

Allocation of Places for the European GC Open Championship – Budleigh 26-29 May 2022

The ERC are pleased to confirm a lot of interest in this event, with almost 70 players names put forward for the 32 available places.

When the WCF took over the organisation of European events early this year, the WCF MC agreed that the event, which was already in the process of being organised, would continue under the traditional principles applied by Stephen Mulliner in the previous years, and not the WCF Regulations.

For avoidance of doubt, here are the relevant allocation principles in brief:

1. Members and RCOs inform the Organiser by the Response Date:
 - a) about their players for the Membership Places. Failure to nominate players by the Response Date results in losing the Membership Places.
 - b) about their players for the Ranking Places. Those players must have played at least 10 ranked games during the last 12 months prior to Response Date.
2. Number of available Membership Places (MP) for each country was indicated in the text of the formal invitation.
3. Ranking Places (RP) are used to fill the event after Member places have been awarded. Spaces are awarded to the applicants with the highest World Rankings (DGrade) on the Allocation Date - Sunday, 6 March 2022, subject to the limit that no country can have more than five players (e.g. England may have three MPs but cannot therefore have more than two RPs). The remaining players from the Ranking List are placed on the Replacement List.
4. In case some player with a Membership Place withdraws, that country has 14 days to replace the player with another player if they wish so. If no replacement is proposed, the vacancy is filled from the Replacement List, subject to the five player limit.
5. The five players limit is lifted if there are no eligible players on the Replacement List. From then on, any higher ranked player may replace a withdrawal.
6. Replacement List is dynamic, it is generated on the date when a vacancy arises. Therefore, the actual ranking sequence of the candidates at the time of replacement may differ from the one of today.

Based on the above principles, following Membership Places have been awarded:

1	Glenn	Fauske	Norway
2	Trond	Jansen	Norway
3	Ian	Burridge	Wales
4	Chris	Roberts	Wales
5	Pierre	Beaudry	Belgium
6	Lars	Boman	Finland
7	Helena	Jansson	Finland
8	Tomass	Freimanis	Latvia
9	Rolands	Dunders	Latvia
10	Wolfgang	Usbeck	Germany
11	Ulf	Saewert	Germany
12	Lorna	Dewar	Scotland
13	Rachel	Gee	England
14	Stephen	Mulliner	England
15	Euan	Burridge	England
16	Jose	Riva	Spain
17	Manuel	Alvarez-Sala	Spain
18	Andres	Alvarez-Sala	Spain
19	Ian	Sexton	Switzerland
20	Kevin	Collins	Switzerland

21	Daniel	Larsson	Sweden
22	Anton	Kamne	Sweden
23	Robert	O'Donoghue	Ireland
24	Karl	Murphy	Ireland

There were further 45 players - candidates for the remaining 8 Ranking Places, among them 17 players from England and 13 players from Spain. Five candidates did not fulfill the requirement for 10 ranked games during the last 12 months, and therefore go to the end of any replacement list.

The awarded Ranking Places:

	Name	Last name	Country	Dgrade
1	Aston	Wade	England	2313
2	Stuart M	Smith	England	2256
3	Mark	Stephens	Ireland	2216
4	Basilio	Iglesias	Spain	2196
5	Joi	Elebo	Sweden	2182
6	Daniel	Studerus	Switzerland	2046
7	Nicolas	Denizot	Spain	1990
8	Roberts	Stafeckis	Latvia	1982

Replacement Ranking list: should spaces become available

The players below are not yet in the event but are on the current Replacement List. This list has been produced taking into account the 5 players limit, therefore the players from countries with less than 5 confirmed players have been placed higher on the list than those from England and Spain. Players on this list are not yet in the event.

Replacement List 7th March

	Name	Last name	Country	Dgrade	Eligible for ranking places due to 5 players limit
1	Neil	Thomas	Switzerland	1965	x
2	Peter	Payne	Switzerland	1892	x
3	Sabine	Kaltenthaler	Germany	1831	x
4	Rainer	Kaltenthaler	Germany	1802	x
5	Thomas	Magin	Germany	1781	x
6	Viggo	Olsen	Norway	1722	x
7	Mike	Parry	Wales	1562	x
8	Richard	Bilton	England	2255	
9	Lionel	Tibble	England	2237	
10	Tim	Russell	England	2194	
11	Steve	Leonard	England	2185	
12	Raouf	Allim	England	2182	
13	Tony	Butcher	England	2141	
14	Guy	Scurfield	England	2132	
15	Jason	Carley	England	2069	
16	Pedro	Lozano	Spain	1932	
17	Maria	Taylor	Spain	1929	

18	Begona	Elzaburu	Spain	1927	
19	Carlos	Munoz	Spain	1900	
20	Paul	Durkin	England	1896	
21	Andrew	Dymond	England	1874	
22	Luis	Alvarez-Sala	Spain	1835	
23	Louise	Smith	England	1817	
24	Michelle	Leonard	England	1793	
25	Michael	Boeer	Germany	1729	
26	Ignacio	Gross	Spain	1717	
27	Felipe	Lopez De Carrizosa	Spain	1698	
28	Luis	Zavala	Spain	1651	

The following players did not meet the minimum game requirement:

Don	Beck	England	2100	only 4 games
Jane	Tewson	England	1904	not played in 2021
Birger	Stene-Syversen	Norway	1675	not played in 2021
Archibald	Zimonyi	Sweden	1564	only 8 games
Giles	Pepperell	England	0	not in the system

Ar sveicieniem / Best regards,
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