

Dear IGFR members,

the 57th IGFR World Championship has drawn to a close. Last week, 182 Rotarian golfers and partners from 22 nations met up in Marrakech, Morocco and enjoyed a week of fellowship, sunshine and golf. And what a week it has been – the organizing committee around Hakim Tahri did a marvelous job to entertain us, pamper us and astound us. Flawless organization around transport, pristine golf courses, evening locations similar to how you'd imagine them in "1001 nights" – we could not have had it better. Needless to say that Hakim and his marvelous team even delivered sunshine all around to complement a perfect golf week. I am especially pleased to have been able to welcome so many first time IGFR participants – led by our friends in India and Estonia, to call out two countries who attended with first timers in large numbers. I sincerely hope you all enjoyed the week, made new friends and plan to come back next time. And of course: spread the word and bring a friend!

To that end, our friend Gorav Gupta from India sent us the below newspaper article, highlighting that India won the Nation's cup in Morocco and underlining the commendable hospitality and fellowship of the organisers!

Let's also hear it again for the outstanding golfers that we honored last week for their good game. The full list of winners can be found [here](#). Please revisit the magnificent experiences we all had in Morocco by clicking through the more than 4500 (!) photos, provided by our friend Nourdin Rhaleb, [by clicking on this link](#).

As one IGFR event fades into being a memory, the next event is already in the making. In June 2023, we have the great pleasure to meet again in Rome, Italy. Sunshine and golf, fellowship and Aperol Spritz – please mark your calendars for this event between 1<sup>st</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> of July 2023. As a special treat, we will be the last group playing the Marco Simone golf course before a few weeks later the Ryder Cup will take place then and there. Registration will open soon, and I will let you all know as soon as you can sign up for what promises to be a fantastic event in the Citta Eterna, Rome. [Initial details can be found here](#).

Yours in Rotary,

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