



Michael Bonallack Trophy

EUROPE VERSUS ASIA-PACIFIC

25-27 April 2008

Valderrama, Spain



SIR MICHAEL BONALLACK

Sir Michael Bonallack (born 31 December 1934) is an English amateur golfer who was one of the leading administrators in world golf in the late 20th century.

He has an exceptional amateur record in golf. He won the British Boys Championship in 1952 and, remaining an amateur in the era when professional domination of the sport became firmly entrenched, he went on to win the Amateur Championship and the English Amateur Championships five times each and the English Amateur Stroke Play Championships four times. He was a member of nine Walker Cup teams and played in the Eisenhower Trophy seven times. His best finish at the Open Championship was eleventh in 1959. He was the leading amateur at the Open in 1968 and 1971.

Sir Michael was Secretary of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St Andrews from 1984 to 1999 and Captain of the Royal and Ancient in 2000. He has also been Chairman of the PGA of Great Britain and Ireland (1976-81), Chairman of the Golf Foundation (1977-82), and President of the English Golf Union (1982). He also had spells as President of the One Armed Golfers Society, the British and International Greenkeepers Association, and the Professional Golfers Association of Europe and as Chairman of the advisory committee for the Official World Golf Rankings. He received an OBE for services to golf in 1971 and was knighted in 1998. In 1972, he was voted the Bob Jones Award, the highest honour given by the United States Golf Association in recognition of distinguished sportsmanship in golf. He has received numerous honours from golfing organisations around the world, culminating in his induction into the World Golf Hall of Fame in 2000.

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FORM OF PLAY

The Michael Bonallack Trophy consists of two teams of twelve representing Europe and Asia-Pacific. There are three days of play. The first two days comprise five four-ball matches each morning and five foursomes matches each afternoon. On the final day, all twelve team players compete in singles match play. A win counts as one point, a half yields half a point and a lost match returns zero. In the event of a tie, the trophy shall be retained by the holders.

RESULTS OF PREVIOUS YEARS

Year	Venue	Winner	Result
2006	Auckland GC, New Zealand	Europe	18-14
2004	Circolo Golf Roma, Italy	Asia-Pacific	16.5-15.5
2002	Hirono GC, Japan	Asia-Pacific	18-14
2000	Puerta de Hierro, Madrid, Spain	Europe	20-12
1998	Lake Karrynup GC, Australia	Europe	18-14

EUROPEAN TEAM SELECTION

The World Amateur Golf Ranking will be used as the main reference in addition to a number of captain's picks. According to the match conditions, no more than two players may be selected from the same country.

MATCH PROGRAMME

Monday 21 April: Intercontinental players arrive
Tuesday 22 April: Continental players arrive
Wednesday 23 April: First practice day
Thursday 24 April: Second practice day

Friday 25 April: Day 1
Saturday 26 April: Day 2
Sunday 27 April: Day 3
Monday 28 April: Players depart

