

EUROPEAN AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP 2020



Sept. 22-25, 2020

Golf & Country Club Zurich

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WELCOME MESSAGES



Message from the EGA President

The European Golf Association is most grateful to Swiss Golf and Golf & Country Club Zürich for hosting the 2020 European Amateur Championship. I also extend my thanks to the members for making their superb golf course available for this championship at such short notice.

All competitors will no doubt enjoy such a beautiful venue, and as always, friendships will be enhanced by the friendly rivalry which this event provides.

I wish all competitors a most happy and enjoyable championship!

Haukur Örn BIRGISSON
President
European Golf Association

A very warm welcome to all players of the European Amateur Championship 2020.

It is a great honour to host such an important Amateur event in Switzerland. We thank Golf & Country Club Zürich for accepting to organise the event in such short notice. The opportunity to see top European Amateurs competing in Switzerland is both motivating and encouraging for us all.

We wish the players good luck and a wonderful and unforgettable time in Switzerland.

Reto Bieler
President, Swiss Golf



COMMITTEES

HONORARY COMMITTEE

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ABOUT SWITZERLAND

Some facts about Switzerland:

Switzerland, officially the **Swiss Confederation**, is a federal republic in Europe. It consists of 26 cantons, and the city of Bern is the seat of the federal authorities. The country is situated in Western-Central Europe, and is bordered by Italy to the south, France to the west, Germany to the north, and Austria and Liechtenstein to the east. Switzerland is a landlocked country geographically divided between the Alps, the Swiss Plateau and the Jura.



While the Alps occupy the greater part of the territory, the Swiss population of approximately eight million people is concentrated mostly on the plateau, where the largest cities are to be found: among them are the two global cities and economic centers Zürich and Geneva. There are four official languages in Switzerland, by order of importance German, French, Italian and Romansch. The currency used in Switzerland is the Swiss Franc (CHF).

Switzerland has 98 golf courses and about 90'000 golfers. The first Golfcourse was built in St. Moritz in 1893, 127 years ago. The Golf & Country Club Zürich is located in the little town of Zumikon. In the early 20th century, Zumikon remained a farm village claiming only 587 inhabitants in 1900. The community centre was built in 1980, and that was when modern Zumikon took its form. The mayor of Zumikon at that time was Elisabeth Kopp who was to become the first female Swiss federal councillor in 1984.

For visa requirements please check:

https://www.sem.admin.ch/sem/en/home/themen/einreise/merkblatt_einreise.html

THE VENUE

The Golf & Country Club Zurich was founded in the 1920s in the tradition of an English golf club. The legendary British golf pro Tom Williamson designed the course in 1929 in the English Championship style.

Since its beginnings and up to the present day, the Golf & Country Club Zürich has been a private club where members do not have to reserve tee times to play. In addition, the clubhouse, designed in the 1930s in the Bauhaus style, is exclusively at their disposal. Not to mention the beautiful surroundings and the magnificent view of the Zurich landscape and, in the past, of Lake Zurich.

The 18-hole golf course

Apart from a few adjustments in 1936 by the British golf course designers Simpson & Co., the par-72 course, which is situated at 685 metres above sea level, has remained unchanged since its beginnings until it was redesigned in 1978/79 by the well-known golf architect Donald Harradine. Opened in May 1980, the course has stood the test of time for over 35 years. From 2015 to 2018, the course was completely redesigned for the third time in the history of the Golf & Country Club Zurich. The golf course architect Thomas Himmel was responsible for this.

Other than the 18-hole golf course, Golf & Country Club Zürich comprises a full range of services:

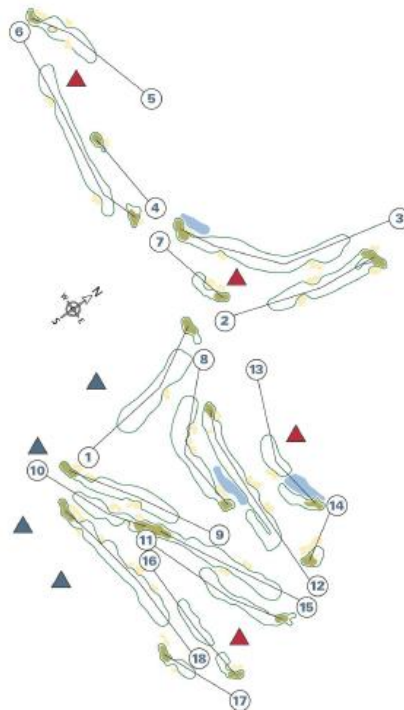
- Driving-Range
- Vast short-game area, including practice bunkers
- Large putting-green
- Caddy-master
- Pro-Shop

For further information on Golf & Country Club Zürich please go to <https://www.gccz.ch/club>.



Zumikon Men's Tees 18 Holes

EGA Playing Handicap							
(Men's Black)		(Men's White)		(Men's Yellow)		(Men's Gold)	
CR 75.3 Par 71 Slope 143		CR 73.8 Par 72 Slope 140		CR 71.7 Par 72 Slope 140		CR 69.9 Par 72 Slope 136	
Exact Handicap	Playing Handicap	Exact Handicap	Playing Handicap	Exact Handicap	Playing Handicap	Exact Handicap	Playing Handicap
+4.0 - +3.8	+1	+4.0 - +3.5	+3	+4.0 - +3.4	+5	+4.0 - +3.7	+7
+3.7 - +3.1	0	+3.4 - +2.7	+2	+3.3 - +2.6	+4	+3.6 - +2.9	+6
+3.0 - +2.3	1	+2.6 - +1.9	+1	+2.5 - +1.8	+3	+2.8 - +2.0	+5
+2.2 - +1.5	2	+1.8 - +1.1	0	+1.7 - +1.0	+2	+1.9 - +1.2	+4
+1.4 - +0.7	3	+1.0 - +0.3	1	+0.9 - +0.2	+1	+1.1 - +0.4	+3
+0.6 - 0.1	4	+0.2 - 0.5	2	+0.1 - 0.6	0	+0.3 - 0.4	+2
0.2 - 0.9	5	0.6 - 1.3	3	0.7 - 1.4	1	0.5 - 1.3	+1
1.0 - 1.7	6	1.4 - 2.1	4	1.5 - 2.2	2	1.4 - 2.1	0
1.8 - 2.5	7	2.2 - 2.9	5	2.3 - 3.0	3	2.2 - 2.9	1
2.6 - 3.3	8	3.0 - 3.7	6	3.1 - 3.8	4	3.0 - 3.8	2
3.4 - 4.1	9	3.8 - 4.6	7	3.9 - 4.6	5	3.9 - 4.6	3
4.2 - 4.8	10	4.7 - 5.4	8	4.7 - 5.4	6	4.7 - 5.4	4
4.9 - 5.6	11	5.5 - 6.2	9	5.5 - 6.2	7	5.5 - 6.3	5
5.7 - 6.4	12	6.3 - 7.0	10	6.3 - 7.1	8	6.4 - 7.1	6
6.5 - 7.2	13	7.1 - 7.8	11	7.2 - 7.9	9	7.2 - 7.9	7
7.3 - 8.0	14	7.9 - 8.6	12	8.0 - 8.7	10	8.0 - 8.8	8
8.1 - 8.8	15	8.7 - 9.4	13	8.8 - 9.5	11	8.9 - 9.6	9
8.9 - 9.6	16	9.5 - 10.2	14	9.6 - 10.3	12	9.7 - 10.4	10
9.7 - 10.4	17						



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ACCOMMODATION

List of Hotels close to Golf & Country Club Zurich:

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<https://ussicht.ch/hotel-zumikon/>

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Sunnmatt Lodge Bed & Breakfast

Sunnmatt 4, 8126 Zumikon

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Romantik Seehotel Sonne ****

Seestrasse 120, 8700 Küsnacht

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Signau House & Garden Boutique Hotel Zürich ****

Signaustrasse 6, 8008 Zürich

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Tel. ++ 41 44 387 41 41

CHAMPIONSHIP PROGRAMME

DAY 1 – Sunday September 20

Arrival of Participants

Noon – 5 pm

Registration at the Registration Desk in the Clubhouse

No practice is allowed on the course nor on the Driving Range. Players can practice on the putting green and Short Game area behind the Clubhouse

DAY 2 - Monday September 21

Arrival of Participants

8:30 - noon

Registration at the Registration Desk in the Clubhouse

Practice Round (**booking compulsory: +41 43 288 10 88**)

DAY 3 - Tuesday September 22

From 08:30

1st Round – Stroke Play – Tee 1

7pm

Players' Barbecue at the Restaurant of Golf & Country Club Zurich

DAY 4 – Wednesday September 23

From 08:30

2nd Round – Stroke Play – Tee 1

DAY 5 – Thursday September 24

From 08:30

3rd Round – Stroke Play – Tee 1

Cut after 54 holes

DAY 6 – Friday September 25

From 08:30

Final Round

Closing Ceremony 30 minutes after the last flight in front of the Club House
Cocktail Party

CHAMPIONSHIP INFORMATION

PROTECTION CONCEPT

Please read carefully the Protection concept for the event.

BAG STORAGE

A golf bag storage is located near the Putting Green. It is open daily from 7am to 6.30pm.

LOCKERS

The locker rooms are situated in the clubhouse. There are no locker available.

PRACTICE FACILITIES

A practice putting green, bunker practice, short game area and driving range are available close to the Clubhouse. Range balls are offered during the practice days and the championship. Pull-trolleys are available and free of charge for the participants.

PRACTICE ROUND

The official practice day is Monday, September 21st. Please reserve your tee-time for the practice round directly at the golf club: phone +41 43 288 10 88 or email: bob.snoddon@gccz.ch.

CATERING

The Clubhouse's restaurant will be available for players and their guests for dining and resting. There will be a daily Players' Menu.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Tuesday, 22 September: Players are invited for the "Players Barbecue" at the clubhouse.

Friday, 25 September: Closing Ceremony followed by Farewell Cocktail Party at the clubhouse.

CLUBHOUSE

The Clubhouse, restaurant etc. will be open daily from 7am on.

DRESS CODE & MOBILES

A reasonable standard of dress is expected at all times, both on the course and in the clubhouse. No caps in the clubhouse.

Jeans, sleeveless or collarless shirts and tracksuits are not permitted on the course. Only soft spikes are permitted on the course.

Dress code for farewell cocktail party is "smart casual".

Players are requested **not to make phone calls** in the restaurant and on the Terrace.

INFORMATION BOARDS

The information boards are located inside in front of the Office.

Players should check the information boards at regular intervals as important information will be displayed relating to tee-times, messages etc. The information will also be published on the official event pages of the EGA Website: <http://www.ega-golf.ch/content/european-amateur-championship-1>.

INTERNET ACCESS

A complimentary wireless internet access is available in the clubhouse area.

REGISTRATION AND TOURNAMENT OFFICE

Registration is open Sunday, September 20 from noon till 5pm and Monday, September 21 from 9.80am till noon.

Competitors are requested to register at the club house immediately on arrival, but not later than Monday, 21 September noon. A competitor's failure to meet the deadline or to pre-notify the Committee of his pending arrival time may result in the competitor losing his starting field place reservation.

TRANSPORTATION

There will be no official transportation between airport, hotels and golf club.

CONTACTS

Organizing Committee:

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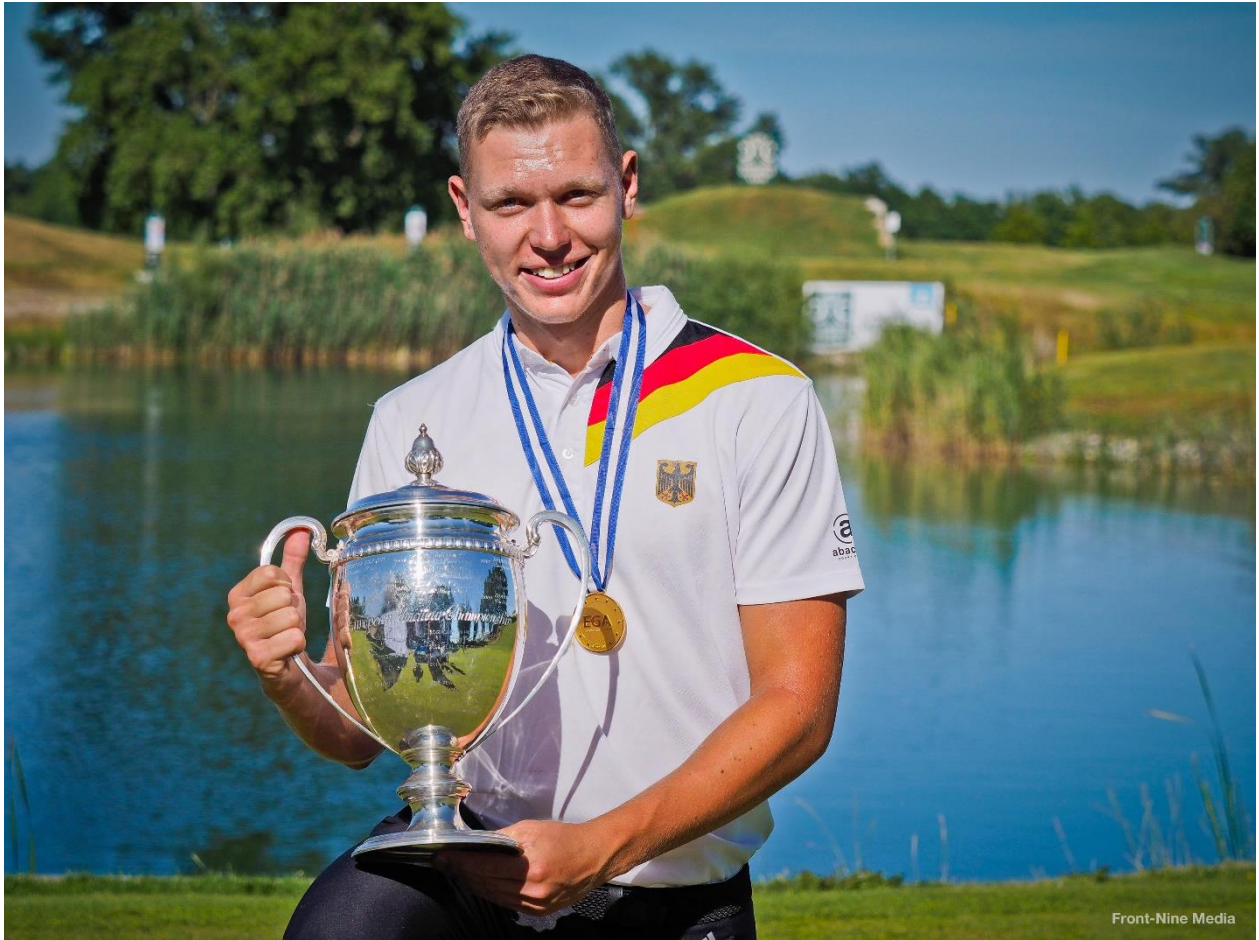
www.ega-golf.ch

You will find all the necessary information regarding the tournament on the official event pages of the EGA Website <http://www.ega-golf.ch/content/european-amateur-championship-1>.

RECENT WINNERS

The European Amateur Championship was instituted in 1986. The winner of the European Amateur Championship gets a spot to the 2021 British Open.

2019	Matthias Schmid (GER) 273	Diamond Country Club, Austria
2018	Nicolai Hojgaard (DEN) 281	Royal Hague GC, Denmark
2017	Alfie Plant (ENG) 273	Walton Heath GC, England
2016	Luca Cianchetti (ITA) 272	Estonian G&CC, Estonia
2015	Stefano Mazzoli (ITA) 269	Penati Golf Resort, Slovakia
2014	Ashley Chesters (ENG) 282	The Duke's St Andrews, Scotland
2013	Ashley Chesters (ENG) 284	Real Club de Golf El Prat, Spain
2012	Rhys Pugh (WAL) 277	Carton House, Ireland
2011	Manuel Trappel (AUT) 278	Halmstad GC, Sweden
2010	Lucas Bjerregaard (DEN) 273	Vanajanlinna G&CC, Finland
2009	Victor Dubuisson (FRA) 277	Golf de Chantilly, France
2008	Stephan Gross (GER) 280	Esbjerg GC, Denmark
2007	Benjamin Hebert (FRA) 277	Sporting Club Berlin, Germany
2006	Rory McIlroy (IRE) 274	Biella Golf Club, Italy
2005	Marius Thorp (NOR) 280	Antwerp International G&CC Rinkven, Belgium
2004	Matthew Richardson (ENG) 273	Skövde Golf Club, Sweden
2003	Brian McElhinney (IRE) 283	Nairn Golf Club, Scotland
2002	Raphaël Pellicioli (FRA) 284	Troia Golf Club, Portugal
2001	Stephen Browne (IRE) 270	Odense Eventyr Golf, Denmark
2000	Carl Pettersson (SWE) 263	Styrian GC Murhof, Austria
1999	Gregory Havret (FRA) 207	Celtic Manor, Wales (3 rounds only)
1998	Paddy Gribben (IRE) 274	Golf du Médoc, France
1997	Didier De Voogt (BEL) 278	Domaine Impérial, Switzerland
1996	Daniel L Olsson (SWE) 276	Karlstad Golf Club, Sweden
1995	Sergio Garcia (ESP) 276	El Prat Golf Club, Spain
1994	Stephen Gallacher (SCO) 278	Aura Golf Club, Finland
1993	Morten Backhausen (DEN) 276	Dalmahoy GC, Scotland
1992	Massimo Scarpa (ITA) 284	Le Querce Golf Club, Italy
1991	Jim Payne (ENG) 281	Hillside Golf Club, England
1990	Klas ERIKSON (SWE) 279	Aalborg Golf Club, Denmark
1988	David ECOB (AUS) 284	Falkenstein Golf Club, Germany
1986	Anders HAGLUND (SWE) 282	Eindhoven Golf Club, Netherlands



Front-Nine Media

Matthias Schmid, winner in 2019





Swiss Golf thanks our Partner for their kind support of the event:



Welcome to Switzerland and to Golf & Country Club Zürich!

