1979	Claude-Roger Cartier	(FRA)	2005	Andrew B. Morgan	(WAL)
1955	Max Lambert	(LUX)	1981	Alexander Sinclair	(SCO)	2007	Marion Thannh�user	(GER)
1957	Prince F. Ruspoli	(ITA)	1983	Richard Rahusen	(NED)	2009	Gonzaga Escauriaza	(ESP)
1959	W. Schniewind	(GER)	1985	Jens Wester-Andersen	(DEN)	2011	Antti Peltoniemi	(FIN)
1961	C. Falck	(SUI)	1987	Juan M.S. De Vicuna	(ESP)	2013	Colin Wood	(SCO)
1963	M. De Bolarque	(ESP)	1989	Neil Hotchkin	(ENG)	2015	Jean-Marc Mommer	(SUI)
1965	Edward Br�ndstr�m	(SWE)	1991	Jan Br�gelmann	(GER)	2017	Pierre Bechmann	(FRA)
1967	Gerald Micklem	(ENG)	1993	Roberto Livraghi	(ITA)	2019	Haukur �rn Birgisson	(ISL)
1969	Willem Snouck-Hurgronje	(NED)	1995	Ulf Laurin	(SWE)	2021	Jan Hubrecht	(ENG)
1971	Heinz O. Krings	(GER)	1997	Patrick Foley	(IRL)			
1973	Viscount Pereira Machado	(POR)	1999	Dieter Usner	(AUT)			

HONORARY MEMBERS

(MEMBER APPOINTMENT YEAR)

1993	Jean-Louis Dupont	(FRA)	2007	Lally Segard	(FRA)	2017	Alexis Godillot	(FRA)
1998	Marc Lambert	(LUX)	2011	John C. Storzjohann	(SUI)			

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



CAROLINE HUYSKES
PRESIDENT

Although the outside world has seen many challenges, my second year as President of the EGA has been relatively stable, with few unexpected developments. At the EGA, we were able to stage all our Championships and International Matches as scheduled and to focus on the strategic issues outlined in the EGA Strategy Plan 2023-2027. The greatest sorrow of the year, however, was the unexpected passing of our esteemed friend and Past President, Jan Hubrecht.

CHAMPIONSHIPS AND INTERNATIONAL MATCHES

In 2025, the EGA was responsible for a total of 33 titled competitions: 13 team championships, 12 individual tournaments, 2 club trophies, and 6 International Matches.

We are grateful to 15 Member Federations for their assistance and hospitality, especially Spain, France and Sweden for hosting two or more European Championships or matches during the season. We were also delighted that 40 countries participated in our team events, once again underlining both their importance and their success.

The Boys', Girls', Ladies' and Men's Team Championships in 2025 were played in generally good, though at times challenging, weather conditions. The standard of play was, once again, extremely high, with great sportsmanship shown both on and off the golf course. The winners of the Team Championships came from three different countries: Italy won the Men's Team Championship for the first time since 1999, while Spain excelled on the women's side, winning both the Ladies' and the Girls' Team Championships. A special mention also goes to the Czech Republic, who, for the first time in history, won a European Team Championship. As host of the Boys' Team Championship, they began by winning the qualification round, followed by three well-deserved victories in the A flight.

The second edition of the Mid-Amateur Men's & Ladies' Team Championships was hosted at Empordà Golf in Spain. Teams of four players (aged 25 and over) competed over four days in a mix of stroke

play and match play. Once again, the event proved to be a great success, with a high level of play and a wonderful atmosphere among players and teams. Competitors especially appreciated the mixed nature of the event.

Entries for the Senior Team Championships were once again oversubscribed, and therefore a Division 2 will be introduced in 2026.

Having staged more than twenty Championships and International Matches this year, I would like to congratulate not only all medal winners for their achievements but also all participants for making EGA events so special.

In 2025, we were less successful in the International Matches than in recent years. This does not diminish the excellent work of our Captains, who deserve recognition for their efforts. A big thank you to Myrte Eikenaar, Ane Urchegui García, Carlos de Corral, Joachim Fourquet and Pierre Relecom. They all made outstanding contributions, and I am sure their players benefited hugely from their personal experience and guidance. For the first time in EGA history, the Continent of Europe's team in the St Andrews Trophy included players from eight different nationalities, which highlights the strong representation throughout Europe.

As always, our objective is to further improve the preparation and staging of all EGA Championships and Matches. We look forward to working together with our members, their federation teams and hosting clubs to make 2026 another successful championship year.

Congratulations also go to Filip Jakubčík from the Czech Republic, who finished the season as Europe's top-ranked player. Filip made history by becoming the first Czech golfer to win the European Amateur Championship. On the women's side, congratulations to Paula Martín Sampedro from Spain, who claimed the number one spot on the European Ladies' leaderboard. Paula produced a stellar year, highlighted by victories at The Women's Amateur and the European Ladies' Amateur Championship.



2023 PATSY HANKINS TROPHY WINNERS - EUROPE

The fact that a golfing career can progress extremely quickly was illustrated by Lottie Woad of England, last year's top-ranked player. I had the privilege of serving as co-captain alongside Myrte in the two most recent editions of the Patsy Hankins Trophy, where Lottie was a team member. I was deeply impressed not only by her game, but also by her sportsmanship and character. A true ambassador for golf. Lottie played her last amateur event in June, as a member of the GB&I Vagliano Trophy team in the Netherlands. Since then, she has already won two professional events and has shown that she has the swing, mental toughness, and ability to perform under pressure. I am confident she has a long and successful career ahead and I very much look forward to seeing her play in next year's Solheim Cup!

OTHER CHAMPIONSHIP-RELATED MATTERS

Together with our members, in sub-committees and with stakeholders, we have dedicated a great deal of time to topics such as WAGR, Elite Amateur Pathways, the European Amateur Order of Merit, and WHS. For the EGA and its members, these are very important subjects, as they affect not only the future of elite amateur golfers but also, for example, how our members select their teams for EGA Championships and schedule their own national or international events.

SUSTAINABILITY

At the 2024 AGM Forum Sessions, an overview of activities was presented and the desired involvement of the EGA in environmental sustainability was once again endorsed by the members. Over the past year, we have put this plan into action. A full structure has been established, with a strategy group and three working groups. Around 20 representatives from a wide range of countries and stakeholders have joined these groups, contributing best practices, sharing knowledge, discussing alternatives, and making key

decisions, such as how to collect data. I would like to thank all involved for their exceptional commitment in this area.

Alicia Moulin, who has been seconded to the EGA from Swiss Golf in a part-time role, has brought energy and expertise to the project and has successfully coordinated the various working groups, ensuring that considerable progress has been made.

In the summer, the draft sustainability strategy for the coming years was shared with the members. The final version will be presented at the AGM.

In October 2025, the two-day Sustainability Forum took place in Germany with more than 40 experts in attendance. It was an excellent opportunity to share best practices and to discuss the draft strategy.

We greatly value our excellent cooperation with external partners GEO and BCW, and we are in discussion with The R&A on how best to shape our collaboration going forward.

Looking ahead, the issues of pesticides, water usage and biodiversity will require significant resources. We are grateful to all members for their contribution to the extraordinary sustainability fund, which enables us to take important steps in this area.

THE OFFICE TEAM

As always, the office team in Lausanne has done an excellent job over the past year. They continue to act as a cohesive and highly professional unit under the outstanding leadership of Michael Thannhäuser. His dedication and commitment remain invaluable, and it is a great pleasure to work closely with him and the team.

One of the key challenges this year has been the search for a new office location. Over the past twelve months, several options have been explored, and it now appears very likely that the EGA will move into new premises within the next six months. This process has required considerable attention, and I am confident that the outcome will provide the EGA with a modern and suitable working environment for the years ahead.

CONCLUSIONS

I would like to thank all members of the Executive Committee for their great support, constructive discussions and the very enjoyable time during the past year. Together, we have once again achieved a great deal.

The Championship staff and members of the Championship Committee continue to deliver high-quality championships with consistency and style. The long hours they work each day are essential to the successful staging of our events. The professionalism, enthusiasm and friendliness with which they carry out their work are greatly appreciated by hosting federations, golf clubs and players alike.

Similarly, the members of the Handicapping & Course Rating Committee have worked tirelessly to support our federations and to stay up to date with changes and developments. I would also like to thank our current and past committee members for their service on R&A advisory committees.

At this year's AGM we say farewell to five highly respected members of the Executive Committee. Yves has made invaluable contributions as Chairman of the Championship Committee and as the EGA's representative on the WAGR Committee. Hanna, as North Zone Officer, has strengthened unity within the Zone and has set a benchmark for how this role can be fulfilled. Miguel has guided the South Zone and was also instrumental in WAGR discussions.

Gabor has served actively as Central Zone Officer for the past four years. And of course, we remember with deep gratitude our Past President, Jan Hubrecht, who passed away in the summer. Jan played an essential role in many areas, especially with regard to hosting championships, in addition to leading the EGA from 2021 to 2023.

At the same time, we warmly welcome five new members to the Executive Committee and look forward to their contributions in the years to come.

We are very grateful to Rolex for their excellent and continued support. The EGA values this long-standing relationship and looks forward to further strengthening it. Our partnership with The R&A also remains of great importance, both through the International Matches between the Continent of Europe and GB&I and through support in many other areas, including WAGR, WHS, Rules of Golf and golf development initiatives. The quality of this cooperation is highly appreciated by the EGA and its members.

On a personal note, I would like to say how much I have enjoyed my two years as President of the EGA. It has been an honour to serve the organisation and to contribute to the game of golf, while meeting so many passionate people along the way. As my presidency concludes, I now look forward to serving as Past President for the next two years. The first of those years will be dedicated to shaping the new EGA Strategy Plan 2027–2031, a process in which we will actively involve our members. I am confident that together, with the same spirit of collaboration and passion for the game of golf, we will continue to strengthen and grow the EGA for the benefit of all our members and the future of the sport.

CAROLINE HUYSKES
PRESIDENT



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IN MEMORIAM



JAN HUBRECHT

This year, the European Golf Association said farewell to its Past President, Jan Hubrecht, who passed away peacefully in July after a period of illness.

Jan's dedication, leadership, and passion for the game left a lasting mark on the world of amateur golf in Europe. He was a knowledgeable ambassador in the golfing world and held numerous roles in golf administration at both the national and international level.

Jan served the EGA with extraordinary commitment over a span of 14 years, guiding the association in various key positions through a time of modernisation and strengthened collaboration among national federations. He began his service as a valued member of the Championship Committee and later represented the Great Britain & Ireland Zone in the EGA Executive Committee. His leadership culminated in the EGA Presidency roles, which he held for six years, where he provided steady judgement, continuity, and unity within the EGA community.

Jan's dedication to golf extended deeply into his home nation, where he maintained a close relationship with England Golf and helped advance the game at all levels. He strongly believed in the values of amateur golf and his influence was always consistent, thoughtful, and inclusive. He upheld his ideals through both his words and his actions.

Jan's contribution to golf extended far beyond titles or positions. What set him apart was not only his unwavering focus on the development of the amateur game but his genuine care for people. Jan had a gift for making others feel heard and appreciated, whether at a championship, a committee meeting, or in private conversation.

He brought a quiet strength and a steady presence that inspired trust and friendship throughout the golf community.

Caroline Huyskes, President of the EGA, paid tribute to Jan, saying: *"Jan was not only a highly respected leader but also a deeply kind and thoughtful person. His contributions to European amateur golf were immense, but what I will remember most is the way he treated people – with respect, care, and warmth. He made everyone feel welcome and appreciated. We miss him dearly."*

Jan will always be remembered for his generosity of spirit, his enthusiasm for golf, and the warmth he brought to every interaction. His legacy lives on in the many lives he touched, the initiatives he championed, and the spirit of collaboration he fostered across European golf. Our thoughts remain with Jan's family, his friends, and all those who had the privilege of knowing him.



GENERAL SECRETARY'S REPORT



MICHAEL THANNHÄUSER
EGA GENERAL SECRETARY

In the Netherlands, windmills are deeply rooted in national heritage. Windmills never stop turning, represent simplicity, and the ability to thrive, even in difficult times. They also carry rich cultural meanings, work with nature and symbolise smart problem-solving. Simply put, the continuous motion of a windmill is a symbol for resilience which compares well with the unwavering efforts of the EGA.

It is the collective of volunteers that pushes wind against the blades of the EGA windmill. One of these extraordinary individuals that made it spin was Jan Hubrecht who very sadly passed away this summer. Those of you who knew Jan personally will agree that his passion for the game and dedication to the EGA were second to none. I was immensely fortunate to share many precious moments with Jan which I will carry with me for a long time.

VALUABLE PLAYING OPPORTUNITIES

On a more positive note, 2025 will be remembered as the year where six courageous Czech boys won the country's first ever gold medal in a European team championship. It will be remembered as the year where Filip Jakubčík, also from the Czech Republic, won the European Amateur Championship title. And it will be remembered as the year where, quite remarkably, Paula Martín Sampedro won both the European Ladies' Amateur and The Women's Amateur Championship titles. Congratulations to all winners of EGA championships for their outstanding individual and team performances this season.

This year, the EGA was also heavily involved in the organisation of six International Matches. Playing the Bonallack and Patsy Hankins Trophies in Dubai at a new date in January proved to be a popular decision with the players and an overall success. In addition, all four matches between the Continent of Europe and Great Britain & Ireland were organised by the EGA as well as a friendly match between EGA and R&A officials. All events provided excellent playing opportunities for individuals to test themselves and were held in an excellent spirit of camaraderie.

The EGA office team was also actively involved in the development and running of the season-long qualifying ranking for the 2025 Junior Ryder Cup,

ensuring that European boys and girls had a clear pathway to showcase their talent on the global stage in September.

A COLLABORATIVE APPROACH

One significant initiative of the year has been the development of the European Amateur Order of Merit (EAOM) concept. The EAOM aims to increase the attractiveness of the European amateur calendar and offers meaningful development opportunities especially for those athletes that wish to compete in Europe. Featuring a dedicated series for both men and women as well as some of the leading amateur championships in Europe, the EAOM will be officially launched in 2026.

The concept was developed through extensive consultation, and we thank all member federations that participated actively in this bottom-up process. Your support has been encouraging, and a continued collaboration with and between members will be essential if we wish to deliver on all objectives and develop the EAOM into a cornerstone of elite amateur golf in Europe. Next year will serve as a pilot season, allowing us to gather valuable experience and refine the framework where needed.

ENVIRONMENTAL INITIATIVES

The EGA recognises the risks and opportunities connected with European regulation and acts as the representative body of golf towards the European Union. Highlighting the many benefits of golf in Europe has been a good starting point for ongoing, constructive dialogue with DG SANTE and other political stakeholders in Brussels. The results of these discussions are reflected in the new EGA Sustainability Strategy as well as the Sustainable Turfgrass Roadmap which were communicated to the golfing industry during the year.

The EGA Strategy now defines how the EGA will coordinate, support and represent its members' interests on sustainability issues in more detail. It comprises an action plan for the coming years, which includes various initiatives such as the development of a Knowledge & Innovation Hub, the annual Sustainable Golf Forum as well as a European advocacy event at the 2026 Solheim Cup.

The EGA Strategy will be up for approval at the AGM and, while the extraordinary budget mutualises costs between members, it should act as a supporting and connecting tool for national federations as we all work towards cohesion and greater effectiveness.

These EGA initiatives are built on the efforts of dedicated working groups which demand time and commitment. I would, therefore, like to extend a special thanks to our member federations' sustainability experts who are actively involved in this work, as well as to Alicia Moulin, GEO and BURSON for their meaningful inputs and guidance in different areas.

THE EGA PLATFORM

The EGA has continued to evolve into a platform where members, experts, and stakeholders come together to exchange ideas and address some of the common challenges. Acting as a connector between national federations and international partners, the EGA provides a unique space to help shape the development of European golf and to coordinate joint initiatives.

This year's highlights of collaboration included an excellent Sport Directors' Meeting in Lausanne, an online Summer Dialogue with broad member participation as well as the Sustainability Golf Forum in Frankfurt. The EGA also organised a WHS Calibration Seminar in Bogogno (Italy) in October, a handicapping webinar for developing golf nations in April and numerous working group sessions related to the ongoing efforts in sustainable golf. In addition, the AGM and its workshops provide members with regular opportunities to network and share expertise. The strong participation and positive feedback at all these events confirm that they can be considered an integral part of the EGA's mission.

It is good to see that the new EGA website adds to the overall experience of EGA members. The website aims to facilitate communication, and our analytics confirm that user figures and page views have improved, both throughout the year as well as during the peak months of the championship season. It seems that the introduction of a new 'look and feel' as well as a few added features have been well perceived.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The EGA's windmill does not turn without the wind of its staff members, volunteers, members, and partners. I would like to express my sincere gratitude to the EGA staff for their professionalism, dedication and positive spirit. Their commitment has been vital to the successful delivery of all the EGA's activities. My thanks also go to Rolex and our other partners for their continued support, which allows us to deliver on our ambitions.

Finally, I wish to thank the EGA President, the Executive Committee and all committee members for their constructive input and the joyful collaboration throughout the year. It is a pleasure to serve such a committed community, and I look forward to continuing our shared journey next year.

I wish all delegates a pleasant Annual General Meeting.

MICHAEL THANNHÄUSER
EGA GENERAL SECRETARY



Filip Jakubčík (CZE) - 2025 European Amateur Champion

EGA TIMELINE 2025

- 2024 AGM (Estoril)

NOVEMBER

JANUARY

- Bonallack & Patsy Hankins Trophies contested in the UAE
- Budget process for host venue selection
- Annual meeting with The R&A
- Start of the statistics data collection process
- European Amateur Order of Merit (EAOM) subcommittee meeting in Geneva

MARCH

- Deployment of the new website's functionalities (individual registrations, user profiles, statistics, automatic emails)
- 35 delegates from 21 countries attend EGA Sport Directors' Meeting in Lausanne
- European Amateur Order of Merit (EAOM) concept presented to sport directors in Lausanne
- Championship entries opened for record-breaking season with 33 different trophies at 21 events

MAY

- EGA Committee Meetings
- Start of the selection process for the VT & JVT (Netherlands), SAT (Spain) and JLT (Belgium)
- Championship equipment logistics
- Environmental Sustainability: ongoing work of the Strategy, Technical and Data Working Groups

JULY

- Over 500 players represent their countries during European Team Championship week
- Czech Republic wins first European team gold medal at the Boy's Team Championship
- 10 EGA championship titles awarded at 7 venues in July
- GB&I wins the St Andrews Trophy at Puerta de Hierro (Spain)
- 1.2 million pageviews recorded at www.ega-golf.ch

SEPTEMBER

- Closing of 2024/2025 Financial Year & budgeting process
- 2025 European Men's and Women's Amateur Golf Rankings medals awarded
- European Amateur Order of Merit (EAOM) Concept Brief finalised and circulated to EGA Members
- 2025 Annual Report prepared

DECEMBER

- 2024 EGA advent calendar published on social media
- Communication with 2025 hosts for preparation of the upcoming season
- Selection process for the Bonallack & Patsy Hankins Trophies finalised
- 2025 European Junior Ryder Cup qualifying ranking announced and prepared by the EGA

FEBRUARY

- February committee meetings (Lausanne)
- Trophies' refurbishment and engraving process
- General Secretaries' meeting in Austria
- Finalisation of 2025 championships' Terms of Competition
- Meeting with DG SANTE and other political stakeholders (Brussels)

APRIL

- Championship season preparations
- Video & content production plan finalised for 2025 EGA events
- Discussions with GolfBox on future collaboration and foreseen developments
- HCRC organises webinar for developing golf nations with 21 delegates from 14 countries

JUNE

- Start of the championship season
- EGA Summer Dialogue meeting welcomes 70 representatives from 38 countries
- EGA vs R&A Match contested during the Vagliano Trophies (Royal Hague G&CC)
- GB&I wins the Vagliano Trophy for the first time since 2005
- EGA Instagram account reaches 20k followers

AUGUST

- EGA Committee Meetings
- Environmental Sustainability: circulation of the EGA Sustainability Strategy and Sustainable Turfgrass Roadmap
- European Golf Participation Report published with 2024 estimates
- European Junior Ryder Cup Qualifying Ranking finalised
- Continent of Europe secure sixth consecutive Jacques Légise Trophy victory
- European Individual Championship for Golfers with Disability contested with new inclusive categories

OCTOBER

- WHS / EGA European Course Rating Seminar
- 50th Anniversary of the European Men's Club Trophy
- Sustainable Golf Forum (Frankfurt)
- End of the championship season
- 2025 AGM preparations (Soestduinen)



Giovanni Binaghi (ITA) at the 2025 Jacques Légise Trophy



EUROPEAN GIRLS' TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS - **SPAIN**



EUROPEAN AMATEUR TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP, DIVISION 2 WINNERS - **BELGIUM**



EUROPEAN AMATEUR TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS - **ITALY**



EUROPEAN BOYS' TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS - **CZECH REPUBLIC**

CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT



YVES HOFSTETTER
CC CHAIRMAN

In 2025, 21 events were played, which kept the Championship Committee quite busy as usual. More than 1'950 players participated in various events.

In a change to the usual order of presentation, in this report we will detail the results starting with the International Matches and then the European Championships by age group.

INTERNATIONAL MATCHES

In 2025, all 6 international matches were played, 4 of which on continental soil.

The season started with the Bonallack and Patsy Hankins Trophies, January 8-10, in Al Hamra Golf Club, United Arab Emirates. Both were won by Asia-Pacific, 21-11 in the Patsy Hankins and 16.5-15.5 in the Bonallack Trophy. Thanks to the selection of a better date, all of the best players were able to attend, making this edition a success.



BONALLACK & PATSY HANKINS TROPHIES
WINNERS: **ASIA-PACIFIC**

June 27-28, the Royal Hague Golf and Country Club, Netherlands, hosted the Vagliano and Junior Vagliano Trophies. After 8 straight victories for the Continent of Europe, GB&I finally managed to get their hands on the Vagliano Trophy, for the first time since 2005, with a narrow 12.5 to 11.5 victory.



VAGLIANO TROPHY WINNERS:
GREAT BRITAIN & IRELAND

In the Junior Vagliano, the Continent of Europe won 11.5 - 6.5, regaining the trophy.



JUNIOR VAGLIANO TROPHY WINNERS:
CONTINENT OF EUROPE

July 24-25, the St Andrews Trophy was played in Madrid, Spain, at the Real Club de la Puerta de Hierro. GB&I beat the Continent of Europe with a strong victory of 16.5 to 8.5.



ST ANDREWS TROPHY WINNERS:
GREAT BRITAIN & IRELAND

Finally, the Royal Golf Club of Belgium hosted the Jacques Léglise Trophy on August 22-23. The Continent of Europe defeated GB&I 15 to 10.



JACQUES LÉGLISE TROPHY WINNERS:
CONTINENT OF EUROPE

Heartfelt thanks to all European Captains for their dedication and great work, Myrte Eikenaar, Joachim Fourquet, Ane Urchegui García, Carlos de Corral and Pierre Relecom.

YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS

The European Young Masters is the competition for the youngest age class, namely 16 and under, played individually and by teams of 4. It was hosted by Racing Club de France in Paris. Štěpán Plasek (Czech Republic) and Ellie Lichtenhein (England) won the individual trophies.



EUROPEAN YOUNG MASTERS CHAMPIONS
ELLIE LICHTENHEIN & ŠTĚPÁN PASEK

In the Nations' Cup Germany won the trophy.



EYM NATION'S CUP CHAMPIONS
GERMANY

In the 18 and Under category, the European Girls' Team Championship was played in Slaley Hall, England, July 8-12. In the final, Spain beat Italy 4.5 to 2.5, Ireland claiming the bronze medal.



EUROPEAN GIRLS' TEAM CHAMPIONS
SPAIN

The European Boys' Team Championship (Jean-Louis Dupont Trophy) was played at Golf Resort Kaskáda Brno in the Czech Republic. In the final, the Czech Republic beat France claiming their first ever European team gold medal, Sweden took the bronze medal.



EUROPEAN BOYS' TEAM CHAMPIONS
CZECH REPUBLIC

The European Boys' Team Championship, Division 2, was played in Zala Springs Golf Resort in Hungary, July 8-12 and saw Italy beat Spain in the final. Iceland defeated Poland in the match for third place to clinch the last promotion spot to next year's Division 1.



EUROPEAN BOYS' TEAM, DIV 2 CHAMPIONS
ITALY

AMATEURS AND LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIPS

All championships having no age requirement are in this category.

August 28-30, Bokskogens Golfklubb in Sweden hosted the European Championship for Golfers with Disability. The Standing Category was won by Frederik Brokfelt-Christiansen (Denmark), the Seated Category by Richard Kluwen (The Netherlands), the Intellectual Category by Casper Holst-Christensen (Denmark) and the Visual Category by Barry McCluskey (Scotland).



FREDERIK BROKFELT-CHRISTIANSEN

RICHARD KLUWEN

CASPER HOLST-CHRISTENSEN

BARRY MCCLUSKEY

The European Ladies' Amateur Championship took place in Frankfurter Golf Club in Germany, July 23-26. It was dominated by Spain who won all 3 medals, the winner being Paula Martín Sampedro, the silver medal going to Balma Dávalos Guaita and the bronze medal to Andrea Revuelta.



EUROPEAN LADIES' AMATEUR CHAMPION
PAULA MARTÍN SAMPEDRO

In the European Ladies' Team Championship played in Golf de Chantilly, France, July 8-12, Spain beat France in the final and the bronze medal went to Germany.



Luxembourg beat Turkey in the final of the European Ladies' Team Shield in Pravets Golf Club, Bulgaria, July 30 to August 2.



The European Ladies' Club Trophy took place in Green Resort Hrubá Borša, Slovakia October 2-4 and was won by Golf Club Sankt Leon-Rot (Germany).



The European Amateur Championship was played in Vasatorps Golfklubb, Sweden, June 25-28. Filip Jakubčík (Czech Republic) won the gold medal, Kristian Bressum (Denmark) the silver and Sakke Siltala (Finland) the bronze.



Killarney Golf & Fishing Club (Ireland) hosted the European Amateur Team Championship, July 8-12. Italy beat Denmark in the final and England took the bronze medal.



The European Amateur Team Championship, Division 2 was played in Zala Springs Golf Resort in Hungary and the trophy was won by Belgium, defeating Wales in the final.



Greece won the European Men's Team Shield in Pravets Golf Club, Bulgaria, July 30- August 2, defeating Andorra in the final.



The European Men's Club Trophy will take place in Cabot Bordeaux, France, October 23-25, after the deadline for the publication of this report.

MID-AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIPS

This 25+ category saw two events contested, individual and team, both for men and ladies.

The individual championships were played in Quinta do Peru Golf and Country Club in Portugal, June 5-7. Jessica Ross (Ireland) won the ladies' title following a play-off and Christoph Kogl (Austria) won the men's title.



The European Mid-Am Team Championships were played in Empordà Golf Club, Spain, September 10-13. The men's final was won by Spain, defeating Germany.



The ladies' final was won by France, also defeating Germany. In both championships, Ireland took the bronze medal. It must be noted that Spain and France claimed the titles for the second year in a row.



SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

Like the Mid-Amateurs, the Seniors (50+) have two events.

The European Individual Seniors Championships took place in Cornelia Golf Club, Turkey, June 12-14. Sylvie Van Molle (Belgium) won the ladies' title and Rodrigo Lacerda Soares (France) the men's title for the second year in a row.



The European Senior Ladies' Team Championship was played in Pula Golf Resort, Spain, and was won by England defeating Sweden in the final, France taking the bronze medal.



The European Senior Men's Team Championship was held at the Diamond Country Club in Austria, September 2-6. Ireland beat France in the final and Denmark took the bronze medal.



FINAL CONSIDERATIONS

As is now quite common, a few championships were impacted by bad weather (rain and thunderstorms) and formats had to be slightly modified. Globally, every federation did a very good job in organising these events with the help of the Championship Committee and they must be warmly thanked for that.

At the end of my term as Chairman of the EGA Championship Committee, I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to you all. You have provided me with four fantastic years of sporting and exciting events that I will never forget.

My thanks go also to the EGA Staff for their exceptional backing, as well as to the EGA Championship Committee Members for their support and dedication; I have made many good friends. I also wish to thank our President and the entire Executive Committee for their support as well as for the excellent atmosphere to be found in their midst.

Long live the EGA !

YVES HOFSTETTER
CC CHAIRMAN

EUROPEAN TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS				
DATE	EVENT	VENUE	WINNER	RUNNER-UP
JUL	8-12 Ladies' Team	Golf de Chantilly (FRA)	SPAIN	FRANCE
	Amateur Team	Killarney G&FC (IRL)	ITALY	DENMARK
	Girls' Team	Slaley Hall (ENG)	SPAIN	ITALY
	Boys' Team	GR Kaskáda Brno (CZE)	CZECH REPUBLIC	FRANCE
	Amateur Team, Division 2	Zala Springs GR (HUN)	BELGIUM	WALES
	Boys' Team, Division 2		ITALY	SPAIN
SEP	30/07-02/08 Ladies' Team Shield	Pravets Golf Club (BUL)	LUXEMBOURG	TURKEY
	Men's Team Shield		GREECE	ANDORRA
	02-06 Senior Ladies' Team	Pula Golf Resort (ESP)	ENGLAND	SWEDEN
	Senior Men's Team	Diamond CC (AUT)	IRELAND	FRANCE
	10-13 Mid-Amateur Ladies' Team	Empordà Golf (ESP)	FRANCE	GERMANY
	Mid-Amateur Men's Team		SPAIN	GERMANY
OCT	02-04 Ladies' Club Trophy	GR Hrubá Borša (SVK)	GC SANKT LEON-ROT (GER)	SMØRUM GOLFKLUB (DEN)
	23-25 Men's Club Trophy	Cabot Bordeaux (FRA)	TBC	TBC

EUROPEAN INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS				
DATE	EVENT	VENUE	WINNER	RUNNER-UP
JUN	05-07 Mid-Amateur Ladies'	Quinta do Peru G&CC (POR)	JESSICA ROSS (IRL)	AIDEEN WALSH (IRL)
	Mid-Amateur Men's		CHRISTOPH KOGL (AUT)	MATTIAS VARJUN (EST)
	12-14 Senior Ladies'	Cornelia GC (TUR)	SYLVIE VAN MOLLE (BEL)	HÉLÈNE MALVY (FRA)
	Senior Men's		RODRIGO LACERDA SOARES (FRA)	RICHARD HEATH (AUS)
JUL	25-28 Men's	Vasatorps GK (SWE)	FILIP JAKUBČÍK (CZE)	KRISTIAN BRESSUM (DEN)
	23-26 Ladies'	Frankfurter GC (GER)	PAULA MARTÍN SAMPEDRO (ESP)	BALMA DAVALOS GUAITA (ESP)
	EYM Girls'	RCF La Boulie (FRA)	ELLIE LICHTENHEIN (ENG)	AXELLE GUILLEMARD (FRA)
	EYM Boys'		ŠTĚPÁN PLASEK (CZE)	COLIN BARMANN (GER)
AUG	EYM Nations' Cup		GERMANY	FRANCE
	28-30 ECGD Standing	Bokskogens GK (SWE)	FREDERIK BROKFELT-CHRISTIANSEN (DEN)	GUSTAV ANDERSSON (SWE)
	ECGD Seated		RICHARD KLUWEN (NED)	GRAHAM FREEMAN (BEL)
	ECGD Intellectual		CASPER HOLST-CHRISTENSEN (DEN)	STEVEN ALDERSON (AUS)
	ECGD Visual		BARRY MCCLUSKEY (SCO)	MARC OLLER ASTORT (ESP)

INTERNATIONAL MATCHES				
DATE	EVENT	VENUE	WINNER	RESULT
JAN	Bonallack Trophy	Al Hamra GC (UAE)	ASIA-PACIFIC	16.5 - 15.5
	Patsy Hankins Trophy		ASIA-PACIFIC	21 - 11
JUN	Vagliano Trophy	Royal Hague G&CC (NED)	GREAT BRITAIN & IRELAND	12.5 - 11.5
	Junior Vagliano Trophy		CONTINENT OF EUROPE	11.5 - 6.5
JUL	St Andrews Trophy	Real Club de la Puerta de Hierro (ESP)	GREAT BRITAIN & IRELAND	16.5 - 8.5
AUG	Jacques Léglise Trophy	Royal GC of Belgium (BEL)	CONTINENT OF EUROPE	15 - 10

The final 2025 European rankings, which extract European players from the World Amateur Golf Ranking (WAGR), were taken the day before the start of the DP World Tour Qualifying School on 26 August :

EUROPEAN WOMEN'S AMATEUR GOLF RANKING



ANDREA REVUELTA





PAULA MARTÍN SAMPEDRO





MEJA ÖRTENGREN



EUROPEAN MEN'S AMATEUR GOLF RANKING



TYLER WEAVER





FILIP JAKUBČÍK





GUNNLAUGUR ÁRNI SVEINSSON



A special thanks to The R&A/USGA WAGR Committee for their work with the rankings.



VAGLIANO TROPHY WINNERS - **GREAT BRITAIN & IRELAND**

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EUROPEAN MEN'S TEAM SHIELD CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS - **GREECE**



EUROPEAN SENIOR LADIES' TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS - **ENGLAND**



EUROPEAN LADIES' CLUB TROPHY WINNERS - **GC SANKT LEON-ROT (GER)**

2026 EGA EVENTS CALENDAR

JUN 04-06	EUROPEAN MID-AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIPS  Quinta do Peru G&CC  Portugal  Ladies & Men  Individual	
JUN 11-13	EUROPEAN SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS  Eléa GC  Cyprus  Ladies & Men  Individual	
JUN 24-27	EUROPEAN AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP  Linna Golf  Finland  Men  Individual	
JUL 07-11	EUROPEAN LADIES' TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP  PGA Nat. Slieve Russell  Ireland  Ladies  Team	
JUL 07-11	EUROPEAN GIRLS' TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP  G&CC Zürich  Switzerland  Girls  Team	
JUL 07-11	EUROPEAN AMATEUR TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP  Estonian G&CC  Estonia  Men  Team	
JUL 07-11	EUROPEAN BOYS' TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP (Jean-Louis Dupont Trophy)  Barceló Montecastillo Golf  Spain  Boys  Team	
JUL 07-11	EUROPEAN AMATEUR & BOYS' TEAM C'SHIP, DIV. 2  Costa Navarino  Greece  Men & Boys  Team	
JUL TBA	EUROPEAN TEAM C'SHIP FOR GOLFERS WITH DISABILITY  TBA  TBA  Ladies & Men  Team	

JUL 22-25	EUROPEAN LADIES' AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP  Allerum Golfklubb  Sweden  Ladies  Individual	
JUL 23-25	EUROPEAN YOUNG MASTERS  Parador de El Saler  Spain  Girls & Boys  Individual	
JUL/AUG 29/07 01/08	EUROPEAN TEAM SHIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS  Royal Malta GC  Malta  Ladies & Men  Team	
AUG 21-22	JUNIOR VAGLIANO & JACQUES LÉGLISE TROPHIES  The Island GC  Ireland  Girls & Boys  Int'l Match	
SEP 01-05	EUROPEAN SENIOR LADIES' TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP  BlackSeaRama GR&V  Bulgaria  Ladies  Team	
SEP 01-05	EUROPEAN SENIOR MEN'S TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP  Cabot Bordeaux  France  Men  Team	
SEP 03-05	EUROPEAN SENIORS' TEAM C'SHIP, DIVISION 2  TBA  TBA  Ladies & Men  Team	
SEP 09-12	EUROPEAN MID-AMATEUR TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS  Föhrenwald GC  Austria  Ladies & Men  Team	
OCT 01-03	EUROPEAN LADIES' CLUB TROPHY  Hamburger GC Falkenstein  Germany  Ladies  Team	
OCT 22-24	EUROPEAN MEN'S CLUB TROPHY  Cabot Bordeaux  France  Men  Team	

HANDICAPPING & COURSE RATING COMMITTEE REPORT



JAN VISSER
HCRC CHAIRMAN

COMMITTEE

In 2025, the composition of the Handicapping and Course Rating Committee (HCRC) remained the same. The HCRC officially met three times in February, May and August. These meetings were full of interesting discussions on how to improve the system and the implementation in our member states. They were well attended, with occasionally guests joining from the United Kingdom, Anne Mahon and the Course Rating sub-committee, Ana Gabin. The minutes are available on the EGA website. Additionally, a meeting is scheduled for Saturday the 22nd of November following the AGM. Before each meeting the representatives of the zones reach out to the various national associations to collect questions and points of concern that they would like us to discuss and possibly bring forward as considerations for any future update to the WHS.

HANDICAP OPERATIONS COMMITTEE (HOC)

In March, Nick Hüttel and I attended the HOC meeting where again, we provided a lot of input on the topics being discussed for implementation in the next revision of the Rules of Handicapping. At this meeting and in detail after our May meeting, we provided input regarding wishes for the central WHS calculation software that will be developed. In this way, we try to ensure that many countries will find the software to fit their needs. Furthermore, the October online meeting was attended by Nick Hüttel and, in part, by myself.

WHS OPERATION

The 1st of January 2024, an update of the Rules of Handicapping came into effect. The majority of the federations have the system operational. Some federations run the system with minor deviations, mostly due to software limitations. They need more time to adapt their software to fully comply.

SUB-LICENCE AGREEMENT

Representing the EGA, the General Secretary, Michael Thannhäuser, Honorary President Haukur Örn Birgisson and I continued our meetings with The R&A regarding the wider framework of the EGA sub-license agreement. The legal aspects are being investigated under European law.

SHORT COURSE SYSTEM UPDATE

With the introduction of the 2024 Rules of Handicapping, the minimum length for a course to be eligible for handicapping purposes was reduced to 1'500 yards. It became apparent in the spring of 2024 that the rating calculations for female bogey players did not function properly. Finally, in the spring of 2025, this issue was resolved and course ratings could be put into operation for these short courses.

Still, as there is a limited amount of data available especially for female bogey players, it remains of paramount importance to continue to share data with The R&A for further improvement of the system.

INTEROPERABILITY→CROSS-BORDER-CONNECTIVITY

The Cross-Border-Connectivity (CBC), formerly known as the Interoperability system, is still not operational across different software suppliers. Once the first supplier has made a full connection to the worldwide hub and the documentation has been finalised with the experience from the commissioning process, two EGA countries have committed to work together in connecting to the hub and exchanging course data. Their experience will be shared with EGA members to facilitate the connection of other federations to the system.

It remains necessary that all the software suppliers servicing our federations are accredited according to the 2024 Rules of Handicapping so that they can connect to the system for the benefit of the players who enjoy playing courses across the EGA territory.

The EGA strongly supports the Cross-Border-Connectivity system as many players have voiced their desire to see the "World" in WHS become a reality. They want access to foreign course data in their local app on their phone when playing abroad to easily submit scores. Entering competitions in other countries would then simply be done by providing their national golf-ID to the hosting club, after which their score could automatically be sent to their local database.

COURSE RATING CALIBRATION SEMINAR

In early October 2025, a Course Rating Calibration Seminar was held at Bogogno Golf Resort near Milan in Italy. The support of both the Italian Golf Federation and the staff at Bogogno was excellent and much appreciated.

There were over 70 participants. The majority were experienced, but there were also raters at the beginning of their career. The latter group started with a special session dedicated to giving them expert support on the course.

This year, everyone had to go through an e-learning course in preparation for the on-site activities. The experienced raters were required to pass an online examination. As opposed to the last seminar, this time the raters had to fill out the forms individually. Based on the results, the raters were assigned to three groups to ensure that each individual would get the best learning experience.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

My appreciation goes out to my fellow HCRC members for their efforts during 2025. Our guests, Anne Mahon from Golf Ireland and Ana Gabin from Portugal, a member of the Course Rating Sub-committee, joined the majority of our meetings adding their insights to our discussions in a very useful and constructive manner.

The support of the EGA office in many of our tasks, but especially in organising the Course Rating Calibration Seminar, is much appreciated.

LOOKING FORWARD

The expectation is that in 2026, the first countries will finally start to provide course data from their national database to visiting players. These players will use their own national app to submit hole-by-hole scores using the local course data provided. The information will be exchanged between federations when both are confirmed to be connected to the WHS Cross-Border-Connectivity hub. This will be a major step in the implementation of the WHS.

JAN VISSER
HCRC CHAIRMAN





BENOIT DUMONT
EGA HONORARY TREASURER

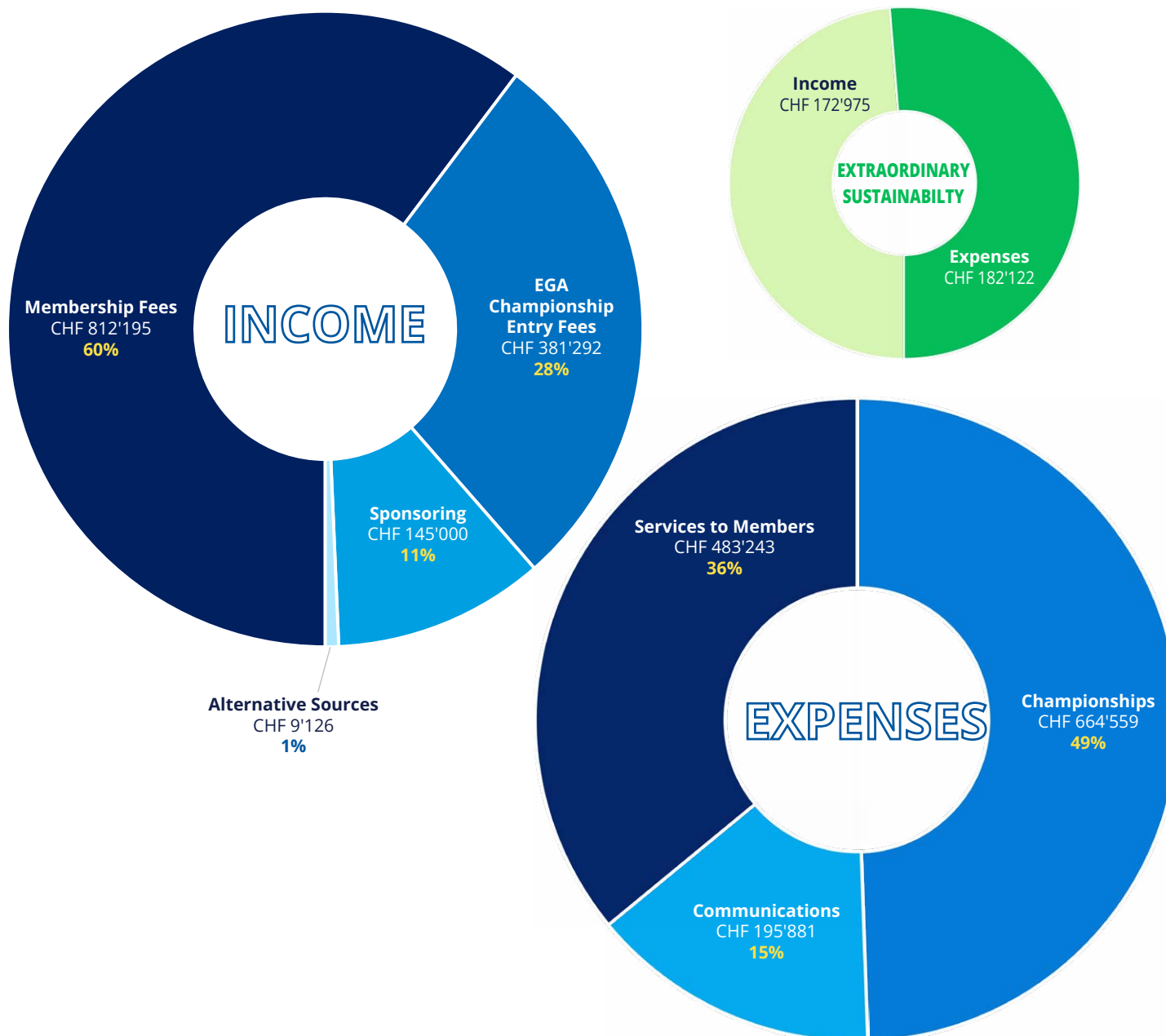
The overall budget structure remains broadly consistent with last year. On the income side, membership fees and championship entry fees continue to represent the EGA's main revenue sources, complemented by sponsorships and other income.

On the expenditure side, championships and services to members remain the main cost areas, reflecting the EGA's continued commitment to organising quality events and providing strong support to its members.

Communications continue to be an important investment, enhancing the EGA's visibility and engagement with stakeholders.

The extraordinary sustainability income, again almost entirely funded by EGA members, was primarily used for consulting, service providers, and operational costs.

Overall, the figures demonstrate a stable and balanced financial position, ensuring that resources are managed efficiently while maintaining focus on the EGA's core objectives.



Foremost, a big thank you to Achim Battermann for helping me take over the EGA Honorary Treasurer role. His support made the transition smooth and efficient.

2025 delivered a small operating surplus of CHF 3'930 through revenues increasing by 1,6% and expenses by 2,5%.

This positive result compares to the budgeted deficit of CHF -13'701 approved at last year's AGM.

Membership fees contributed 60% and championship fees 28% to income. Attendance to most of our championships received the usual strong level of entries. We also continued to benefit from the highly appreciated sponsorship of Rolex.

Diligent expense management led to well controlled total costs of CHF 1'525'805 up only 2,5%, including environmental sustainability expenses, in a year of intense activity for the staff, the committees and all the volunteers supporting the EGA.

2025 featured a record 6 International Matches and 27 championships, the launch of the pilot European Amateur Order of Merit (EAOM) concept as well as significant progress on our sustainability priorities.

The Finance Commission has traditionally maintained a conservative and disciplined budgeting to shield the EGA as much as possible from bad surprises and ensure that it maintains a sustainable and sound financial position.

BUDGET 2025/2026

The proposed 2026 budget projects a deficit of CHF 15'060, which, if realised, would be easily absorbed by our strong balance sheet.

We believe that the ever-expanding activities and services to our membership will require some reinforcement of staff in 2026. The move of the Swiss Golf offices to Bern will suppress the historical synergies of having the EGA offices in the same building in Epalinges. We therefore hope to move location by year end to benefit from a more modern, larger space and leverage the proximity to many international sports federations. Our new rent and occupancy costs would, however, increase to levels in line with current market conditions.

The proposed 4% membership fee increase reflects the overall rise in operating costs and the projected EU inflation rate of 2.5%, while also considering that fewer International Matches are scheduled in 2026.

As reported separately, the activities on our environmental sustainability agenda resulted in an overrun on our budget of CHF 9'147. We however believe it is important to maintain the momentum and accelerate the coordination of efforts for global cost efficiency, while also increasing our communication with the policy stakeholders. We shall therefore, for now, maintain a separate account for the extraordinary sustainability budget. The details of the extraordinary sustainability budget applicable in 2026 will be discussed and presented for approval at the AGM in the Netherlands.

In closing, I would like to address a special thank you to Sabine Vega and our accountants and auditors from MSR for their support and valuable contribution.

BENOIT DUMONT
EGA HONORARY TREASURER

NOTES ON ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF PREPARATION

The financial statements of the Association have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of commercial accounting as set out in the Swiss Code of Obligations (Art. 957 to 963b CO). They are presented in Swiss Francs (CHF), being the functional currency of the Association.

CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents represent cash on hand or on deposit with banks.

REVENUE

The financial statements are prepared on the accrual basis; thus, income and expenses are accounted for when they are acquired or engaged and not at the date of payment and are registered into the books of accounts accordingly.

FOREIGN CURRENCIES

Transactions during the period in currencies other than CHF have been translated into CHF at the appropriate rates ruling at the time. Liabilities and current assets in other currencies at the final position date have been translated into CHF at rates ruling on that date. All resultant exchange differences have been dealt with through the income statement.



Report of the statutory auditor
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As statutory auditor, we have examined the financial statements (balance sheet, income statement and notes) of EUROPEAN GOLF ASSOCIATION for the financial year ended 30 September 2025.

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Executive Committee. Our responsibility is to perform a limited statutory examination on these financial statements. We confirm that we meet the licensing and independence requirements as stipulated by Swiss law. An employee of our company assisted in the bookkeeping during the reporting year. This individual was not involved in the limited statutory examination

We conducted our examination in accordance with the Swiss Standard on the Limited Statutory Examination. This standard requires that we plan and perform a limited statutory examination to identify material misstatements in the financial statements. A limited statutory examination consists primarily of inquiries of company personnel and analytical procedures as well as detailed tests of company documents as considered necessary in the circumstances. However, the testing of operational processes and the internal control system, as well as inquiries and further testing procedures to detect fraud or other legal violations, are not within the scope of this examination.

Based on our limited statutory examination, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the financial statements do not comply with Swiss law and the association's articles of incorporation.

Nyon, 9 October 2025

MOORE STEPHENS REFIDAR SA


Déborah Dépraz
Audit licensed expert
Auditor in charge


Jacques Grossen
Audit licensed expert

Enclosure : Financial statements (balance sheet, income statement and notes)

ASSETS	Note	on 30.09.2023	on 30.09.2024	on 30.09.2025
Cash in Bank		777'393	585'292	1'266'558
Saferpay current account		1'500	-	-
Receivables	1	7'339	64'561	67'380
Prepaid Expenses/Guarantee Deposit		609	2'210	2'356
Property and Equipment	2	19'185	10'474	7'234
Website		1	1	1
Long-term deposit		601'907	755'000	-
Total Assets		1'407'934	1'417'538	1'343'529

LIABILITIES				
Saferpay Current Account		-	(4'253)	-
Creditors & Short Term Accruals		(212'129)	(235'015)	(161'329)
Long Term Accruals	3	(200'542)	(160'542)	(160'542)
Total Liabilities		(412'671)	(399'810)	(321'871)
Net Assets		995'263	1'017'728	1'021'658

RESERVES				
Balance at the Start of the Year		970'292	995'263	1'017'728
Surplus/(Deficit) of the Year		24'971	22'465	3'930
Balance at the End of the Year		995'263	1'017'728	1'021'658
TOTAL RESERVES		995'263	1'017'728	1'021'658

NOTES ON BALANCE SHEET

1. RECEIVABLES				
Miscellaneous (short term income)		7'339	64'561	67'380
		7'339	64'561	67'380
2. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT				
Furniture		15'555	9'665	3'776
Computer and IT		3'630	809	3'458
		19'185	10'474	7'234
3. LONG TERM ACCRUALS				
Reserve International Matches (BT/PHT)		100'000	100'000	100'000
Reserve Various		60'542	60'542	60'542
Reserve - Website development		40'000	-	-
		200'542	160'542	160'542

R&A AMATEUR STATUS COMMITTEE REPORT



BRIAN FLEMING
CHAIRMAN, AMATEUR
STATUS COMMITTEE

The Amateur Status Committee has convened twice this year and continues to monitor the Rules and how they perform within the modern game.

A particular focus of the Committee this year has been to raise awareness of the approved programme opportunity. The exception to the Instruction Rule (Rule 4) allows amateur golfers to give instruction for payment as part of a programme that has been approved in advance by the national governing body.

The intention of this exception is to encourage amateur golfer involvement in programmes aimed at introducing people to golf, and it is particularly important where there are insufficient PGA professionals to cater for the demand at the introductory level. The exception allows amateurs to be paid or compensated for their involvement as part of such a programme.

The changes to the Rules in 2022 continue to support elite amateur golfers to fund their development in terms of the support they can receive from sponsors, helping to delay the need to turn professional early. Equally, the Rules now provide an easier pathway back to the amateur game.

In terms of prizes, the Amateur Status Committee is considering simplifying the Prize Rule relating to cash prizes in scratch competitions to make it easier for competition organisers to understand when such prizes are permissible.

I would like to thank the EGA representatives for their invaluable contribution to the work of the Amateur Status Committee.



BRIAN FLEMING
CHAIRMAN, AMATEUR STATUS COMMITTEE



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R&A RULES OF GOLF COMMITTEE REPORT



ROGER BATHURST
CHAIRMAN, RULES
OF GOLF COMMITTEE

The Rules of Golf Committee continues to monitor and prepare revisions to the Rules with a focus on ensuring the Rules remain modern and relevant for golfers of all levels in the sport.

During 2025, the decision was taken to publish the next edition of the Rules of Golf on 1 January 2028, which is a year later than the traditional four-year Rules cycle. This extension of a year will allow for the Rules of Golf to be published in parallel with the next edition of the Rules of Handicapping, which is beneficial in terms of ensuring consistency between both sets of Rules. It will also coincide with the introduction of the new test for golf balls that comes into effect at the same time.

Providing the Rules in digital formats continues to go from strength to strength. Facilitating wider access to the Rules in a more sustainable way, the Rules of Golf app has now been downloaded over 2.1 million times (outside of the USA). The R&A's online Rules Academy is now available in 10 languages and this year alone, has witnessed over 10'000 new users. This entry level to the Rules is a key tool in ensuring the accessibility and understanding of the Rules.

Throughout 2025, we have been sharing with national federations statistical information on app downloads and Rules Academy.

The aim of this update is to help national federations assess how to target and promote the Rules to golfers and track progress. This information has been welcomed by many and there have been impressive initiatives to encourage awareness of the Rules as a result.

Rules education continues at a pace and this year, saw many of the EGA countries represented at the Level 3 Tournament Administrators and Referees Seminar in St Andrews. This year also saw the launch of the new Level 1 and Level 2 Rules education materials. Over 100 instructors, many of whom are based in Europe, took part in a R&A training course in June to introduce them to the new materials. Working in partnership with national federation instructors, we are striving to deliver the best educational experience for both participants and educators. With plans for an online Level 2 programme now in motion, this will add to our suite of resources for Rules and referee education.

I would like to thank the EGA representatives for their invaluable contribution to the work of the Rules of Golf Committee.



ROGER BATHURST
CHAIRMAN, RULES OF GOLF COMMITTEE

R&A SUSTAINABLE GOLF COMMITTEE REPORT



DANIEL LIGHTFOOT
DIRECTOR, SUSTAINABLE GOLF

2025 has been a landmark year for R&A Sustainable Golf, marked by significant progress, innovation, and expansion. The department has gone from strength to strength, with new developments across agronomy, research, education and sustainable management. With strong support from The R&A, the team has grown substantially, adding new roles in sustainability, best practice, agronomy, and golf course design and construction. This expansion reflects our commitment to ensuring a sustainable and positive future for the game.

CHAMPIONSHIP AGRONOMY

Under the leadership of Richard Windows and Adam Newton, the Championship Agronomy team has delivered outstanding results despite challenging weather conditions. The 153rd Open Championship at Royal Portrush was a resounding success, with Graham Beatt and his team presenting exceptional playing surfaces that provided a true test for the world's best golfers.

At Royal Porthcawl, Ian Kinley and his team set a new benchmark at the AIG Women's Open. For the first time at a major championship, all fairways were maintained using autonomous mowers. This innovation not only delivered superb surfaces and reduced the usage of fossil fuels but allowed the Porthcawl greenkeeping team to focus on fine-tuning course presentation, enhancing the overall agronomic delivery.

The Amateur Championship held at Royal St George's showcased superb course management, with the fine turf greens at Royal St George's on the opening morning standing out as a particular highlight. After more than 30 years working in the golf industry, I remain convinced that nothing compares to the thrill of stepping onto a golf course at sunrise, ready for an exciting day of play.

Stefen Carter, formerly Head Greenkeeper at Wentworth's West Course, has joined the Championship Agronomy team and the key focus this year has been expanding data collection to inform agronomic decisions and provide best practice advice. The use of the USGA GS3 tool

and the introduction clipping yield data across all championships has enabled world-class surface delivery while contributing valuable insights to the wider turfgrass industry.

SUSTAINABLE AGRONOMY SERVICE

The Sustainable Agronomy Service continues to expand its global footprint, supporting golf courses across the UK, Europe, and Asia-Pacific. With the addition of Jaey Goodchild (UK), Hector Forcen (EU), and Dr Brett Morris (APAC), the Sustainable Agronomy team has provided on-site guidance to a growing portfolio of over 200 golf courses.

Beyond site visits, our agronomists have shared their expertise through lectures, articles, and conferences, helping turfgrass managers worldwide adopt sustainable practices. Communication of research, education, and experience remains a priority, ensuring our knowledge reaches as many turfgrass professionals as possible.

Our partnership with SURTEC Agronomy has been successful, fostering collaboration to deliver best practice advice and drive sustainability in Europe and Asia Pacific.

R&A RESEARCH AND GOLF COURSE 2030

In 2025, research efforts have also seen considerable progress. The R&A extends its gratitude to the European federations, supported through GC2030 funding, for their project submissions. Many of these initiatives, led by Swiss Golf, Royal Netherlands Golf Federation, AFGolf, Royal Spanish Golf Federation, Italian Golf Federation, FFGolf, and STERF for the Nordic countries, are already delivering results this year, particularly in areas such as integrated turf management (ITM), water management, and biodiversity.

Our partnership with the USGA and STERF have yielded promising progress, with our joint investment initiating global studies on water management, integrated pest management (IPM), and biodiversity. The first tranche of funded projects was presented at the ITRC Conference in Japan ahead of The Open, signalling a new era of collaborative research.

The Golf and Nature Study, supported by Golf Course 2030, continues to demonstrate golf's positive impact on biodiversity, communities, and climate. With Year 1 and Year 2 completed (Golf Course 2030 Projects - Biodiversity), Year 3 is currently being written up and data collection for Year 4 is well underway.

Another personal highlight was the European Conference on Golf and Biodiversity, in Paris, in collaboration with FFGolf, which brought together 110 different organisations including golf clubs, European and International golf federations, conservation groups and practitioners. The event highlighted notable efforts in biodiversity management within golf and demonstrated to others what can be accomplished in this area.

Recognising that not everyone sees golf's potential for biodiversity, The R&A has partnered with GEO to produce the Sustainable Golf Review. This data-driven resource highlights golf's contributions to nature, health, and climate, and is expected to become a valuable tool for Affiliates worldwide.

To demonstrate our ongoing commitment to sustainable management in golf, The R&A joined several other European Federations in becoming a signatory for the Sports for Nature Framework.

GREENLINKS

The R&A Greenlinks programme continues to set the standard for sustainable Championships. This year, the Water Project, in collaboration with MasterCard, achieved a significant milestone by removing more than 500'000 plastic water bottles from The Open.

Renewable energy is also at the forefront, with the latest Open Championship featuring the inaugural use of solar power for a temporary structure at the Links Pavilion. Looking ahead, we are committed to working with our partners to further expand the use of renewable energy at our Championships.

GreenLinks has become a pioneer in sustainable sports management and will celebrate its 10th anniversary at the 154th Open at Royal Birkdale. Owen James has joined The R&A as Sustainability Manager and we are committed to marking this milestone with further innovation, guided by the principles of circular economy, biodiversity, low carbon, and social value creation.

CONCLUSION

2025 has truly been a year of growth and development for sustainable golf. Through research, education, advice and practical support, The R&A is committed to leading and collaborating on the sustainable management of golf to ensure golf is thriving in 50 years times.

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WORLD AMATEUR GOLF RANKING® REPORT



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WAGR® MANAGER

INTRODUCTION

The following report is based on data up to and included Week 33 2025.

The R&A/USGA would like to thank all our affiliates for their hard work and attention to detail in supporting the accurate and timely submission of results.

WAGR® STATISTICS

WAGR® includes 8'140 players from 134 countries; this is an increase of 500 more players year on year and includes 17 more countries worldwide.

The number of finished WAGR Counting events for the full year of 2024 was 6'882, which was an increase of 570 events (9%) compared to 2023. As of Week 33 2025, 4'876 events have been included in WAGR rankings. This is 150 events (3%) more compared to the same timeframe in 2024.

EUROPEAN STATISTICS

The number of ranked players in WAGR® from Europe is maintained year on year with 2'447 which is 8 players less than the previous year, (1'435 Men/1'012 Women). The number of ranked women has increased by 22, and the Men have decreased by 30 from Europe (1'465 Men/990 Women) from 36 countries. These figures all show a decrease on 2023 by 68 players – 52 Men/16 Women.

NEW RANKED AND RE-RANKED PLAYER/S

There have been 1'541 (975 men, 566 women) new ranked players in 2025 up to Week 33. In comparison for the full year of 2024, 2'338 players became newly ranked.

Players who have successfully become re-ranked is 332 (234 men, 98 women) at the end of Week 33 in 2025. In comparison for the full year of 2024, 440 players became re-ranked.

MARK H. MCCORMACK MEDAL

The winner of the 2025 men's Mark H. McCormack Medal was Jackson Koivun of the United States. The winner of the women's medal was Kiara Romero of the United States.

The award is named after Mark H. McCormack, the late founder of sports marketing company IMG and an avid supporter of amateur golf. The Mark H. McCormack Medal is awarded to the player ranked number one in the WORLD AMATEUR GOLF RANKING® after the European Amateur Championship or U.S. Amateur Championship, whichever concludes later.

TOP 5 EUROPEAN COUNTRIES WITH MOST RANKED PLAYERS

WOMEN		MEN	
COUNTRY	N° RANKED PLAYERS	COUNTRY	N° RANKED PLAYERS
France	122	England	210
Spain	106	France	124
Germany	106	Spain	121
Sweden	97	Sweden	120
England	94	Germany	114

TOP 10 POWER MEN'S AMATEUR EVENTS IN 2025 WK1 TO WK33

EVENT NAME	WEEK N°	POWER	COUNTRY
1. Arnold Palmer Cup	2025-23	1000.00	United States
2. U.S. Amateur Championship	2025-33	999.01	United States
3. NCAA DI Men's National Championship- Stroke Play	2025-22	997.8113	United States
4. The Western Amateur Championship	2025-31	983.4862	United States
5. Valspar Intercollegiate Invitational	2025-13	966.9461	United States
6. NCAA DI Men's National Championship- Match Play	2025-22	962.8792	United States
7. 2025 SEC Men's Golf Championship Stroke Play	2025-17	961.4115	United States
8. Jones Cup Invitational	2025-02	954.8631	United States
9. Pauma Valley Invitational	2025-12	951.2279	United States
10. Northeast Amateur Invitational	2025-25	938.4741	United States

TOP 10 POWER WOMEN'S AMATEUR EVENTS IN 2025 WK1 TO WK33

EVENT NAME	WEEK N°	POWER	COUNTRY
1. Arnold Palmer Cup	2025-23	1000.00	United States
2. Augusta National Women's Amateur Championship	2025-14	997.5342	United States
3. NCAA DI Women's National Championship	2025-21	992.4369	United States
4. U.S. Women's Amateur Championship	2025-32	983.9185	United States
5. Charles Schwab Women's Collegiate	2025-13	939.8851	United States
6. NCAA DI Women's National Championship- Match Play	2025-21	931.9321	United States
7. Darius Rucker Intercollegiate	2025-10	931.2359	United States
8. Therese Hession Regional Challenge	2025-06	919.2455	United States
9. The Women's Amateur Championship	2025-24	914.6393	Scotland
10. Moon Golf Invitational	2025-08	906.6789	United States

TOP 10 POWER EUROPEAN MEN'S EVENTS IN 2025 WK1 TO WK33

EVENT NAME	WEEK N°	POWER	COUNTRY
1. European Amateur Championship	2025-26	905.3112	Sweden
2. The Amateur Championship	2025-25	898.7192	England
3. European Amateur Team Championship	2025-28	825.7073	Ireland
4. St Andrews Links Trophy	2025-23	729.8928	Scotland
5. St Andrews Trophy	2025-30	687.4149	Spain
6. Women's & Men's Home Internationals	2025-32	562.8831	England
7. Spanish Amateur Copa S M El Rey	2025-09	459.882	Spain
8. Portuguese Internacional Amateur Championship	2025-07	453.6049	Portugal
9. European Nations Cup - Copa Sotogrande	2025-13	415.5252	Spain
10. Lytham Trophy	2025-18	409.3219	England

TOP 10 POWER EUROPEAN WOMEN EVENTS 2025 WK1 TO WK33

EVENT NAME	WEEK N°	POWER	COUNTRY
1. The Women's Amateur Championship	2025-24	914.6393	Scotland
2. European Ladies' Team Championship	2025-28	897.2485	France
3. European Ladies' Amateur Championship	2025-30	854.2379	Germany
4. The Vagliano Trophy	2025-26	666.3168	Netherlands
5. Women's & Men's Home Internationals	2025-32	562.8831	England
6. Championnat de France Par Equipes - Trophée Golfers Club	2025-20	391.8741	France
7. Spanish International Ladies' Amateur Championship	2025-09	387.2464	Spain
8. Portuguese Internacional Ladies Amateur Championship	2025-05	375.0839	Portugal
9. Internationaux de France U21 - Trophée Esmond	2025-17	288.8826	France
10. Cto. Espana Federaciones Autonomicas Absoluto	2025-25	275.6357	Spain

TOP ELITE EVENT WINNERS IN 2025

MEN	WOMEN
The Amateur Championship Ethan Fang (USA)	Augusta National Women's Amateur Championship Carla Bernat Escuder (ESP)
NCAA DI Championship Michael La Sasso (USA)	The Women's Amateur Championship Paula Martin Sampedro (ESP)
European Amateur Championship Filip Jakubčík (CZE)	NCAA D1 Women's Championship Maria Jose Marin (COL)
U.S. Amateur Championship Mason Howell (USA)	European Ladies' Amateur Championship Paula Martin Sampedro (ESP)
	U.S. Women's Amateur Championship Megha Ganne (USA)

PLAYERS TURNING PROFESSIONAL IN 2025

As of Week 33, 394 WAGR® players turned professional in 2025:

- Men: 307 (99 Europe) [2024 Full Year 474 (163 Europe)]
- Women: 87 (21 Europe) [2024 Full Year 223 (59 Europe)]

MEN	WOMEN
Pablo Ereno Perez (ESP)	Lottie Woad (ENG)
Jose Luis Ballester Barrio (ESP)	Hannah Darling (SCO)
Calum Scott (SCO)	Louise Rydqvist (SWE)
Algot Kleen (SWE)	Carla Bernat Escuder (ESP)
Luke O'Neill (IRE)	Caroline Sturdza (SWI)
Conor Gough (ENG)	Gile Bite Starkute (LIT)
Gustav Anderson (SWE)	Darcey Harry (WAL)

WR4GD STATISTICS (THE WORLD RANKING FOR GOLFERS WITH DISABILITY) 2025

Combining the three WR4GD rankings there are 1'542 ranked players up to week 33, in comparison with 1'893 players in the full year of 2024 (351 less players, a decrease of 18%). Players are able to be in more than one ranking, when we look at unique numbers the total number of ranked players is 967. They represent 41 countries worldwide, 50% of all ranked players are European, 29% North American and 11% from Oceania. As of Week 33, 76 events have taken place to date with 126 expected by end of 2025.

The decrease in ranked players can be attributed to the change in ownership of the WR4GD. The rankings,

including governance, was gifted from EDGA to WAGR in March 2025. In line with this transfer of ownership, all ranked players needed to approve the sharing of their data with WAGR. Players who did not approve of this, were removed from the ranking.

The rankings are not separated by gender as in WAGR® but are divided into Gross, Net and Stableford Rankings. It should be noted that players can have a ranking position in more than one set of rankings. The Gross rankings also include Professional golfers with disability.

TOP 3 PLAYERS WITH GROSS RANKINGS (Week 33) Players with golf handicaps up to 18.4	TOP 3 PLAYERS NET RANKINGS (Week 33) Top 3 players with golf handicaps up to 18.4 but excludes Professionals	TOP 3 PLAYERS STABLEFORD RANKINGS (Week 33) Top 3 players with golf handicaps from 18.5 up to 54
1. Kipp Popert (ENG) 2. Simon Seungmin Lee (KOR) 3. Lachlan Wood (AUS)	1. Marjan Gavez (SVK) 2. Kelly Masson (CAN) 3. Josh Hunke (CAN)	1. Keiran McBrien (AUS) 2. Ann Van Acker (FRA) 3. Jorg Pliskat (GER)
643 PLAYERS ↓15% from 2024	586 PLAYERS ↓14% from 2024	326 PLAYERS ↓27% from 2024

UPCOMING CHANGES TO WAGR FOR 2026

Based on valuable stakeholder feedback regarding the need for improved accuracy and addressing various concerns, several key changes will be implemented starting from Week 1, 2026. The planned updates focus on the accuracy of the rankings and we are confident that these changes will bring positive results moving forward. We continue to discuss further changes in the coming months to address other concerns that have been raised.

The Power of all events will undergo a further review which measure the quality of the full field's performance, round by round. This will identify players of poor quality and they will be excluded from the Power calculation. In turn this will lower the Power and the points awarded. This will address concerns of small weak fields awarding high points to players and limiting their ability to achieve high ranking status without competing in larger more competitive events.

We are planning further communication and engagement with stakeholders in order to gauge the impact of these changes along with planning for the future of the rankings with the core aim of producing the most accurate ranking system for amateur golfers.



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GOLF'S GROWTH IN EUROPE

4.7M

Registered Golfers (+1% since 2023)

20.3M

Adults playing golf in Europe in 2024

13.6M

9&18 hole golfers - (registered & unregistered)
+3% vs 2023

12%

Rise in registered Junior Golfers
since 2023

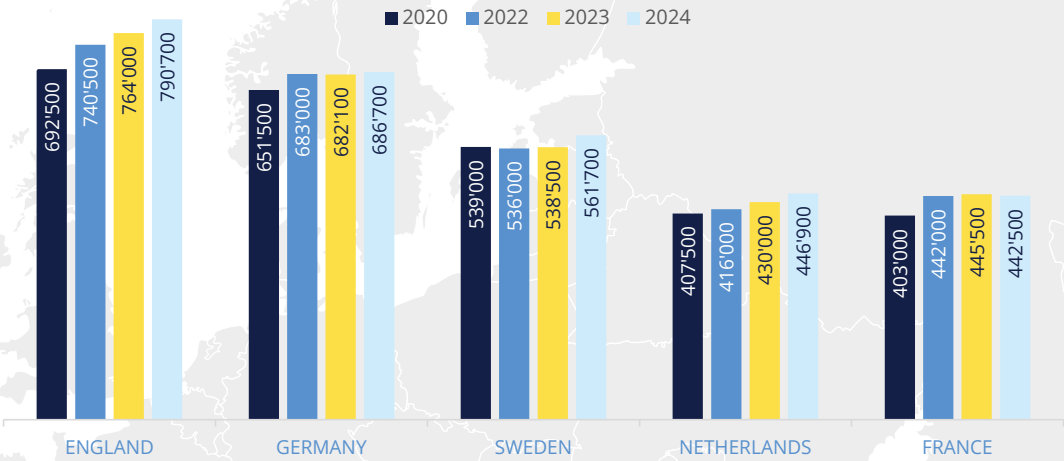
38.8M

People playing golf (adult + junior)
in Europe in 2024

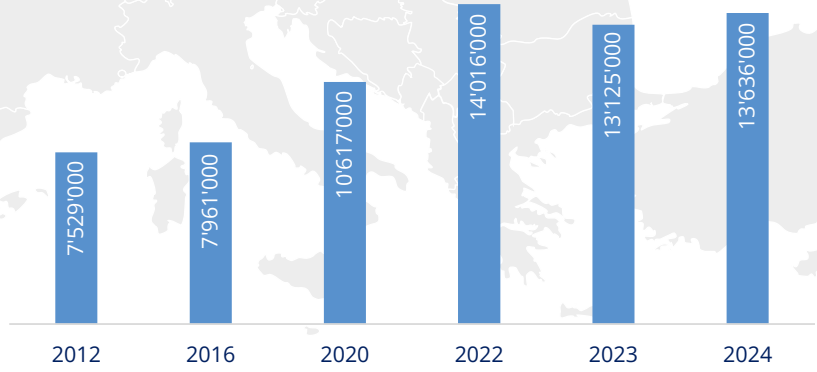
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Countries with the highest number
of registered Women Golfers globally
(excl. US and Mexico) are in Europe

TOP 5 MARKETS FOR REGISTERED GOLFERS



NUMBER OF 9&18 HOLE GOLFERS BY YEAR



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(EGA & R&A Report produced: June 2025)



Carolina Lopez-Chacarra Coto (ESP) at the 2025 Vagliano Trophy - Royal Hague Golf & Country Club, Netherlands



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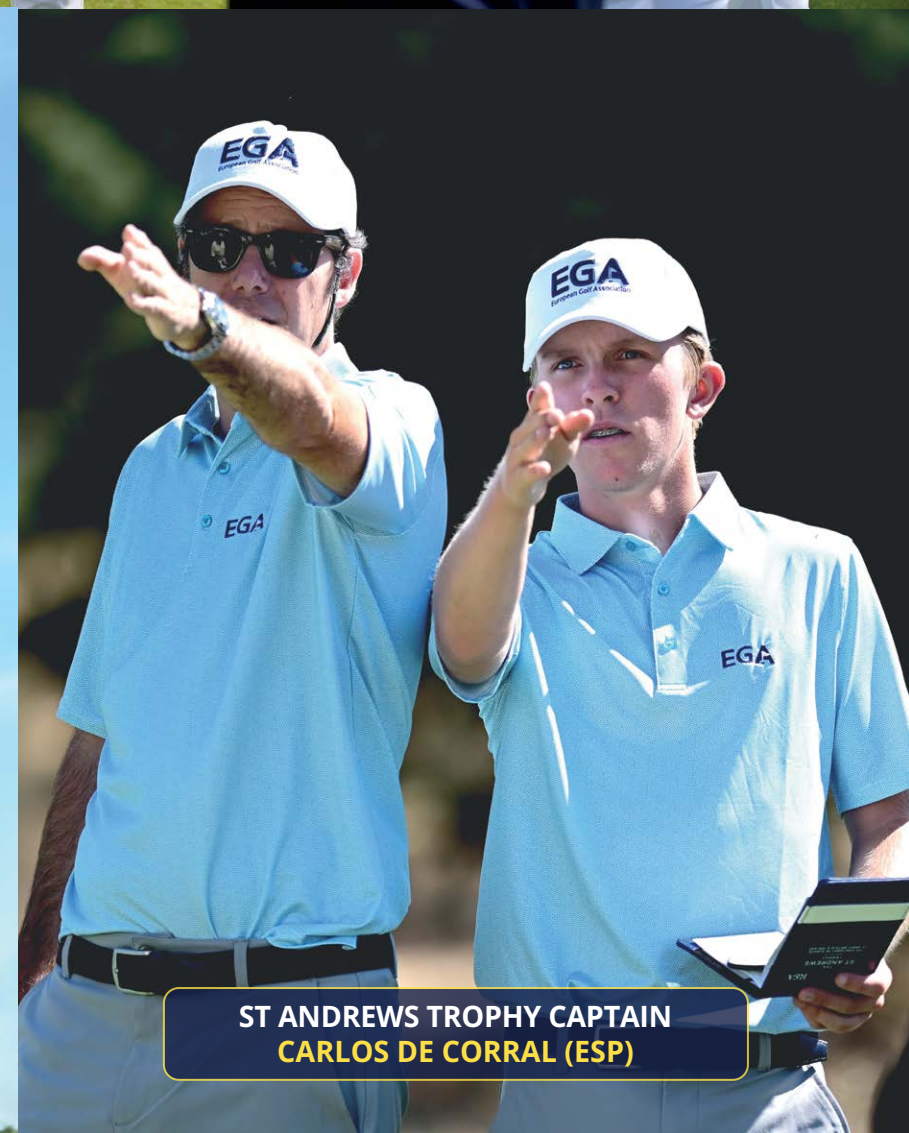


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