

NAGTOA North & West Coast Links

Golf Challenge 2008



September 7 - 13, 2008

The North American Golf Tour Operators Alliance

is pleased to offer you the opportunity to compete in our second annual NAGTOA North & West Coast Links Golf Challenge. The week long event includes our tournament which will be played over four days taking in some of the finest links courses in the world -- Royal Portrush Dunluce, Portstewart Strand, Ballyliffin Glashedy and Rosapenna Sandy Hills. A fifth practice round is also included at Portsalon, with an optional round available on arrival day for those who desire six rounds at Ballyliffin Old Course.



Tournament entry and format is based on 2-person teams, Stableford Scoring – better ball. The best score for each hole will count as the team score. Maximum handicap utilized for scoring will be 24 for men, 28 for ladies. Overall winners will be the teams with the highest accumulated points over the four tournament rounds. Daily Tournament Team Prizes to be awarded: 1st Net; Overall Tournament Team Prizes awarded: 1st, 2nd & 3rd Net; 1st & 2nd Gross. We look forward to welcoming you to a week of fantastic golf, great hospitality, fun competition, and as the Irish would say, great "craic"!

"Having been on several self-drive overseas golf "crusades", I was not sure what to expect. The NAGTOA tournament exceeded our expectations in every way! The accommodations, the food, the friendly competition and of course the great golf courses provided an absolutely top-notch golf vacation!"

– Deb Chute, Executive Creative Director, Golf Digest Publications, Wilton, Connecticut



Royal Portrush Dunluce, L. C. Lambrecht

Tournament Venues:

Ballyliffin Golf Club

– Glashedy Course – "The most natural golf links I have ever played."

– Nick Faldo

Portsalon Golf Club

"...an uncomplicated and natural layout that will test your skills and excite your senses - a complete golfing pleasure."

– Bob Fagan - Golf Today

Royal Portrush Golf Club

– Dunluce Course – "In truth there may be no more invigorating - make that intoxicating - spot on all the globe to play."

– James W. Finegan

Portstewart Golf Club

– Strand Course – "The whole front nine, ambling its way between the dunes and then out along the river, is an unfurling scroll of one outstanding hole after another."

– Charles McGrath - The New York Times

Rosapenna Golf Club

– Sandy Hills Course – "...Perhaps the best praise that can be given Sandy Hills is that there is not one weak hole on the course. In fact I would venture to say that there is not even one average hole on the course."

– Peter Acheson, Editor, Golf Digest Ireland



Ramada Hotel Portrush

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The Ramada Hotel in Portrush, an award winning three-star hotel overlooking the Atlantic Ocean, is situated in the heart of Portrush Town and a short distance to the Giants Causeway, Bushmills Distillery, and Dunluce Castle. The hotel has recently been refurbished in a contemporary style, and is a short walk to the many restaurants, pubs and shops. Wi-Fi access throughout.

Inishowen Gateway Hotel

Inishowen Gateway Hotel – a three-star hotel located in Buncrana, a seaside town in the Inishowen Peninsula in Co Donegal, the hotel overlooks Buncrana Golf Club and the sandy shores of Lough Swilly. After golf enjoy a sauna, steam, Jacuzzi or swim in the leisure center...or a massage in the Seagrass Spa.



Ballyliffin Glashedy, L. C. Lambrecht

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– Barry M. MacLeod, President, Top Line Performance, Prince Edward Island, Canada



Portstewart Golf Club – Strand Course



Portsalon Golf Club

Tournament Schedule:

Saturday September 6th

Depart North America on overnight international flights.

Sunday September 7th

Arrive Belfast or Dublin Airport

Meet & Greet with Event Representatives

Transfer via Luxury Motorcoaches to Buncrana

(optional round of golf today for those who wish at Ballyliffin Old Course*)

Check in at the Inishowen Gateway Hotel & Leisure Center, Buncrana

Welcome Cocktail Reception followed by Dinner this evening

Monday September 8th

Full Irish breakfast in hotel

Practice Day lunch and golf at Portsalon Golf Club

Overnight Inishowen Gateway Hotel & Leisure Center

Tuesday September 9th

Full Irish Breakfast in hotel

Day One of Tournament play and lunch at Ballyliffin Golf Club –

Glashedy Course, or Rosapenna Golf Links – Sandy Hills Course

Overnight Inishowen Gateway Hotel & Leisure Centre

Wednesday September 10th

Full Irish Breakfast in hotel and check out

Day Two of Tournament play and lunch at Ballyliffin Golf Club –

Glashedy Course, or Rosapenna Golf Links – Sandy Hills Course

Check in at the Ramada Hotel, Portrush and overnight

Thursday September 11th

Full Irish Breakfast in hotel

Day Three of Tournament play and lunch at Royal Portrush Golf Club

– Dunluce Course, or Portstewart Golf Club – Strand Course

Overnight Ramada Hotel Portrush

Friday September 12th

Full Irish Breakfast in hotel

Day Four of Tournament play and lunch at Royal Portrush Golf Club

– Dunluce Course, or Portstewart Golf Club – Strand Course

Farewell Dinner & Prize Presentation

Overnight Ramada Hotel Portrush

Saturday September 13th

Depart for Belfast or Dublin Airport, or

2 night extension at The Slieve Donard Hotel, Newcastle

with 2 rounds of golf at Ardglass Golf Links & Royal County Down

Championship Course

Package Includes:

- 6 nights accommodations, 3 each at Inishowen Gateway Hotel, Buncrana and Ramada Hotel, Portrush (based on double occupancy)
- 5 Rounds of Championship Links Golf at: Royal Portrush Golf Club – Dunluce; Portstewart Golf Club – Strand; Ballyliffin Golf Club – Glashedy; Rosapenna Golf Club – Sandy Hills; and Portsalon Golf Club.
- Welcome Cocktail Reception and Dinner on first night
- Farewell Dinner with Prize Presentation
- Lunch at each golf course all five days
- All transportation throughout via Luxury Motorcoaches including beverages on board
- On-site Event Representatives throughout your stay

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Price per person land only

Double occupancy: \$2,995.00

Single occupancy: \$3,390.00

Optional Round Ballyliffin Old Course Arrival Day: \$115.00

Space is limited to 80 North American Golfers.
To reserve your space in this exciting fun-filled event, call:



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