



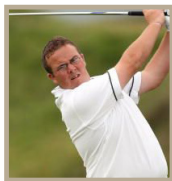
EGA Newsletter

The EGA Bulletin makes a return as the EGA Newsletter in 2009, to be published quarterly. The publication is aimed at better informing members of the decisions taken by the EGA committees regarding championships and other items of interest.

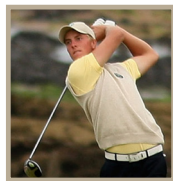
EGA Highlights 2008

Film highlights of six EGA championships can be seen at the "EGA Tour" website: http://videos.sapo.pt/golf_tv. Please be aware that full film versions are also available for sale and would make ideal film presentations for local or national television stations, souvenirs for participants and national digital records. The EGA is extremely impressed by the recording company, GolfMark, but acknowledges that the company cannot sustain current activity without the support of our members. Please contact GolfMark for a great movie product.

2008 European Rankings Results



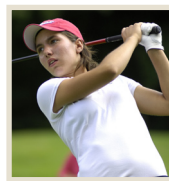
1st: Shane Lowry (IRE)



2nd: Stephan Gross (GER)



3rd: Jorge Campillo (ESP)



1st: Carlota Ciganda (ESP)



2nd: Maria Hernandez (ESP)



3rd: Anna Norqvist (SWE)

The first three ranked players will receive formal recognition for their achievement and be awarded EGA medal prizes at the 2009 European Amateur and Ladies' Amateur Team Championships.

2009 Ladies' European Amateur Ranking

A new European Ladies' Amateur Ranking (LEAR) will begin in 2009 and is an adaption of the proposed Women's World Amateur Golf Rankings (WWAR). It will be administered in the same way, but has a selected sub-set of events, mostly European. The LEAR will be more comprehensive than the current Ladies' ranking system used by the EGA and will be used as the basis for player points in the EGA Ladies' International Team Eclectic or "ELITE" (see article, current edition). The EGA

will still be accumulated solely by points earned in the LEAR counting events as listed. The first counting event for the season will be the Portuguese Ladies Open Amateur.

For more information regarding the LEAR, please see the EGA website.

The 2009 European Amateur Golf Ranking shall continue as per previous years, but will also be represented by a new logo:



Official "LEAR" logo



Official "EAGR" logo

Championship Committee has determined that if the WWAR becomes active during the 2009 season, it will immediately replace the LEAR. However, ELITE points

EGA Ladies' International Team Eclectic (ELITE)

Following requests for a European Ladies' Team League and general acknowledgement that international ladies' open championships around Europe would benefit from further participation, the EGA Championship Committee has developed the EGA Ladies' International Team Eclectic (ELITE).

The ELITE is calculated using the Ladies' European Amateur Ranking points from a set number of players from each participating country to make a running national total, i.e., an eclectic. A divisor is used so that countries can compete on equal footing, provided that a minimum number of players contribute a minimum number of rounds. For more information, including the



conditions of competition, please visit the EGA website.

European Senior and Girls' Team Championship Formats

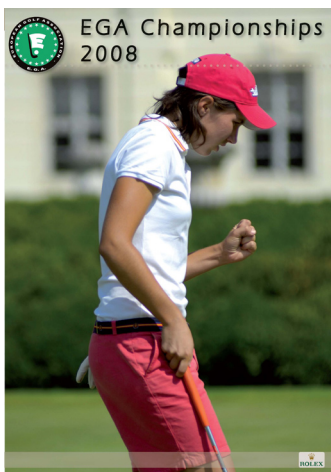
The European Senior Team Championship format has undergone further review. By popular request, the match play format will be extended one day at the cost of one practice day. Commencing in 2009, the match play format will be based on flights of eight teams. The week's format will thus be one practice day, Days 1 and 2 stroke play, Days 3, 4 and 5 match play.

The European Girls' Team Championship format will change to the staging of two foursomes only for teams in medal contention; other teams are to play one foursomes match only (instead, formerly, of two). This change will also be instigated in 2009.

EGA International Match Captains 2009

Captain for the 2009 Jacques Léglise Trophy Continent of Europe Team will be Andreas Pallauf (Austria) and Vagliano Trophy Continent of Europe Team Captain will be Macarena Campomanes (Spain). Details concerning team selection will be published and distributed shortly. Matches proudly supported by **PING**.

■ *The EGA Championship result booklet has been published and distributed to members. Further digital copies are available at www.ega-golf.ch/news/news92.asp*



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