



**2nd PRO AM OF SAINT-TROPEZ
INDIAN SUMMER PAN DEÏ TROPHY
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The 2nd Pro-Am of Saint-Tropez Indian Summer Pan Deï Trophy 2008 organized by PSO Production Ltd ended the week-end of the 18th and 19th October in the magnificent **Gassin Golf Country Club**.

The English Champion, Philip Golding, winner of the 2003 French Open, won this new edition of 2008 with a total of 10 birdies over the 2 days of Competition.

By the end of day 1, he had finished first with 5 birdies to his favor and had to fight hard to keep his position as leader by performing 5 more birdies on Sunday.

However, the young French Ghislain Rosier matched his score thanks to 1 eagle and 8 birdies accumulated over the 36 holes of this Competition.

A play-off with an approach shot on Hole N°2 was a deciding factor between the two Players. More accurate than his opponent in this final shot, Philip Golding won the event with a beautiful victory in this Competition that had brought together 18 Professional Players and 54 French and foreign Amateur Players of 12 different Nationalities.

On the other hand, the Team made up of Ghislain Rosier (Pro), Guillaume Rosier (15.3), Patrice Rosier (12.5) and the excellent French amateur Rudy Thuilier (-3.8) won the Team event hands down with an exceptional gross score of 154 stableford points accumulated over 2 days. They had a 9 point lead over their pursuers, holders of the 2007 title, a Team made up of local Robert Roussille, Evelyne Dentressangle (13.6), Norbert Dentressangle (7.8) and Karim Youcef-Sba (5.2). Following in third place was the friendly Indian Team made up of Jagdeep Singh Cheema, Ranjan Bakhshi and Christophe Pinna, the famous coach of Star Academy, who was equally the world Karate Champion and leaded by Philip Golding, the British Champion.

Like many top athletes, Christophe Pinna practices golf with passion and proved to be talented in the game of the little white ball.

In the Net Team results, his Team just missed the title by 6 points to the Franco-Japanese Team made up of French players Francois Vallet (Pro), Philippe Vallet and the American couple of Japanese origin, Masashi Ota and Aya Takayanagi.

Many gifts were handed out during the Prize ceremony on Sunday 19th of October. These gifts included a generous gift of Magnum rosé wines offered by **Château Minuty**. Magnificent paintings specially created for the Event were also handed out personally to the winning Teams, both Gross and Net, by the Artist Ivan Hor, Tropezian for 40 years now.

Among the other Sponsors of this **2nd Pro-Am of Saint-Tropez Indian Summer Pan Dei Trophy 2008**, a special reference to our Partner **Ice Tropez** and **Domaine Tropez**, to the Domaine of **Siouvette** and **Barbeiranne**, **Mumm** and **Roederer** Champagnes. The official balls were offered by **Callaway** and the fashion brand, **Vicomte Arthur** offered the Official Polo of Pro Am to all the participants. The vehicles of **Hertz** and the Company **Etoile Limousine** carried out all transportation faultlessly. **Millésime Golf & Hotels**, and the interior decoration company **Oxygène**, beautified the interiors for this event with the Italian Company **SchoenhuberFranchi**. The brand **Gas Bijoux** offered perfumes and the beautiful jewellery. **Domaine du Mont**

d'Arbois offered a beautiful stay for two at Mégève Ski Resort . Most importantly they treated all the Players with an excellent gastronomic buffet all throughout the Competition. Without forgetting **Kronometry** and its President **Walter Ronchetti**, who offered a fabulous **Hublot** watch worth 7000 € at a drawing during a Gala Evening that brought together close to 200 people at the **Pan Dei Palais**, Partner Hotel of the Event, and which is part of the same Hotel Group of the **Hotel les Airelles** in Courchevel, generous Sponsor as well, who like last year gave away a stay for two in their magnificent winter palace.

To coronate this beautiful day, the presence of the artist **Hubert Privé** with his unseen works of art around the theme of golf which were exhibited throughout the Event. This exhibition lead to a charity operation to the profit of **Enfances Indiennes**, a Franco-Indian Association helping the less fortunate children, recognized by UNESCO through **Project Why & Planet Why**. The auction was lead by Marc Tremel, Director of the Club, and one painting sold for 700 € thanks to the generosity of one of the Members of the Private Club of Gassin Golf Country Club. For more information, visit www.enfancesindiennes.org or www.projectwhy.org.

A big thank you to all our Partner Hotels for this event, beginning with **Pan Dei Palais** Hotel, who welcomed, on the 15th of October, all the Participants of the **1st France India Business Cup** and offered a beautiful Gala Evening for the 2nd **Pro-Am of Saint-Tropez Indian Summer Pan Dei Trophy**. Also, to the **Villa Belrose** who offered, on their part, the welcome Cocktail to all the Participants of the Business Cup.

A big thank you to **Yaca** Hotel, to the **Mandala** and to the **Pré de la Mer** as well. And to **Pastis** Hotel who welcomed, like last year, most of the British Players and who specially lodged Champion **Philip Golding**, great winner of this beautiful International golf Tournament, open to Amateurs and Professionals both from France and abroad.

The competition took place in an excellent spirit of sportsmanship and conviviality. During the week of the 18th and 19th of October, a total of 72 golf players, both Amateurs and Professionals, from

a dozen different countries (India / United States / Switzerland / Japan / England / Scotland / Russia / Netherlands / France) took part in the 2nd Pro-Am of Saint-Tropez Indian Summer Pan Dei Trophy.

At the closing of the Season, these Golf events represent henceforth for the City of Saint-Tropez, two important dates in the calendar of The Drives of Saint-Tropez, just 10 days after the Voiles of Saint-Tropez.

We invite you to come back next year, from the 15th to the 18th of October for "The Drives of Saint-Tropez 2009", stage right with some more Golf and Polo and most probably a third new event by the seaside!

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