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## Golf industry enjoys a MEGA night out



THE 2014 Middle East Golf Awards was a glittering red carpet affair with the great and the good of the golf

industry out in force for an evening of hotly contested awards, fine food and cheer in excellent company.

The latest installment of the region's premier golf awards evening was dubbed the 'Players Edition' with a greater focus on the region's golfers than last year's inaugural event.

Scooping the coveted award for Best Male Amateur was **Michael Harradine**, while

Sana Tufail was the deserved recipient of the corresponding ladies' award. Ahmad Marjane was named Best Arab Amateur and Oman's Hamood Al Harthy won Best Young Arab Talent of the Year.

In a keenly fought category the DP World Tour Championship at Jumeirah Golf Estates won the award for Best Professional Golf Event (Fan Experience) while the National Bank of Oman was recognised with a special award for the sterling job it did in promoting the second installment of the National Bank of Oman Golf Classic.

"We're delighted to win the MEGAS," said Nick Tarratt, Director of The European Tour, International, Dubai Office, who collected the DP World Tour Championship award

alongside Jumeirah Golf Estates General Manager, Club Operations, Neal Graham.

"It has always been a priority in the six tournaments to date to engage with fans, whether to attract them with free tickets and provide a variety of entertainment on site for both golf fans and non golf fans, or through engagement with social media prior, during and after the tournament."

Martin Duff of Sharjah Golf & Shooting Club was named Golf Director of the Year while the team at Yas Links were smiling from ear to ear after picking up two awards.

Chris White won General Manager of the Year while Yas was also voted Best Overall Club Experience (Players Choice).

"We're ecstatic, proud and honoured," said White.



Sharjah Golf and Shooting Club's Martin Duff picks up his well deserved award for Golf Director of the Year.



National Bank of Oman's special award is collected by Sanjay Malhotra, General Manager, Retail & Private Banking, National Bank of Oman.



Chris White of Yas Links is all smiles after being voted General Manager of the Year. Yas Links also won Best Overall Club Experience.



Nick Tarratt and Neal Graham are presented with the DP World Tour Championship's award for Best Professional Golf Event by Didier Brun, Publisher of Sport 360.



**Michael Harradine** receives the award for Best Male Amateur from Worldwide Golf's General Manager, Dubai, Rick Bevan.