

## ALFRED DUNHILL LINKS CHAMPIONSHIP - AMATEUR PLAYERS 2017

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Nick	ACQUAVELLA	USA	Art dealer and director of the Acquavella Gallery in New York which has been selling paintings and sculptures to private museums and collectors worldwide since 1921. The gallery is the international agent for acclaimed British painter Lucian Freud. He is a member of Long Island clubs Deepdale, National Golf Links and Shinnecock Hills, and Seminole in Florida. This is his sixth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Pasco	ALFARO	USA	Co-founder of Miura Global Management, a hedge fund established in New York in 2004. He is a member of Deepdale, National Golf Links and Shinnecock Hills on Long Island and Valderrama in Spain. Says his greatest golfing moment was making the cut in the 2014 Alfred Dunhill Links. This is his sixth appearance in the Championship.
Sir Martyn	ARBIB	UK	Founded investment company Perpetual, now merged with Invesco, and was Chairman from 1973-2000. Now retired, his main interests are golf, dry fly fishing and horse racing. His first horse Snurge, won the 1990 St Leger. Also has a breeding herd of pedigree Belted Galloway cattle. Plays golf at Huntercombe and Queenwood in the UK and Royal Westmoreland in Barbados. Says his most memorable Alfred Dunhill Links experience was partnering winner Stephen Gallacher in 2004 and having his swing analysed by TV commentators over the last few holes. He says the general consensus was 'how on earth does he hit the ball'. 12 years ago he holed out from 130yds on the 1st at Kingsbarns, then 24 hours later from 140yds on the 10th at St Andrews. This is his 11th Alfred Dunhill Links appearance.
Nikesh	ARORA	USA	President and COO of SoftBank Internet and Media until June 2016. Non-Executive Director on the RicheMont Board. Previously he left Google in July 2014, after ten years, where he was senior vice president and chief business officer. Born in India, he now lives in California. Previously he was Chief Marketing Officer at T-Mobile Europe. A member of Menlo in the US and Queenwood in the UK, this is his fifth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Oliver	BAKER	UK	Working in wealth and investment management, and a graduate of St Andrews University. He is the grandson of Sir Michael Bonallack, Britain's greatest amateur golfer and the former Secretary of the R&A. Says playing Augusta with his grandfather and holing a 20ft putt on the 18 <sup>th</sup> green to halve the match is his greatest golfing memory so far. A member of Aldeburgh and the R&A, this is the first time he has played in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Sergio	BALBINOT	ITALY	Board member of Allianz, the German financial services company. In May 2015 he was reappointed President of Insurance Europe, the insurance industry's trade association. He is a member of Tarvisio golf club in his home town near Udine. This is his first appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Marius	BARNETT	SA	Born in Johannesburg and worked for mining giant Glencore, living at various times in Switzerland, Indonesia and Singapore, where he was CEO of Glencore Indonesia. Now runs his family's office in the UK and is a member of Queenwood. This is his first Alfred Dunhill Links.
Pat	BATTLE	USA	Became Chairman of International Management Group's US college division when it was formed in 2007 after IMG acquired the Collegiate Licensing Company, the business Pat and his father Bill created to market the booming college sports scene. He left in 2011 to pursue other sports marketing ventures. A member of Peachtree in Atlanta, this is his third appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.

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Geoff	BEATTIE	CANADA	Chairman and CEO of Generation Capital, a private investment firm in Toronto. Previously he was instrumental in transforming Thomson Reuters into a global information company. A philanthropist, he has worked for many causes including the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, the National Ballet of Canada, St.Jude's Children's Centre in India and the Family Cancer Research Institute in Toronto. A member of Nantucket, The Floridian and Toronto. Two years ago he hit Jamie Donaldson's ball by mistake, then watched Jamie hit his ball. 'It was a complete train wreck' he says. This is his third Alfred Dunhill Links.
Jan	BENGTSSON	SWEDEN	Born in Gothenburg, he is a member of the family which founded the H&M fashion group. He is founder and partner in investment company Schuykill. A member of Kristianstad in Sweden and Loch Lomond in Scotland. This is his 12 <sup>th</sup> appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links. Says his best moment was making the cut ten years ago with Mattias Eliasson.
Ernesto	BERTARELLI	SWISS	Winner of 2012 Alfred Dunhill Links Team Championship with Swedish golfer Alexander Noren, which he described as his "greatest and most memorable golfing moment." Ernesto Bertarelli is the man behind the Swiss yachting team Alinghi which won the America's Cup in 2003 and 2007. A Swiss-Italian entrepreneur, who is Chairman of Waypoint Capital, he was born in Rome before his family moved to Switzerland in 1977. Alinghi's 2003 victory over Team New Zealand was the first time a team had ever won the coveted sailing trophy on its first attempt, with the victory bringing the cup to Europe for the first time. He plays most of his golf at Golf Club de Geneve. This is his seventh appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.
Charles	BERTUCIO	USA	Works in investment services. This is his second appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links. Based in California, he is a member of Monterey Peninsula and Riviera. Says his greatest moment was his first ever eagle, a three on a par five, when he was 16, but he was playing alone and there was no one there to share the moment with.
Richard	BEVAN	UK	Chief Executive of English football's League Managers Association and Chairman of the Caribbean Premier Cricket League. Before that he was CEO of the Professional Cricketers Association. A member of Mere in Cheshire and Loch Lomond in Scotland, this is the 11th time he has played in the Alfred Dunhill Links. Says making the cut in 2009 with Ross McGowan was his greatest golf moment. Sits on fundraising board for Great Ormond Street Children's Hospital.
Tony	BIRD	UK	Now retired, he is founder and Director of Patech Solutions, an IT support company for organisations in the public and private sector, based in Lichfield, Staffordshire, UK. His great grandfather invented the famous British dessert Birds Custard. He plays most of his golf at Sherwood Forest and Whittington Heath. Last year he finished in the top ten in the Team Championship with Nick Dougherty. This is his seventh appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.

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Ian	BISHOP	UK	Former Royal Marine corporal who lost both legs above the knee, when he stepped on an explosive device in Afghanistan in February 2009. Just a year later he became only the second person in the UK with a double amputation above the knees to walk unaided. Ian plays golf three times a week now and with the support of charity On Course, has taken part in the Simpson Cup, set up by John Simpson, former manager of Sir Nick Faldo, after he was inspired by a visit to the Defence Medical Rehabilitation Centre at Headley Court in Surrey. The Simpson Cup is an annual tournament between teams of 13 injured service personnel and veterans from the UK and the US. Ian lives in Arbroath, the home of his former unit, 45 Commando, and is now the charity's first liaison officer in Scotland. He plays at Letham Grange and Mijas in Spain. This is his first appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Erwee	BOTHA	SA	Johannesburg equity trader. He is a member of Leopard Creek and Randpark. This is his third appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Sir Ian	BOTHAM	UK	As one of cricket's greatest all-rounders, Sir Ian scored more than 5,000 runs in 102 Test matches and took 383 wickets. The 1981 Ashes series is now famously remembered as 'Botham's Ashes' after his outstanding performances, particularly at Headingley. He retired from international cricket in 1992, and is now a successful cricket commentator. He also does a great deal of charity work, including sponsored endurance walks, such as from Land's End to John O'Groats. He is a member of the Laureus World Sports Academy and in November 2013 walked across Sri Lanka to raise funds for the charity. He says making the top ten in the 2004 Alfred Dunhill Links Championship with Ian Woosnam was one of his best golfing moments. Has played in all 17 Alfred Dunhill Links Championships.
Liam	BOTHAM	UK	Initially followed in the footsteps of his famous father Ian Botham playing county cricket. However after one year with Hampshire, he switched to rugby union in 1997 to play for West Hartlepool. He made his debut for the England Under-21 team the same year, before successive moves to Cardiff and Newcastle Falcons. In 2003 he switched to rugby league, playing for Leeds and Wigan. A member of Archerfield, this is his 12 <sup>th</sup> Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.
Mark	BOUCHER	SA	A former South African Test cricketer who holds the record for the most Test dismissals by a wicket-keeper. He had been a regular member of the South African side since the 1997/1998 tour to Australia, until his retirement from international cricket in July 2012 after a serious eye injury. This is his fifth Alfred Dunhill Links Championship. He is a member of Ebotse, Fancourt, Leopard Creek and Westlake golf clubs.
Phillipe	BUCHETON	FRANCE	Managing Director of French property company Bleecker since 2006. A member of Paris International Golf Club, he also plays at Loch Lomond. This is his sixth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Michael	BUNKER	UK	Investment Manager for GAM fund managers. Plays his golf at The Warren and Woodbridge in Essex. This is his third appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links. Says his best golfing moment was a hole-in-one at Wentworth in the World Final of the Duke of Edinburgh Trophy. Played polo until he was 50, still keeps six horses at home.
Glynn	BURGER	SA	Group Risk and Finance Director for South Africa investment bank and asset management company Investec, which he joined in 1980. He is a director of a number of Investec subsidiaries. A member of Johannesburg Country Club, this is his fifth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.

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Schalk	BURGER	SA	Played lock for South Africa's Springboks from 1984-86. His son Schalk Burger Jnr is also a Springbok, who is currently playing for Saracens. Schalk Snr is a wine farmer at Welbedacht, a historic, family-owned property situated in the Groenberg Mountain north of Wellington. He is a member of Wellington, the oldest nine-hole course in South Africa. Came third with Anton Haig in 2007 with his son Tiaan as caddie. This is the 14 <sup>th</sup> time he has played.
Eleanor	CANNON	UK	Chair of Scottish Golf, following the amalgamation of the men's Scottish Golf Union and the Scottish Ladies' Golfing Association. Senior partner of an executive coaching company, she worked at the Alfred Dunhill Links as a St Andrews University student in 1985. A member of Ranfurly Castle, this is the second time she has played in the Championship.
Tom	CHAPLIN	UK	Singer-songwriter, lead vocalist of British alternative rock band Keane, which sold more than ten million records. Currently the band is taking a break and last October he released a solo album <i>The Wave</i> . Says he can perform at Wembley or Live 8 without a problem... 'but I've never felt as frightened as when I teed up on the 1st at St Andrews in 2015.' Says he swings like a scratch golfer, but his short game is a disaster. A member of Rye in Kent, this is his second appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Manish	CHOPRA	USA	Founded Tiger Veda investment in 2006, after leaving Tiger Management to run his own fund. He is based in New York and is a member of Sebonack, Morfontaine in France, Tara Iti in New Zealand and Delhi golf clubs. As a young player he won the Indian Schools Championship and was captain of an Indian Schools team which played at Sunningdale
Giuseppe	CIUCCI	ITALY	Member of an Italian family which moved to South Africa to work in the wine and olive oil industry. He is now CEO of the wealth management Stonehage Group in London. Some years ago he acquired the South African 'democracy flag' bearing the signatures of former presidents Nelson Mandela, FW de Klerk and Thabo Mbeki, which flew over the Union Buildings at Mr Mandela's inauguration in May 1994 and returned it to South Africa. He now lives in Jersey and is a member of La Moye there, plus Queenwood in the UK. This is his seventh Alfred Dunhill Links.
Donald	COLLERAN	USA	Began his FedEx career in 1989 as an international sales manager in Philadelphia. Now he is Executive Vice-President for Global Sales with a staff of 8,000. A native of Massachusetts, he is a third-generation Irish-American, with roots in Galway and Cork. He is a member of TPC Southwind in Memphis, Woods Hole on Cape Cod and East Lake in Atlanta, the home club of Bobby Jones. This is his second appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.

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Ashton	CURTIS	USA	Managing Director at Morgan Stanley, based in New York. He sits within Institutional Equities and is particularly active in the firm's new issue process. A member of Shinnecock Hills, National Golf Links of America and Deepdale in Long Island, this is his second appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.
Maeve	DANAHER	IRE	From Ireland, she plays most of her golf at Limerick or Shannon golf clubs. Unusually she is right handed, but plays golf left-handed, except when she putts. 'I have no idea how this happened' she says. Enjoys sunshine golf in Barbados and Portugal. This is her first appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Peter	DAWSON	UK	President of the International Golf Federation, he retired in 2015 as Chief Executive of the R&A. A former county player who was captain of Cambridge University Golf Club, he began playing golf at 11 and is a member of the R&A. Says his best Alfred Dunhill Links memory was playing with Nick Dougherty when he won in 2007. This will be his 12 <sup>th</sup> Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.
Sandy	DAWSON	AUS	Sandy Dawson was only the second Australian, after Viscount Bruce of Melbourne, to be captain of the R&A. He is President of Royal Sydney. A former CEO of Arnott's, one of the largest food companies in the Asia Pacific region, he was also Chairman of United Distillers (Australasia) and the Darling Harbour Authority in Sydney. This is his fifth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.
Ludovico	DEL BALZO	UK	Based in London, he is an investment banker with Nomura. Son of an Italian Ambassador, he has spent considerable time travelling and is fluent in Italian, English, French and Spanish. Plays most of his golf at Nantucket in the US and Beaverbrook and Sunningdale in the UK. This is his ninth Alfred Dunhill Links Championship. Has made the cut once.
Greg	DALZIEL	UK	Aged 17, he has just left school to be a full time amateur golfer. A member of Airdrie Golf Club, he is the current Scottish Boys Champion and has played in the Boys Home Internationals
Norbert	DENTRESSA NGLE	FRANCE	Manager of Dentressangle Initiatives which provides road transportation, logistics, real estate and industrial and business services. Previously ran giant French transport and logistics company Norbert Dentressangle which was sold in 2014 to an American company. He is a major shareholder in French football club Olympique Lyonnais. A member of Golf Club de Lyon, he also plays at Golf de Gassin, this is his ninth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links. He is a keen skier and hunter.
Pierre-Henri	DENTRESSA NGLE	FRANCE	Co-founder and President of venture capital fund Hi Inov Dentressangle Initiatives, which specialises in digital investments. He is a member of Golf Club de Lyon, and also plays at Royal Palm and Samanah in Morocco. This is his third Alfred Dunhill Links. His father is Norbert Dentressangle, who is also playing.
Scott	DeSANO	USA	Founder of DeSano Pizza Bakery, he was formerly head of stock trading with Fidelity. A member of Sebonack, this is his 11 <sup>th</sup> appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links. He says his most memorable moment in the Championship was hitting to 12 inches on the 18 <sup>th</sup> in St Andrews at the final round in 2007 on live TV. He is a keen wine collector. Supports the First Tee Foundation and the Boys and Girls Clubs of America.

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Brett	DESMOND	IRE	A financier, he is the son of Dermot Desmond and brother of Ross Desmond, who are also playing. This is his third appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links. A member of Sunningdale in UK and K Club and Portmarnock in Ireland. Says his greatest golfing moment was winning a Father & Son golf competition on Dermot's 60th birthday.
Dermot	DESMOND	IRE	Created Ireland's financial hub, the International Financial Services Centre in Dublin. He is a partner with J.P. McManus in the Sandy Lane Hotel in Barbados and is a major shareholder in Glasgow Celtic. He is a member of the K Club. Says his greatest moment in golf was winning the World Invitational Father & Son tournament at Waterville with each of his sons. Winner of the Alfred Dunhill Links Team Championship in 2010 with Robert Karlsson, he has played in all 17 Championships. Since 1997 he has been Chairman of Irish charity Respect which raises funds for people with mental and physical handicaps. His sons Brett and Ross are also playing.
Ross	DESMOND	IRE	Son of Dermot Desmond and brother of Brett Desmond, who are also playing. He works in finance. A member of Queenwood, Sunningdale and Wisley. This is his fourth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links. Agrees with his father that winning the World Invitational Father & Son tournament in Waterville was a very special moment. A keen football fan, he supports Celtic and Manchester United.
William 'Billy'	DEWSALL	UK	Has spent over 20 years working in the London insurance market. Is now CEO of Gable Insurance, a company he set up in 2004, which specialises in underwriting in construction. A member of Queenwood, he says the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship has produced two of his greatest moments in golf - playing in the final day fourball in 2006 alongside the eventual winners Pdraig Harrington & JP McManus and getting a hole-in-one at Kingsbarns in 2008. This is the 14 <sup>th</sup> time he has played in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.
Jamie	DORNAN	UK	Star of the blockbuster film <i>Fifty Shades of Grey</i> and highly acclaimed for his portrayal of serial killer Paul Spector in the BBC TV drama <i>The Fall</i> . Jamie says the film he is most proud of is <i>Anthropoid</i> . Comes from Holywood in Northern Ireland, the same town as Rory McIlroy, and played his first golf on the same course there as Rory. Now a member of Royal Belfast, but also plays at Wilshire in Los Angeles. This is his fourth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links. Says sinking a 30-footer on the 18 <sup>th</sup> on the Old Course last year for an eagle was his best moment in golf. A Manchester United fan, he enjoys rugby, music and skiing.
Fourie	DU PREEZ	SA	One of South Africa's best scrum-halves, he played 76 Tests for the Springboks between 2004 and 2015 and was a key member of the 2007 Rugby World Cup winning squad. Was South Africa's Rugby Player of the Year in 2006 and 2009. He also played 164 times for the Vodacom Bulls and Vodacom Blue Bulls and 55 times for Suntory Sungoliath in Japan.
Miguel	DUENAS	USA	President and Chief Investment Officer of Miami-based wealth management firm Dimension Capital. He is a member of Deepdale and National Golf Links on Long Island and Riviera Country Club in Florida. This is his second appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Lothar	ESTEIN	USA	Owner of Florida property company Estein & Associates. He is a member of Isleworth in Florida and Butler National in Chicago. This is his third appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.

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David	FARRELL	USA	Bass player for top US band Linkin Park. The band rose to international fame with their debut album <i>Hybrid Theory</i> in 2000, which went diamond in the US and platinum in several other countries. Their second album <i>Meteora</i> topped the Billboard album chart in 2003. Since then they have produced four more albums and sold a total of 70 million. Plays his golf at Coto de Caza in Orange County, California. This is the second time he has played in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Mike	FASCITELLI	USA	American businessman, founder of property company MDF Capital. Previously he was President and CEO of Vornado Realty Trust. While he was in charge, Vornado bought the giant Merchandise Mart building in Chicago. A member of Atlantic, Deepdale and Purchase golf clubs, this is his fifth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.
Luis	FIGO	PORTUGAL	Born in Lisbon, he played as an attacking midfielder for Sporting Lisbon, FC Barcelona, Real Madrid and Inter Milan, before retiring from football in May 2009. He played a record 127 times for Portugal. He was 2000 European Footballer of the Year and 2001 FIFA World Player of the Year. He is one of the few footballers to have played for both rival Spanish clubs Barcelona and Real Madrid. His 2000 transfer to Real was for a then world record fee of £37 million. He won the Champions League with Real in 2002. A member of Encin and Moraleja golf clubs in Madrid, this is his third appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.
Cian	FOLEY	IRE	Son-in-law of Irish businessman and racehorse owner J.P. McManus, who is also playing. He married Sue Ann McManus in 2007 after they met at college. This is his sixth Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.
John	FRY	USA	CEO of an electrical and computer retail store chain in western United States, with its headquarters in Silicon Valley. His first store was in Sunnyvale, California, in 1985. A member of the Institute Golf Club in San Jose, this is the sixth time he has played in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
William (Billy)	GETTY	USA	The third son of Gordon Getty and grandson of oil tycoon J Paul Getty, he lives in San Francisco where he is a property and golf course developer and involved in wealth management. An enthusiastic golfer, he is a member of California Golf Club. When he married Vanessa Jarman in the Napa Valley in 1999 they drove from the wedding to the reception in a golf cart. This is the 14 <sup>th</sup> time he has played in the Alfred Dunhill Links. Says his most unforgettable Alfred Dunhill golfing moment was playing with one-legged Manuel de los Santos in 2009 in a strong gale and being amazed at his skill, determination and positive attitude.
Martin	GILBERT	UK	Born in Kuala Lumpur, he is CEO and one of the founders of investment company Aberdeen Asset Management, which is currently merging with Edinburgh-based financial services giant Standard Life. He plays at Royal Aberdeen and is also a member of the R&A. He is a Director of Aberdeen Football Club, a passion he shares with Aberdeen Asset Management's sponsored golfer Paul Lawrie. Says watching Lawrie win the Alfred Dunhill Links in 2001 was his most memorable golfing moment. Has played in all 17 Championships.
Rurik	GOBEL	SA	Director of Johannesburg stockbroking firm Golding Torr & DeDecker. He is a member of Leopard Creek. Began playing golf on a sand golf course with oil greens in Carnarvon, Western Cape. His greatest golfing moment was winning the 2005 Alfred Dunhill Links Team Championship with Henrik Stenson.

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Beltrán	GÓMEZ-ACEBO	SPAIN	Nephew of Juan Carlos I of Spain, the former King of Spain. He is the son of the late Luis Gomez-Acebo y de Estrada and the Infanta Pilar of Spain. He is CEO of a real estate company. A member of Real Club de la Puerta de Hierro in Madrid, he is a winner of the Sugar Amateur Championship in the Dominican Republic. This is his 12 <sup>th</sup> appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links. Says his best golfing moment was in a practice round at Kingsbarns four years ago when, with partner Gonzalo Fernandez Castaño, he beat José Maria Olazábal and Miguel Ángel Jiménez.
Matthew	GOODE	UK	Admired British actor, he has a long list of successful films in which he has appeared including <i>Match Point</i> , <i>Imagine Me &amp; You</i> , <i>My Family and Other Animals</i> , <i>Copying Beethoven</i> , <i>The Lookout</i> , <i>Brideshead Revisited</i> , <i>Watchmen</i> , <i>A Single Man</i> , <i>Leap Year</i> , <i>Stoker</i> and <i>The Imitation Game</i> . In 2014 he joined the cast of CBS legal drama <i>The Good Wife</i> . Was a member of the cast of the popular <i>Downton Abbey</i> series and is playing Anthony Armstrong-Jones, Princess Margaret's husband in the up and coming series of <i>The Crown</i> . Says his best golfing moment was partnering Danny Willett in the 2010 Championship and playing with Martin Kaymer, the eventual winner, in the final group. This is the fourth time he has played in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Chris	GOODWIN	CANADA	Born in Toronto, he is a Partner in Drake Goodwin, a merchant bank with interests in corporate childcare and property. Drake Goodwin also owns Redtail Golf Club, the first North American design by Donald Steel. He also plays at Lyford Cay in the Bahamas and is a member of the R&A. His most memorable golfing experience was a round with Arnold Palmer at Latrobe Golf Club, bettering Palmer's eagle at the 6th hole with an albatross two of his own. Has played in all 17 Alfred Dunhill Links Championships, making the cut in 2009.
Pascal	GRIZOT	FR	President of the Organising Committee for the 2018 Ryder Cup in France. Says bringing the Ryder Cup to France for the first time is his greatest moment in golf. He is chairman of his family company which has interests from supermarkets to financial services. He lives in Paris and is a member of Morfontaine, Golf du Prieure and Royal Mougins in France, the R&A and Winged Foot in New York. This is his eighth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links. Says his greatest Alfred Dunhill Links moment was shooting 64 at Kingsbarns in 2013.
Ferdinand	GROOS	GER	Partner in investment firm Cryder Capital. A member of the Henkel family which founded the giant German chemical and consumer goods company based in Dusseldorf. He is a member of Shinnecock Hills in New York and Queenwood and Sunningdale in London.
Gary	HACKNER	SA	South African property developer. His father is Sam Hackner, who is also playing. He is a member at Millvale and River Club. Says his best golfing moment was making the cut and coming third in the Team Championship. Holds an unusual record: in 2007 on the Old Course he hit his ball out of bounds right on the 1 <sup>st</sup> , then hit it out of bounds left (same place) coming back on the 18 <sup>th</sup> .
Sam	HACKNER	SA	Born in Durban, he is Chairman of Investec Property in South Africa. Plays at Kyalami, Leopard Creek, Millvale and River Club. Says his best golfing moment was playing a round of golf with his son Gary at Augusta, who is also playing this year. This is his sixth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links. He is a non-executive director of the South African Sunshine Tour and a supporter of the South African Golf Development Board.



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Alan	HANSEN	UK	Former Scottish defender who played a vital part in the successful Liverpool football teams of the 1970s and 1980s. He won eight League Championships and two FA Cups, as well as three European Cups. After he stopped playing in 1991, he became an analyst on BBC TV's Match of the Day until he retired in 2014. Plays his golf at Hillside in Southport. This is his tenth Alfred Dunhill Links. Says his best moments were making six birdies on the Old Course when he was playing with Alastair Forsyth in 2004, then watching his drive lip out of the 10th on the Old Course which would have been an albatross one.
Paul	HARRIS	SA	Director of investment company RMB, which has a large holding in South African bank FirstRand, of which he was formerly chief executive. A member of De Zalze, Leonard Creek, Plettenburg Bay, River Club and Steenberg, this is the 15 <sup>th</sup> time he has played in the Alfred Dunhill Links. He was runner-up in the 2014 Team Championship, playing with Brooks Koepka. Says his worst golfing moment was when he drove out of bounds on the 1st hole at St Andrews to the left, then followed that by driving out of bounds to the right.
Jim	HAWKINS	USA	President and CEO of Natus Medical in California. Was a finance director in Silicon Valley before switching to the medical supply industry. He lives in Pleasanton, California and plays his golf at Monterey Peninsula Country Club. This is his 14 <sup>th</sup> appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.
Graham	HEAD	USA	Born in the UK, he moved to the United States and founded ABC Carpet and Home store in New York. A member at National Golf Links on Long Island, he managed to hit the famous windmill beside the 15th tee on his first round as a member. Also a member at Mid-Ocean in Bermuda. This is the 11th time he has played in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Aidan	HEAVEY	IRE	Founder and CEO of Tullow Oil, one of Europe's largest oil businesses. From Castlerea in Ireland, he now lives in London. He is a member of Queenwood and Wentworth. This is his third appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Professor John	HEGARTY	IRE	Gastroenterologist at St Vincent's Clinic in Dublin. He is a member of Portmarnock. Says his greatest golfing moments have been a birdie at the 11th at Augusta and a hole-in-one at Pebble Beach. This is his eighth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.
Robert	HERSOV	SA	Founded business aircraft leasing company Marquis Jet in 2001 and sold it three years later to NetJets, where he became Vice-Chairman. Now Chairman of business development and marketing agency Adorem, he is also CEO of Invest Africa and African Capital Investments. He supports the Medikidz Foundation for children, whose co-founder is his wife Kate. Born in Johannesburg, he plays at Archerfield, Queenwood and Sunningdale in the UK and Steenberg in South Africa. He has played in all 17 Alfred Dunhill Links Championships. In 2008 he had a hole-in-one at the 8 <sup>th</sup> at Carnoustie.
William	HEYMAN	USA	Vice-Chairman and Chief Investment Officer of the Travelers Companies, a major US property/casualty insurer, which sponsors the Travelers Championship on the PGA Tour. He is also Chairman of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority. He plays most of his golf at National Golf Links but is also a member of Mid Ocean (Bermuda) and several other golf clubs. This is his third appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links.

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Brian	HIGGINS	USA	Co-founder and Managing Principal of New York-based investment and hedge fund manager King Street Capital. He is a member of Merion, Los Angeles CC, National Golf Links and Shinnecock Hills. A trustee of the Harlem Children's Zone and a supporter of the Morgan Library & Museum, this is his eighth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Robert	HISSOM	USA	From Texas, now living in London, he is founder and managing director of investment company Aspen Capital Partners. He is a member of Queenwood and Valderrama. This is his 14th appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.
Darren	HOWIE	UK	From Peebles, he is 18 and has represented Scotland at Under 14,16 and 18 levels. He has been a member of two European Boys teams and three Home Internationals. He represented, Great Britain and Ireland last month in the Jaques Leglise Trophy.
Walter	HUSSMAN JR	USA	Chairman and CEO of WEHCO media group, which includes the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette, many smaller newspaper titles and cable TV companies in four states. He is a member of Alotian, Country Club of Little Rock, Cypress Point, Eagle Springs, Tehama and Vail. This is the first time he has played in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Bob	ISRAEL	USA	Managing Partner of One Stone Energy, a private equity fund, focused on investments in the oil and gas industry. He is a member of Emerald Dunes in Florida. This is his eighth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Tom	JERMOLUK	USA	A technology investor and communications expert, he was the former CEO and Chairman of internet access provider Excite@Home. He is now involved in venture capital and property in Florida. He is a member of Deepdale on Long Island. This is the eighth time he has played in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Peter	JONES	UK	British entrepreneur with interests in mobile phones, TV, media and property. Best known as a panellist on UK TV series Dragons' Den and on American TV show American Inventor. His first successful venture, back in 1998, was Phones International Group, where in the early days he slept on the office floor. In 2009, he founded the Peter Jones Enterprise Academy to teach young entrepreneurs. A member of Quinta do Lago in the Algarve, this is his fourth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Johnathan	JOSEPH	UK	Radio broadcaster known as DJ Spooky. Born in Hackney, east London. He is involved with the 'Golf Roots' project, an initiative designed to attract inner-city children to golf. A member of The Grove, north London, this is his 11 appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links..
Jacques	KALLIS	SA	One of cricket's greatest all-rounders. A right-hand batsman and fast-medium bowler, in 2004 he became only the second player in Test history, after Sir Donald Bradman, to make a century in five consecutive matches. He played 166 Tests for South Africa and scored more than 13,000 Test runs. Jacques is an Ambassador for Laureus and also runs his own foundation to encourage talented young cricketers from various backgrounds. A member of Westlake, this is his fourth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.
Philip	KAYMER	GER	Brother of top golfer Martin Kaymer, for whom he manages day-to-day business. He says standing behind the 18th green in Medinah watching Martin holing the winning putt at the 2012 Ryder Cup was his best golfing moment. In 2008, Philip played with Martin in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship, with father Horst as his caddie. In 2015, Philip returned the favour, caddying for Horst, who partnered Martin.

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Ric	KAYNE	USA	Owner of the dramatic Tara Iti golf course in New Zealand. He is also CEO and co-founder of investment firm Kayne Anderson Capital Advisors. This is his sixth Alfred Dunhill Links Championship. He is also a member of Deepdale, Riviera, Sebonack and the Vintage Club in the US and Sunningdale in the UK. He is a member of the Board of Visitors of the Anderson School of Management at the University of California (LA) to whom he has been a generous donor.
Ronan	KEATING	IRE	Born in Dublin, it was as a member of the band Boyzone that Ronan Keating first burst on to the pop scene during the mid-1990s. Boyzone's first UK hit, <i>Love Me For A Reason</i> , reached No 2 in the charts in 1995 and by the end of the 1990s the band had enjoyed six UK No 1 singles and three No 1 albums. Keating has enjoyed success as a solo artist, with hits such as <i>When You Say Nothing At All</i> and <i>Life Is A Rollercoaster</i> . Plays mainly at Archerfield and the Centurion Club, this is his seventh appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship. Says his greatest moment in the Championship was leading after two days in the Team Championship with Graeme Storm.
Jeff	KELTER	USA	Partner in newly established US property firm KSH. He was previously Founding Partner and CEO in KTR Capital Partners, a leading private equity property company which was sold in May 2015. He is a member of Deepdale on Long Island. This is his sixth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links. A keen educationalist, he is a trustee for Trinity College and Westminster School in Connecticut.
Hans	KERTESS	USA	Investment banker, senior advisor for the Royal Bank of Canada. He is a member of National Golf Links and Shinnecock in New York and Seminole in Florida. This is his sixth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
David	KILBURN	UK	Founder and CEO of MKM, one of the largest independent builders merchants in the country, who are sponsors of Hull City football club. MKM bought 10,000 flags to give to Hull supporters who went to Wembley for the 2014 FA Cup Final. A member of Ganton, Hull and Scarborough South Cliff golf clubs. This year will be his seventh Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.
Greg	KINNEAR	USA	With only his fourth major film, <i>As Good As It Gets</i> , he secured his first Oscar nomination for Best Supporting Actor. He was literally stuck with Matt Damon for about 14 hours a day while shooting <i>Stuck On You</i> , playing conjoined twins. He has appeared in other notable films, including <i>Sabrina</i> , <i>You've Got Mail</i> , <i>Nurse Betty</i> , <i>We Were Soldiers</i> , <i>Little Miss Sunshine</i> , <i>Invincible</i> and <i>Green Zone</i> . Notable TV roles include <i>Friends</i> and his Emmy nominated roles for <i>Talk Soup</i> , <i>The Kennedys</i> and <i>Modern Family</i> , as well as starring as Keegan Deane in the 2014 series <i>Rake</i> . Currently lives in Los Angeles and is a member of Bel Air. This is his sixth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship. Says his funniest moment was scoring an eagle when playing with Miguel Angel Jimenez. 'He congratulated me in Spanish – I think' said Kinnear. 'And gave me a cigar.'
Franz	KLAMMER	AUSTRIA	First stood on skis at the age of three and dominated skiing in the mid-1970s, winning 26 World Cup races. In 1976 he gained sporting immortality winning the Olympic downhill gold medal in Innsbruck, when he responded to the enormous pressure of the home fans and won by 0.33secs in one of the greatest downhill runs ever seen. After his skiing career ended, he drove in the European Touring Car Championship for several years. He is a member of the Laureus World Sports Academy and a Goodwill Ambassador for the UN Drug Control Programme. He is a member of Kaiserburg golf club in Bad Kleinkirchheim. Still an enthusiastic skier, he also enjoys cycling. This is his 16 <sup>th</sup> Alfred Dunhill Links.

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Wladimir	KLITSCHKO	UKRAINE	Retired in August, at 41, after a 21-year career in which he won 64 of his 69 fights and at various times held the WBA, IBF, WBO and IBO world heavyweight championships. He is the second longest serving champion of all time behind Joe Louis, with 23 title defences to Louis's 25, including a nine-year period of 18 consecutive defences. He also won the Olympic super-heavyweight gold medal in the 1996 Olympics in Atlanta before he turned professional. Klitschko also appeared with another world heavyweight champion, Lennox Lewis, in the film <i>Ocean's Eleven</i> . As well as being a passionate golfer, he is a keen chess player. This is his second appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
David	KOHLER	USA	President and Chief Executive Officer of the Kohler Company, a leading manufacturer of household goods and furniture, which also owns the outstanding golf courses, Blackwolf Run, site of the 1998 US Women's Open, and Whistling Straits, which staged the 2004, 2010 and 2015 US PGA Championships. He has been named General Chair of the 2020 Ryder Cup which will be held at Whistling Straits. The company also owns the Old Course Hotel and The Duke's Course at St Andrews. He is on the board of directors of the American Football team Green Bay Packers. This is the fourth time he has played in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Allan	LAMB	UK	Born to British parents in South Africa, he was a batsman who played for Western Province before joining Northamptonshire in the UK, eventually playing Test cricket for England. He played in 79 Test matches, scoring 4,656 runs and 14 centuries. Now director of a UK travel and events company, he is a member of Northamptonshire County. This is his ninth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links. Says his worst moment was putting into the burn on the 1st hole at St Andrews.
Huey	LEWIS	USA	Huey Lewis and the News were one of the most successful music bands of the 1980s. <i>The Power of Love</i> and <i>Hip to be Square</i> were two of their biggest hits and the 1983 album <i>Sports</i> sold more than ten million copies in the US alone. The band remains in great demand for live performances. Lewis is also an accomplished actor. He played Billy Flynn in the Broadway production of <i>Chicago</i> , and in <i>Duets</i> in 2000 he played Ricky Dean, the karaoke hustler father of the film's star Gwyneth Paltrow. This is his tenth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship. He is a member of Pauma Valley and Stockfarm golf clubs. Says he once holed a ball from the Road Hole bunker – by throwing it.
Ric	LEWIS	USA	Chairman and CEO of property investment company Tristan Capital Partners. A member of Royal St George's, Sunningdale and Wentworth in UK, Royal Dublin in Ireland and Brae Burn in the US, this is his tenth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links. Says finishing fifth in 2010 was his most memorable golfing moment. Devotes much of his time to improving access to education for children from disadvantaged backgrounds through his Black Heart Foundation.
Rob	LIGHT	USA	Managing Partner and Head of Music at Creative Artists Agency, based in Los Angeles, which manages A-list clients in the entertainment and sports industries. A member of Augusta National and Hillcrest. Says making an eagle on the 11 <sup>th</sup> at Augusta was more exhilarating than any of his three holes-in-one. This is his second appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship. Has a collection of over 1500 golf instruction books, but he says it hasn't helped.

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Joseph	LOPEZ	USA	A property investor for Houston-based Pierpoint Capital. A member of Queenwood in the UK, this is the fourth time he has played in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship. Says his most unusual moment in golf was when a tee shot landed one inch from an alligator in the rough at Emerald Dunes in Palm Beach, but he was not allowed a drop.
Rob	LOUW	SA	Former Springbok flanker, he played in 19 Tests, scoring five tries. He played most famously in the 1980 Springbok team which beat Bill Beaumont's British Lions, starting in all four games and scoring a try in each of the first two matches. In 1985 he moved to English rugby league club Wigan. A member of Durbanville in Cape Town, this is his ninth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links. Has made the cut twice.
Michael	LUND	USA	Danish-born co-founder of Pandora, whose jewellery is sold in more than 500 stores worldwide. He works in the North American arm of the company and is a member of The Bears, Caves Valley, Medalist and Robert Trent Jones golf clubs. This is his fourth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship. Won the Pebble Beach Pro-Am in 2015 with Pat Perez.
Jabu	MABUZA	SA	Began as a taxi driver, but worked his way up to become one of the most influential and admired businessmen in South Africa. Now Chairman of Telekom and Executive Chairman of Sphere Holdings, he is also Chairman of South African Tourism. A member of River Club, this is his first appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.
Mark	MADDEN	UK	A former professional polo player, he is Founding Partner and Chief Operating Officer of hedge fund Tyrus Capital. A member of Terre Blanche on the Cote D'Azur, and Queenwood and Loch Lomond in the UK, he says his greatest golfing moment was finishing second in the 2015 Team Championship with professional playing partner Chris Wood.
Scott	MAHONEY	USA	Chairman and CEO of fashion company Peter Millar. He is a former Polo Ralph Lauren executive and industry veteran with over 20 years' experience. Based in Raleigh, North Carolina, he is a member of Carolina CC, Eagle Point and Ocean Forest. This is his fifth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship. Says having a picture taken of the late Arnold Palmer and his son is his fondest golf memory.
Dillie	MALHERBE	SA	South African businessman who is Non-Executive Deputy Chairman of Richemont. Born in Sydney, Australia, he plays most of his golf at Beaverbrook near London and Leopard Creek in South Africa. He is also a member of the R&A. A keen fly fisher, this is the tenth time he has played in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.
Jean	MALHERBE	SA	Son of Dillie Malherbe, who is also playing. Currently living in London, he is an auditor. He is a member of Leopard Creek in South Africa. This is his first appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Stephen	MARKS	UK	Founder and CEO of French Connection, the British clothing chain. He is owner of Duke's Meadows in Chiswick, West London, which has a nine-hole golf course and academy to encourage young people to take up the sport. A member of Queenwood, he says his most memorable golfing moment was a surprise birthday round of golf with Tim Henman at Duke's Meadows, where Henman shot a 66. This is his eighth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.
Ian	MARSHALL	UK	Retired property consultant who lives in St Andrews. He is a member of the R&A and the New Golf Club. He is a member of the Management Committee of the St Andrews Links Trust.

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Dan	MARTIN	USA	President of electronics and telecoms company Dan-Mar Components, which he founded in New York in 1990. A member of The Bears, Eagle Point, Huntington and Sebonack, he says his greatest golfing moment was playing with Jack Nicklaus at Augusta National. Sponsors the Metro NY Golf Open every year. This is his eighth Alfred Dunhill Links.
Sir Anthony (A.P.)	MCCOY	UK	A.P. is a Northern Irish jump jockey who broke all the records in his sport by the time he retired in April 2015. He rode in more than 16,000 races, had 4,357 winners, over 1,000 falls and was champion jockey 19 times - every year he rode professionally - beating the previous record of seven consecutive titles set by Peter Scudamore. He rode many times for owner JP McManus, who is also playing. A member of West Berkshire, this is his third appearance. .
Brian	McFADDEN	IRE	Former lead singer for boyband Westlife until he left in 2004 to launch a solo career. As well as singing, has appeared in many TV shows in the UK and Australia. A member of Celtic Manor and Studley Wood in the UK and Carton House in Ireland. He says his greatest golfing moment was winning the Turkish Airlines world amateur series event in London. This is his second appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.
Gerry	McILROY	UK	Belfast born, father of Rory McIlroy. A member of Holywood golf club, seven miles outside Belfast, where Rory learned his golf, and The Bears in Florida. Rory dedicated his 2014 Open win at Royal Liverpool to Gerry and his mother Rosie. In 2004 he famously placed a £200 bet on Rory to win The Open by the time he was 25 at odds of 500-1 and collected £100,000. Celebrates his birthday on October 5 – the first day of this year's championship. Played with Rory in the final day last group in 2009 and the penultimate group in 2014, but missed out on the Team Championship.
Gerry	McMANUS	IRE	Born in Limerick, he is the brother of J.P. McManus, the Irish businessman and racehorse owner, who is also playing. A finance director, he is a member of Adare. This is his 15 <sup>th</sup> appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links. An enthusiastic collector of classic cars, he owns a 1961 Ferrari 250 GT Berlinetta once owned by Eric Clapton.
J.P.	McMANUS	IRE	John Patrick McManus - known throughout the world as J.P. - started working in his family's plant hire firm, but at 20 became a bookmaker at Limerick's greyhound track. By the time he was 26, he had bought his first racehorse Cill Dara, and had begun what became a highly successful foreign currency trading business. In 1997 McManus teamed up with Dermot Desmond to buy the Sandy Lane resort in Barbados. Two years later, his horse Istabraq won the first of three successive Champion Hurdles. Now he owns more than 100 horses. He launched the J.P. McManus Golf Classic in Limerick in 1990 and has since played some of the world's top golfers, even defeating Tiger Woods at Limerick. Won the Alfred Dunhill Links Team Championship with Pdraig Harrington in 2002 and 2006.
Kieran	McMANUS	IRE	Son of J.P.McManus, he is a stud farm owner. In 2014 he won the Team Championship for the second time, with Peter Lawrie – he also claimed the title with Soren Hansen in 2009. He has now matched his father who has also won twice. He is a member of the K Club and Limerick. This is his 12 <sup>th</sup> appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.
Alexander	MEHRAN SR	USA	Since 1982 Chief Executive Officer and President of Sunset Development Company, owner of Northern California office park Bishop Ranch. Has been Chairman of the Board at Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco since January. A member of Burlingame, Napa Valley, San Francisco and Stockfarm golf clubs, this is his first appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links.

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Art	MOOSSMANN	USA	President and CEO for Regions and Markets for Allianz Global in New York. A member of The Bears, McArthur and Floridian golf clubs. This is the fifth time he has played in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship. An enthusiastic worker for charity, he supports CAPP, the Child Abuse Prevention Programme, Heritage Allianz and the educational Spencer Foundation.
Karlheinz	MUHR	USA	Executive Vice Chairman at Bank of America Merrill Lynch. A keen golfer he is a member of Hudson National, Los Angeles Country Club and Westchester in the US, Lyford Cay in the Bahamas and Kitzbuhel in Austria. Says his greatest golfing moment was winning the Westchester Buick Classic Pro-Am with Donald Trump as a member of his team. His wife is talented amateur golfer Elisabeth Muhr who is past Vice-Chair of the Barclays Classic event.
Shantanu	NARAYEN	USA	Grew up in Hyderabad, India. He moved to the US and started his career at Apple. Narayen joined Adobe in 1998 as senior Vice-President of worldwide product research and was appointed Chairman and CEO in November 2007 at the age of 44. In 2011, past President Barack Obama appointed him as a member of his Management Advisory Board. Is a member of Kuki'o and Nanea in Hawaii and Monterey Peninsula and Palo Alto in California. This is his first appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Daniel	NATHAN	SA	South African diamond dealer. Plays at Glendower and Leopard Creek. Had a close call when a lightning bolt struck the ground just 10 metres away from him while playing at Bryanston in Johannesburg. This is his 11th appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links. His father is Selwyn Nathan, who is also playing.
Selwyn	NATHAN	SA	Born in Johannesburg, he is a former golf professional who has had many important sports roles. He is currently Commissioner of the South Africa Sunshine Tour and a director of the South African Golf Development Board. He was a non-executive director of the highly successful 2010 FIFA World Cup. A member of Leopard Creek, he has played 12 times in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship. Says his most memorable moment was making the cut the first year he played and finishing third the second time. His son Daniel is also playing.
Moss	NGOASHENG	SA	Co-founder of Safika Holdings, a South African investment company, he is one of South Africa's most distinguished businessmen and served from 1995 to 2000 as economic advisor in the Presidency of South Africa. He has also served on the African National Congress' economic policy unit and has been a consultant to the World Bank. He is a trustee of the Nelson Mandela Children's Hospital. A member of River Club in Johannesburg, this is his seventh appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship. Says his greatest golfing moment was making the cut in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Mark	NICHOLAS	UK	Played cricket for 18 seasons for English county Hampshire, captaining them for ten years. Also captained England 'A' on tour in Zimbabwe in 1989/90. Plays most of his golf at Sunningdale and is also a member at Muirfield. Says his most memorable moment was shooting 72 at Carnoustie in the 2003 Championship. This is the 15 <sup>th</sup> time he has played. He started the cricket charity Chance to Shine which has raised more than £40 million and brought the game to 4,500 state schools that never played it before. His most recent book <i>A Beautiful Game</i> has won two awards.

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Paul	O'CONNELL	IRE	When he retired, following an injury he suffered in the 2015 Rugby World Cup, he was Ireland's third most capped player in history with 108 appearances. During his career, O'Connell captained Munster, Ireland and the British and Irish Lions. Plays most of his golf at Lahinch. This is his first appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Brian	O'DRISCOLL	IRE	A rugby legend, he was captain of Ireland from 2003 until 2012 and captained the British and Irish Lions for their 2005 tour of New Zealand. He played 133 times for Ireland and eight times for the Lions. He is Ireland's highest try scorer with 46 and the highest scoring centre of all time. He holds the Six Nations record for most tries scored with 26. He is now a TV and radio rugby analyst. Says his greatest golfing moment was a hole in one at Portmarnock Golf Club. A member of Milltown, this is his fourth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.
Jeremy	ORD	SA	Executive Chairman of Dimension Data Holdings, a South African-based global technology services company, which has expanded in just over 20 years to 30 countries. Was named Businessman of the Year in South Africa in 2000. Created the Waterford Winery near Stellenbosch in 1998. Plays mainly at the River Club, but is also a member of Fancourt and Leopard Creek. This is his 16 <sup>th</sup> appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.
Leigh	ORD	SA	Leigh is active in charities, and is co-founder of the Charities Unlimited Golf Day which has raised more than Rand 5m over the past 20 years. She is a member of Leopard Creek and River Club. This is her 11 <sup>th</sup> appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Graeme	PATON	UK	Retired army officer, he is currently a Director of Carnoustie Golf Links. Also a member of Dalhousie, where he is a past captain, and Panmure. Uniquely had two holes-in-one at the same hole in dramatically different wind conditions, once with a 3-wood, once with a pitching wedge. This is the first time he has played in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Ogden	PHIPPS II	USA	Grandson of Ogden Phipps, the financier and sportsman who was a doyen of horse racing and founded the celebrated Wheatley Stables and Claiborne Farm stud. He is co-founder and partner in the private equity firm Snow Phipps in New York. He is a member of Deepdale and National Golf Links on Long Island and Seminole in Florida. This is his ninth Alfred Dunhill Links Championship. Once teed off on the Old Course wearing a kilt after losing a bet to Ernie Els.
Kevin	PIETERSEN	UK	South African-born batsman and occasional spin bowler. He had an English mother so qualified to play cricket for England, which he did with flamboyant style between July 2005 and January 2014, playing 104 Test matches and scoring 8,181 runs. He was highly popular for his ferocious hitting and he became the fastest batsman to reach both 1,000 and 2,000 runs in One Day Internationals and the fastest to reach 4,000, 5,000 and 7,000 Test runs. Played for Surrey during the recent summer, and will play in the South African Global League in November, the Big Bash in Australia in December and January and the Pakistan Super League in Dubai. He is a member of Wentworth in the UK and Leopard Creek in South Africa. This is his third Alfred Dunhill Links.
Wijnand	PON	NETH	A member of the Pon family, which runs a group of businesses in the Netherlands, Wijnand Pon operates Koepon Holding, a dairy and beef producer. He plays his golf mainly at the 45-hole Winston golf complex in Mecklenburg-Vorpommern in Germany, which the family owns. He is very interested in landscape restoration. This is his fifth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links.



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Alan	QUASHA	USA	Founder and CEO of Quadrant Management, an investment management business based in New York. He is a past governor of the American Stock Exchange. He is also Chairman of the American Brain Trauma Foundation. Says his best golfing moment was having a hole-in-one at Kingsbarns in 2005. Plays most of his golf at Deepdale, but also plays at Maroon Creek in Aspen and Lyford Cay in the Bahamas. His brother Wayne Quasha is also playing.
Wayne	QUASHA	USA	A businessman, born in Manila in the Philippines. He is a member of Albany and Lyford Cay in the Bahamas and Beaverbrook and Queenwood in the UK. Only began playing golf in 1998. On his first ever round of golf, he shanked a tee shot across a lake and hit a swan, which sadly died. Says his greatest moment in golf was making the cut in the 2013 Alfred Dunhill Links Championship after ten years of trying. His brother Alan Quasha is also playing.
Frank	QUATTRONE	USA	Founder and Executive Chairman of Qatalyst, which specialises in mergers and acquisitions in the technology sector. Also serves as Chairman Emeritus of the Tech Museum in San Jose and on the advisory board of the Quattrone Centre for the Fair Administration of Justice at Penn Law School. He is a member of Monterey Peninsula. Had two holes-in-one at the 17 <sup>th</sup> at Tehama, the course owned by Clint Eastwood, nine years apart. This is his eighth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links. He made the cut last year with professional Adrian Otaegui.
Sir Steve	REDGRAVE	UK	One of the greatest Olympians, winning rowing gold medals at five consecutive Olympic Games, beginning with the coxed fours in 1984 in Los Angeles and finishing with the coxless fours in Sydney in 2000. Sir Steve received the Laureus Lifetime Achievement Award in May 2001 and is now a member of the Laureus World Sports Academy. He is also a trustee of Comic Relief and supports his own Steve Redgrave Fund. Since being diagnosed with diabetes in 1997, he has become an inspiration to other sufferers and is a Vice-President of Diabetes UK. He plays most of his golf at Harleyford near Marlow. Has played in all 17 Alfred Dunhill Links Championships and says his most memorable moment was making the cut in 2004, playing with Peter Senior.
Jamie	REDKNAPP	UK	Talented midfield footballer who played 239 times for Liverpool. He also played for Bournemouth, Tottenham and Southampton and won 17 England caps. His best season was 1998-99 when he scored ten goals for Liverpool under manager Gerard Houllier. The following year he became club captain. He is now a football analyst with Sky TV. Has been playing golf for eight years and is a member of Queenwood. This is his eighth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links. Says making the cut in 2009 with partner Luke Donald and playing in the last group with Rory McIlroy and his father Gerry was a day he will never forget.
Hugh	ROBERTS	UK	Hugh Roberts is the founder of sports events and marketing company SweetSpot. He is the founder and promoter of a number of major cycling events such as The Tour of Britain, Women's Tour and RideLondon. He was the first person to complete a circumnavigation of Britain by bike, 7,000km in 64 days. A former Surrey county golfer, he is a member of Royal St George's St George's Hill. This is his third Alfred Dunhill Links appearance. The first was in 2001, the Championship's first year.

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Kelly	ROHRBACH	USA	The American actress and model, best known for her role as C.J.Parker in Baywatch and as the cover page model in the 2015 Sports Illustrated swimsuit edition. She has appeared in many TV and film roles. She attended Greenwich Academy in Connecticut before going on a golfing scholarship to Georgetown University. She graduated in 2012 in theatrical studies and enrolled on an acting course at the London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art. One of five children who all play golf, she took the game up when she was nine. She is a member of Medalist and Everglades in Florida and Winged Foot in New York. Says her greatest golfing moment was having five gross birdies during the AT&T event at Pebble Beach.
Gaynor	RUPERT	SA	Wife of Johann Rupert, Chairman of Richemont, the Swiss luxury goods group. Gaynor is head of the L'Ormarins Stud at Franschoek in South Africa. She plays golf at Erinvale, Hermanus and Leopard Creek in S.Africa, Beaverbrook in the UK and Sebonack in the US. Says her greatest golfing moments were: getting her first ever hole-in-one on the signature 17th hole on the opening day of Ernie Els' new course at Oubaaai and in 2012, playing with Alfred Dunhill Links Championship winner Branden Grace on the final day at St Andrews.
Gerard	RUPERT	SA	Stellenbosch-based businessman and farmer. A member of Leopard Creek and Stellenbosch golf clubs. Keen on fishing, rugby and sailing. This is his eighth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.
Johann	RUPERT	SA	Chairman of Richemont, the Swiss luxury goods group.
Mike	RUTHERFORD	UK	Founder member of legendary rock band Genesis, and one of the band's two original members. Originally bass guitarist and backing vocalist, he assumed the role of lead guitar on the band's studio albums when Steve Hackett left in 1977. He was one of band's songwriters, creating lyrics for some massive hits such as <i>Follow You Follow Me</i> and <i>Turn It On Again</i> . He also released two solo albums in the early 1980s and created Mike and The Mechanics in 1985. He was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 2010. A member of Sunningdale and Valderrama, this is his first appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Duncan	SIMPSON-CRAIB	SA	Formerly founder of the locore IT group of companies in South Africa, he is now CEO of Rain, which is rolling out a wireless broadband network. A former pupil of Alness Academy in Scotland, he has never lost his appetite for Scottish rugby. He is a member of Leopard Creek. This is his 13 <sup>th</sup> appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Kelly	SLATER	USA	The greatest ever surfer, Kelly Slater has been world champion a record 11 times, including winning five consecutive titles between 1994 and 1998. He is the youngest ever to win, at 20, and the oldest, at 39. Is regarded as a lucky mascot by the pros after partnering Simon Dyson in 2009 and Thorbjorn Olesen in 2015 when they won. In the 2009 Team Championship, he finished third with Dyson, which he described as 'the best week of golf in my life.'
Martin	SLUMBERS	UK	Succeeded Peter Dawson as Secretary and Chief Executive of the R&A in September 2015. Previously he worked for Deutsche Bank in London where he was Head of Global Business Services. He is a member of Crail, Elie and the New Golf Club in Scotland and Worplesdon in Surrey. This is the first time he has played in the Alfred Dunhill Links.

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Ryan	SMITH	USA	Joint founder of Qualtrics, a software research company, based in Provo, Utah. As CEO, he has grown the company from a basement start-up into one of the fastest growing technology companies. Says his greatest golfing moment was winning the Utah Mid-Amateur. A member of Riverside Country Club, he eventually won the club championship after being runner-up seven straight times. This is his second Alfred Dunhill Links Championship. Plays basketball three times a week.
Ian	SNOW	USA	Co-founder, CEO and Partner of Snow Phipps, the New York-based private equity firm. He is a member of Deepdale, Maidstone, Meadow Brook and National Golf Links on Long Island. This is his fourth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.
Allan	STANTON	SA	Vice President of Sales in the Middle East for Gulfstream Aerospace. His father Joe Stanton was a singer in South Africa. Loves big game fishing for tuna and sailfish. A member of Dubai Creek and Leopard Creek in South Africa, this is his sixth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links. His most entertaining golfing moment was playing with John Daly in 2015 – “never had more fun in my life on the golf course”, he says.
Barry	STERNLICHT	USA	Founder, Chairman & CEO of Starwood Capital Group, the private investment firm he formed in 1991, focused on global real estate and hotel management. He built Starwood Hotels & Resorts into one of the leading hotel and leisure companies in the world. A philanthropist, he is Chairman of the Robin Hood charity which fights poverty in New York and supports arts projects and diabetes research. He plays most of his golf at Glen Arbor, and is also a member of Deepdale, Floridian, Pebble Beach, Ocean Forest, Purchase and Vineyard. This is his fourth Alfred Dunhill Links.
Andrew	STURDY	UK	Co-founder of Lloyd's broker, SL Insurance. A member of Knole, Rye and Sunningdale golf clubs, this is his first appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links. Says his best golfing moment was winning the family foursomes at Knole with his son 30 years after winning with his father.
Sean	SUMMERS	SA	CEO of Steinhoff, the furniture and household goods retailer. Previously he was CEO of South African supermarket chain Pick n' Pay for 11 years. He is a member of Leopard Creek, Glendower and Steenburg in South Africa and Queenwood in the UK, where he now lives. Says his greatest moment in golf was partnering Ernie Els when he shot his first 60 at Fancourt. This is his 12 <sup>th</sup> appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.
Ahmed	TAYEB	LEBANON	Born in Beirut, he is financial assets manager in the family business. Says his most unusual golfing memory was in 2006 after the summer war in Lebanon, he was finding propaganda leaflets and bullet shells all over the golf course he was playing. Says his best golfing moment was playing a round with Rory McIlroy at Archerfield in 2010. A member of Beaverbrook and Queenwood in the UK and Gozzer Ranch and Trump National in the US, this is the eighth time he has played in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.
Bill	TERLATO	USA	Chief Executive of Terlato Wine Group and the Artisan Spirits company in Lake Bluff, Illinois. In 1996 Terlato purchased Napa Valley's Rutherford Hill Winery, as well as other winemakers in Sonoma and Santa Barbara and in Victoria, Australia and the Rhône Valley in France. A member of The Bears Club in Florida, Bob O'Link in Illinois and Sebonack on Long Island. This is his tenth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.

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Dilip	THOMAS	INDIA	An Indian industrialist who sits on the board of many companies. He plays mostly at the Madras Gymkhana Club in Chennai and is on the governing committee of the Indian Golf Union. This is his fifth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links. He is a keen horse racing enthusiast, both as owner and sponsor of races.
Ian	TODD	UK	After competing at Olympic level as a skier, he qualified as a solicitor before joining IMG where he spent 27 years. Now President of the International Stadia Group. He is a member of Beaverbrook and Sunningdale. This is his fourth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.
Tico	TORRES	USA	Renowned drummer of Bon Jovi, one of the world's most successful rock bands who sold more than 100 million records worldwide and performed more than 2,700 concerts in over 50 countries. Tico also designed his own range of baby clothes which he launched several years ago called 'Rock Star Baby'. A talented painter, he has exhibited since 1994. He also supports the Tico Torres Children's Foundation to raise funds for young people in need. Plays golf at La Gorce and Riviera in Florida and Albany in the Bahamas. This is his 14 <sup>th</sup> time playing in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Gerry	TVEDT	UK	Born near Glasgow, he is Chairman of the Tvedt Group, which owns companies specialising in interior construction. Plays golf at Ganton and Queenwood. Says his most interesting golfing moment was playing Darren Clarke in the final of the Queenwood medal. He hit a good drive on the opening par five, then watched Darren hit a driver and wedge to a foot for a 'gimme' eagle. This is his 13 <sup>th</sup> Alfred Dunhill Links.
John	TYSON	USA	Chairman of Arkansas-based American food giant Tyson Foods. The company is one of the world's largest processors of chicken, beef and pork and annually exports the largest percentage of beef out of the US. Tyson Foods have been active in disaster relief efforts particularly after Hurricane Katrina in 2008, shipping in food to affected areas. A member of Blessings Golf Club in Arkansas, this is his 14 <sup>th</sup> appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship. Says his greatest golfing moment was making an eagle on the 18th on the Old Course.
Heidi	UEBERROTH	USA	Owner and Director of the Pebble Beach company that manages the resorts and golf courses in Monterey, California. She is the former President of NBA International and was instrumental in the successful global expansion of the basketball brand. She also serves on the boards of the Monterey Peninsula Foundation, the Ueberroth Family Charitable Foundation and is a trustee of the Cancer Research Institute. She is a member of Cypress Point, Shinnecock Hills and National Golf Links. This is her first appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Hilgon	VAN BREDA	SA	South African-born, he moved to Switzerland 20 years ago. He is now CEO of SwissInc which invests in Swiss real estate and property development. He is a member of Beaverbrook in UK, Fancourt and Leopard Creek in South Africa and Sempachersee in Switzerland. This is his second Alfred Dunhill Links.

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Charlie	VAN DYK	SA	Born in Kenya, he is a businessman and farmer. A member of South African clubs Leopard Creek and Kambaku, he has had some intriguing encounters. He was once playing with his wife Lucia at Leopard Creek, where she had to chip over a crocodile on the 5th hole. And his partner at Kambaku one day found himself sharing a bunker with a puff adder. This is his seventh appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links. Brother of Harry Van Dyk who is also playing.
Harry	VAN DYK	SA	He is a banana farmer and businessman. A member of Leopard Creek and Kambaku golf clubs, he has his own three-hole course in South Africa. This is his tenth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links. He is an enthusiastic deep-sea fisherman. Brother of Charlie Van Dyk who is also playing.
Johan	VAN ZYL	SA	Partner and CEO of wealth management company Stonehage Fleming in South Africa. A member of Hermanus, Leopard Creek and Royal Cape in South Africa and Denham, Prestwick and the R&A in the UK. Says his greatest moments in golf were being selected to represent the Western Province Schools golf team and winning the Autumn Meeting medal at Prestwick. This is the first time he has played in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Wilhelm	VAN ZYL	SA	Chief executive of Reinet Investments in South Africa, A member of De Zalze Golf Club in Stellenbosch, this is his first appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
John	VAN WYK	SA	Head of African investments for private equity firm Actis. A member of River Club in South Africa and Wentworth and Wisley in UK, this is his fourth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links. He represented South Africa at the World Karting Championships in 2011 and 2012.
Jay	VARKEY	INDIA	Group Executive Director of GEMS Education, which operates over 130 schools with around 150,000 students in 19 countries, spread across the Middle East and extending into the US, China, the UK and India. A member of Beaverbrook, this is his third appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links. Says his best golf moment was hitting a 430-yard drive at the 13th at Royal St.George's in the Halford Hewitt. Was a keen water polo player.
Frank	VIVIER	SA	Chief Transformation Officer at luxury goods company Richemont. He is a member of Leopard Creek. This is his third appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.
Todd	WAGNER	USA	US financier who co-founded New York-based Knighthead Capital in 2008. Is also co-founder and owner of media and Entertainment group 2929 Entertainment. This is his second Alfred Dunhill Links. Was once one inch away from a hole-in-one at the famous 12 <sup>th</sup> at Augusta. Super fit, he loves to compete in triathlons and is a keen fly fisherman.
David	WALSH	UK	Chief Sports Writer of the Sunday Times in London. A member of John O'Gaunt in Bedfordshire. Says his greatest golfing moment was winning the amateur open week at Vale do Lobo GC in the Algarve. This is his fourth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Michael	WANG	TAIWAN	Taiwanese, he is founder and president of computer and IT company Janus Technologies. He is a member of Miramar. This is the 16 <sup>th</sup> time he has played in the Alfred Dunhill Links. A keen mountain climber and cyclist, he practices Zen.

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Shane	WARNE	AUS	Born in Victoria, Australia, he was one of cricket's greatest spin bowlers, taking more than 1,000 wickets in Test and One Day Internationals by the time he retired in January 2007. His total of 708 wickets was a world record until surpassed by Muttiah Muralitharan. He is now a TV cricket analyst. A member of Huntingdale and Metropolitan in Melbourne and Beaverbrook near London, this is his 11th appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship. Has established the Shane Warne Foundation, which raises funds for seriously ill and underprivileged children in Australia.
Tim	WEBSTER	SA	Director of Swiss aircraft manufacturer Pilatus in South Africa. Previously he was a pilot in the South African Air Force. A member of Leopard Creek, this is his fifth appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links.
Andrew	WHITE	UK	Sold his sports marketing business WSM to Corbis in 2014. Has now founded sports consultancy 5Oceans. He is a member of Queenwood in the UK and Albany in the Bahamas. This is his 15 <sup>th</sup> appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship. Says his best memory was in 2004 when he played in the final day group with father-in-law Sir Martyn Arbib, who was playing with winner Stephen Gallacher.
Matt	WOOLF	UK	An oil trader, he is a member of Beaverbrook, Loch Lomond, Royal Blackheath and Royal Cinque Ports. He is a four-time winner of the Royal Blackheath spring medal, the oldest medal in golf, first competed for in 1792. This is his seventh appearance in the Alfred Dunhill Links Championship. Says his greatest golfing moment was making the cut in last year's tournament and starting his round on the Sunday with a birdie.
Anthony	WREFORD	UK	A company director, he has had a career in advertising, marketing and communications. A cricket enthusiast, he was Chairman of the English Professional Cricketers Association for more than five years and is a trustee at Lord's. He was the first non-American to join the board of the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame. A member of Beaverbrook, Royal St George's and Sunningdale, this is his third Alfred Dunhill Links Championship.