







# **Bonallack & Patsy Hankins Trophies**

Vidago Palace GC, Portugal 16-18 March 2016

### **BONALLACK TROPHY TEAM EUROPE SELECTIONS**





The European 12-man team will comprise the following players to compete against the best amateur players from the Asia-Pacific region in the International Match played at Vidago Palace Golf Course in Portugal from 16-18 March.





ausanne, March 2016: The 2016 Bonallack Trophy Selection Committee, led by non-playing Captain and EGA Championship Committee Chairman, Alexis Godillot, is pleased to announce the 12 highly-talented players who have been selected to represent Europe against Asia-Pacific at the Vidago Palace Golf Course in Portugal from 16-18 March.

The players have been selected based on their R&A/USGA World Amateur Golf Ranking (WAGR) and high-level golfing performances. Special attention was paid to match play results, particularly those attained in the European Golf Association's (EGA) International Matches and European Team Championships.

Six players from Great Britain and Ireland (GB&I) will be part of Team Europe.

England will be represented by Bradley Moore and Ashton Turner. Moore, winner of the European Young Masters

in 2013, won the English Boys' Open Amateur Stroke Play Championship, the Boys' Amateur Championship Qualification, where he then progressed to round 4, and finished runner-up at the Peter McEvoy Trophy in 2015. He was first reserve for the last Walker Cup. At the beginning of this year, he placed third at the 2016 Lake Macquarie International Championship in Australia. Having played in the Jacques Léglise Trophy for the last three years, Moore can count on great international match experience. Ashton also competed in the Jacques Léglise Trophy three times (2012-2014), demonstrating a respectable match play record. He won the Darwin Salver in 2013 and 2015, proceeded into the quarter-finals at the 2015 Spanish Amateur Championship and to the semi-finals at the 2013 French International Junior Championship (Trophée Michel Carlhian). In the same year, he was runner-up at the Australian Youth Olympic Festival.

















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The two Englishmen will be joined by Grant Forrest and Jack McDonald from Scotland.

Forrest, finalist at The Amateur Championship 2015, finished third at the Barona Collegiate Cup and was part of the winning Walker Cup team in the same year as well as of the winning St Andrews Trophy team the year before. In 2014, he also won the St Andrews Links Trophy and, between 2013 and 2014, he enjoyed four U.S. College wins.

McDonald progressed to the semi-finals at The Amateur Championship and was also part of the Walker Cup team in 2015. In 2013, he won the Scottish Student Championship.

His Walker Cup teammate, Jack Hume from Ireland, tied third place at the Brabazon Trophy and played the quarter-finals at the Spanish Amateur Championship in 2015. In 2014, he won the West of Ireland Amateur Open and, the year before, he was runner-up in The Lytham Trophy. Recently, he won the 2016 European Nations' Cup Individual and the South African Stroke Play Championship.

David Boote from Wales recently finished fourth at the 2016 South American Amateur, won last year's Welsh Amateur Championship and became third at the NCAA Division I Medal Championship in 2014.

There will be four EGA South Zone representatives: Spaniards, Ivan Cantero Gutierrez and Mario Galiano, and Italians, Luca Cianchetti and Stefano Mazzoli. Gutierrez, a 2014 Junior Ryder Cup and 2013 Jacques Léglise Trophy player, won the Campeonato Absoluto del Pais Vasco, the Campeonato de Canarias, was semi-finalist at the Spanish Amateur Championship and runner-up at the Copa Baleares in 2015.

His compatriot, Galiano, won the Copa Baleares, the European Nations Cup Individual and the Copa Nacional Puerta de Hierro (third time). Galiano can look back at considerable international match experience, being part of the Bonallack and the St Andrews Trophy teams in 2014 and having played the Jacques Léglise Trophy in 2012 and 2013. Recently, he could add two consecutive wins over the professional field on the Gecko Tour to his sporting C.V.

In 2015, Cianchetti, winner of the Abruzzo Open presented by Axa, a professional event on the Alps Tour, also added victories at the Trofeo Glauco Lolli Ghetti and the South of England Open Amateur Championship to his C.V. He finished runner-up at the Gran Premio di Monticello, third at the Campeonato Argentino de Aficionados Copa FiberCorp and, the year before, runner-up at the Italian Amateur Match Play - Giuseppe Silva Trophy.

Mazzoli, the reigning European Amateur Champion, placed third at the Gran Premio di Monticello and at the Italian International Amateur Championship in the same year. In 2014, he enjoyed a victory at the Italian U18 Trofeo Silvio Marazza and was selected for the Jacques Léglise Trophy.

Jeroen Krietemeijer (NED) and Robin Petersson (SWE) complete the 12-man European team.

Krietemeijer won last year's Spanish International Amateur Championship after finishing runner-up in the 2014 Dutch National Strokeplay Championship. Petersson, a player mainly focusing on tournaments in the U.S., won the Kiawah Classic by Aramark, the Wolfpack Intercollegiate and the MEAC Championship.

Team Europe will make its way to Portugal, where the three days of play will include five foursome matches followed by five fourball matches on days one and two and twelve single matches on the final day.

Event namesake, Sir Michael Bonallack, will himself, be attending the match. Sir Michael has an exceptional amateur record in golf. Among many prestigious titles, he won The Amateur Championship five times and was a member of nine Walker Cup teams. As a former Secretary of The Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St Andrews, among many other official roles, he is recognised as one of the leading contributors in world golf development in the late 20th century.

#### Past match results:

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All tournament information including livescoring will be available on the EGA website:

http://www.ega-golf.ch/content/bonallack-trophy
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