



Sport, show & party with more than 1,000 spectators

James Tait gained the entry ticket for the World Long Drive Championship

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The winners of the second German Long Drive Championship are known. On the occasion of the Final Four of the KRAMSKI Deutsche Golf Liga (German Golf League) presented by Audi, the best long hitters in the women's and men's divisions have been determined on the driving range of the Kölner Golfclub at German's biggest Long Drive event. James Tait prevailed against the competition with a driving distance of 394 yards. This also means that the long drive professional from Scotland saved the spot for the World Long Drive Championship held in Texas at the end of August. Helen Tamy Kreuzer was the winner in the women's division, her driving distance was 283 yards.

The second edition of the German Long Drive Championship was attended by 22 women and 68 men including some national and international long drive professionals. In the women's final, two amateurs competed against each other in a tough match. In the end, Helen Tamy Kreuzer defeated Mara Bambach (281 yards) with a difference of only two yards. Moreover, Kreuzer hit the longest drive of the day among the women with a 290-yard drive. The two amateurs were presented with a Samsonite trolley suitcase and an Audi Sport 2-in-1 Alcantara bag of Audi, the official partner of the German Long Drive Championship. Last year's winner Lara Lehnstaedt, a teaching professional, ranked third and gladly received a prize money of € 500. The two long drive professionals, James Tait and Martin Borgmeier, competed in the men's final. Tait hit the ball 394 yards, thus defeating Borgmeier (386 yards). Tait received a winner's cheque of € 2,500, the runner-up Borgmeier was glad about the prize money of € 1,500. With an impressive 422-yard drive, Borgmeier furthermore achieved the longest drive of the day in the men's division. The long drive professional Jordan Brooks from England took the third place with a 379-yard drive and was presented with a winner's cheque of € 1,000. The best amateur in the men's division was Marcel Baumgard with a driving distance of 361 yards.

True to the motto "sport, show & party", a lot was offered to the participants and spectators. Apart from a professional set-up with grand stand, entrance gateway, video wall, container with DJ platform, stand with interview sofa and various booths of the partners (HIRZL, Punchline Golf, DRIVERiD, Arno Roch and Kivini Golf), the two-time world champion Joe Miller and golf juggling artist Romain Bechu impressed all attendees with long hits and trick shots.

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Ski-jump legend and four-time ski-jump world champion, Martin Schmitt, was present on site as co-moderator and provided interesting insights in the similarities of ski jumping and long drive.

All long drive enthusiasts and those interested who could not attend the event had the possibility to watch the second German Long Drive Championship via the live streams on Golf.de and Sportdeutschland.TV.

For more information go to www.germanlongdrive.de, Facebook (www.facebook.com/germanlongdrive) and Instagram (www.instagram.com/germanlongdrive).

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Impressions of the German Long Drive Championship 2018, Source: Frank Föhlinger

The winners – Helen Tamy Kreuzer and James Tait, Source: Frank Föhlinger

Martin Schmitt and Martin Borgmeier, Source: Frank Föhlinger

Joe Miller and Romain Bechu, Source: Frank Föhlinger

About the German Long Drive Championship

The longest driver (women and men) will be determined at the German Long Drive Championship. All longhitters (male & female, amateur & professional, younger & elder), who are member of an official golf association or member of an association for golf professionals and can hit the ball at least 250 m (men) respectively 190 m (woman) can participate in the German Long Drive Championship. Besides, all longhitters, who play at a recognized tour, are eligible. After a qualifying and a main round (only in the men's division) the best women and men will enter the round of the last sixteen. From then, the matches will be played in matchplay format (woman against woman / man against man). The players ranked one to three will receive gift prizes or prize money according to their status (amateur or professional). Additionally, the winner of the men's division will receive a spot at the World Long Drive Championship.

About the Deutsche Golf Sport GmbH

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