

Dubai Duty Free Golf World Cup returns for 29th edition



Last year's winner of the Dubai Duty Free Golf World Cup Marius Fouche with Salah Tahlak, Sinead El Sibai and golf pro Des Smyth

Close to 100 executives from the international duty free industry will travel to Dubai to compete at the 29th Dubai Duty Free Golf World Cup. The event will take place over two days on November 24 and 25 at [Emirates Golf Club](#) and [Dubai Creek Golf and Yacht Club](#), respectively.

The invitational golf tournament, which has grown into one of the most popular events on the duty free calendar, will kick off ahead of the 2022 Middle East & Africa Duty Free Association conference. This year, the conference is taking place in Bahrain.

Colm McLoughlin, Executive Vice Chairman & CEO at Dubai Duty Free, described this year's participation level as "excellent" and expressed his delight that some of the returning players have participated in the tournament almost every year since 1993.

"The response to this year's tournament has once again been very good and we are delighted to welcome these key industry figures back to Dubai. We are also happy to welcome back Des Smyth, a well-respected Irish golfer, who is our golf pro for the tournament," he says.

The tournament is open to all male and female amateur players with a valid handicap of 28/36 or less. A number of special seniors categories have been introduced to make the event more interesting; they are from age 50+, 65+ and 70+.

The past champions of the Dubai Duty Free Golf World Cup include Steve Flanagan (1993-1996); Raimund Legnar (1994); Brendan O'Shea (1995); Noel Fox (1997-2000); Jan Baljet (2001); Ulrik Moller (2002); Adel Zarooni (2003-2004); Art Miller (2005); John Kammerman (2006); Nayma Maya (2007); Mark Van Huesden (2008); James Kfoury (2009); Gurbax Singh (2010); Clark Francis (2011); Rabih Sfeila (2012); Dermot Davitt (2013); Denise Kennedy (2014), Bayer Khan (2015), Scott Campbell (2016), Clark Francis (2017), Cees van Dooren (2018), Richard Lombard-Chibnall (2019) and Marius Fouche (2021).

Following the first day of golf on November 24, guests will be invited to relax and enjoy Dubai Duty Free's customary hospitality at The Irish Village in Garhoud, with special entertainment lined up for the evening.

In line with Dubai Duty Free's traditional busy November and December months, in recent days, the operation has supported the DP World Tour Championship – Race to Dubai and will soon be flying the flag at the Dubai Duty Free Sailing League Regatta and the Emirates Airline Dubai Rugby 7s.

These highlights will bring the retail operation right up to the celebration of its 39th anniversary on December 20 when it will celebrate with its customers and staff.