

Richard Lombard-Chibnall wins the 27th Dubai Duty Free Golf World Cup



Dubai Duty Free officials, headed by Executive Vice Chairman & CEO Colm McLoughlin, present the award to Richard Lombard-Chibnall, overall winner of the 27th Dubai Duty Free Golf World Cup

The Dubai Duty Free Golf World Cup is always one of the most highly anticipated events in the international travel retail golfing calendar and this year's 27th edition was no exception. The two-day event welcomed close to 100 players in a bid to be crowned the 27th anniversary champion. Round one was played for the first time at Dubai Hills Golf Club on November 27 and culminated at Dubai Creek Golf & Yacht Club the following day.

Organized by Dubai Duty Free, this annual event allows its industry guests to enjoy a pair of stunning golf courses in a beautiful environment surrounded by friends, guests and colleagues with a selection of quality prizes up for grabs throughout the respective Men's, Women's and Senior's Divisions.

Colm McLoughlin, Executive Vice Chairman & CEO of Dubai Duty Free, says: "The 27th running of the Dubai Duty Free Golf World Cup represents another milestone for Dubai Duty Free and I thank our team at Dubai Duty Free, as well as Dubai Hills and Dubai Creek Golf Club for another successful event. The players thoroughly enjoyed the competitive and friendly atmosphere and the social interaction made it a good meeting place for those involved in the duty free industry."

Taking home the coveted trophy of the 27th Dubai Duty Free Golf World Cup with two incredible rounds of 42 and 43 points totaling 85 for the tournament and winning by 2 points over his nearest competitor was Richard Lombard-Chibnall. In his acceptance speech, Richard regaled the heartwarming tale of his battle through serious injury and subsequent process of recovery, with this victory being a significant landmark in his journey back to health. Our sincerest congratulations go to ₁

Richard for his win and we wish him the very best wishes with his recovery.

For many players, it was their first visit to Dubai Hills Golf Club and the feedback was excellent, with its challenging greens and generous fairways being among the most common comments. Day two saw the golfers return to fan favorite, Dubai Creek Golf & Yacht Club where scoring was less generous, as many a golf ball found a "watery grave". Accuracy and power off the tee were tested with the nearest the pin and longest drive competitions over both days.

Gulf-Africa Duty Free was on location for round one at the Dubai Hills Golf Club, check out some snaps below.













