







GORGEOUS GEORG SCHULTES REIGNS SUPREME AT RECORD-BREAKING AEGEAN MESSINIA PRO-AM

2022 AEGEAN MESSINIA PRO-AM COSTA NAVARINO, GREECE, 15 – 17 SEPTEMBER 2022

PGA of Austria Professional, Georg Schultes, completed a wire-to-wire win that included multiple course records at the <u>Aegean Messinia Pro-Am</u> in Greece, where 71 teams from 26 countries competed across three of the four courses at <u>Costa Navarino</u>.

Having previously finished in second place four times in both the <u>Aegean Airlines</u> Pro-Am and Messinia Pro-Ams across the past 8 years, **Schultes** has finally captured his first win in the year that the two popular events have merged together, setting a new standard for international Pro-Ams.

"It's amazing to win - having finished second four times then to finally get it across the line is really satisfying," said **Schultes**. "Obviously with the Golf Genius live scoring it makes it interesting and you can see what you have to do - so it was a little nerve-wracking on the last few holes...!

"I've had a wonderful time and I'm sad it's over - glad to have won but sad to be going home tomorrow. I'll keep coming back as long as I keep getting invited back - If my amateurs can put up with me for the week then I'll be here!"

Schultes' first round of 67 on The Dunes Course set a fresh course record, his second round of another 67 also set a brand new tied course record on the International Olympic Academy Golf Course alongside **Asaf Cohen** (PGA of Israel) and **Sion Bebb** (PGA of GB&I), and combined with a final round, one-under par 71 at The Hills Course, was enough to give him his winning -10 (205) total.

One shot behind was PGA of Spain Member, **Liam Murray**, whose horseshoe birdie putt on his 54th hole kept him just one shot behind on -9 (206), which was made up of a 68 and two 69s.

Third place fell to **Asaf Cohen**, a former Messinia Pro-Am winner, with a -7 (208) total that included a level-par 71 opener, followed by his record 67 in Round 02, and a two-under 70 at The Hills in the final round.

Former Aegean Airlines Pro-Am Winner, **Henrik Engdahl** (PGA of Greece), also receives special mention for his course record-setting three-under par 69 on The Hills Course, making it three from three course records from the Professionals during the tournament week.

The Team Pro-Am event honours were taken by the team of PGA of Greece Professional, **Christos Nikopoulos**, and teammates, **Maksym Kutkovskyy**, **Maryna Kutkovska** and **Aris Vovos** with a total of 263 points (-47) after a battle that came down to the very last hole of the event.

Two points behind, each on 261 (-45), with second place on countback was the team of **Richard van Matre**, **Bill Karnazes**, **Anthony Karnazes** and **Alexandros Meimaridis**, followed by **Liam Murray**, **Garo Kaprelyan**, **Todor Chakov** and **Dimitar Georgiev** in third on countback, and **Mike Bosch** (PGA of Canada), **Anastasios Chondronikolis**, **Dean Bradshaw** and **Constantinos Morfesis** in fourth place on countback.















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About Costa Navarino

Costa Navarino is the prime, sustainable destination in the Mediterranean, located in the Greek region of Messinia in the southwest Peloponnese. One of the most unspoiled and breathtaking seaside Mediterranean landscapes, this area has been shaped by 4,500 years of history. Its philosophy is driven by a genuine desire to promote Messinia, while protecting and preserving its natural beauty and heritage.















It comprises a number of distinct sites featuring five-star deluxe hotels, luxury private residences, conference facilities, spa and thalassotherapy centers, signature golf courses, as well as a wide range of unique year-round activities for adults and children.

Navarino Dunes, the first area, is home to two luxury five-star hotels, The Romanos, a Luxury Collection Resort, and The Westin Resort Costa Navarino; Navarino Residences, a collection of luxury villas for private ownership; and The Residences at The Westin Resort Costa Navarino – fully furnished resort apartments for sale; the signature golf course The Dunes Course; Anazoe Spa, a 4,000 m² spa and thalassotherapy center; the state-of-the-art conference center House of Events; specially designed facilities for children; and a variety of gastronomy venues, sports, outdoor and cultural activities.

Navarino Bay, the second area, is home to the signature golf course, The Bay Course and the earth-sheltered Bay Clubhouse, and is set to welcome the Mandarin Oriental, Costa Navarino in 2023.

At the nearby site Navarino Waterfront, the upscale, vibrant W Costa Navarino is expected to open in summer 2022.

At Navarino Hills, two new 18-hole signature golf courses are open as of February 2022. www.costanavarino.com

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