

Awards for Harradine and Hawtree

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T<u>he EIGCA</u> (European Institute of Golf Course Architects) held its Annual Meeting at The Tivoli Hotel in Copenhagen last week – a sell-out event which in addition to members was attended by Patrons, Partners and invited media.

Caspar Grauballe, EIGCA Presidemt, presented Outstanding Contribution Awards to Martin Hawtree and Peter Harradine.

He said, "We introduced this award last year to recognize an individual/s within the EIGCA community for their contribution to furthering the work of the Institute and golf course design profession.

"Both these recipients represent families for whom the major contribution made to the Institute, its predecessor organisations, and golf course design are undeniable.

"The Hawtree name has been associated with golf course design for over 100 years. Martin Hawtree is the third generation in his family to practice as a golf course architect, after his grandfather, Fredrick Senior, started the business in 1912, mainly working with James Braid. Frederick Junior took over the firm when his father passed away in 1955, closing the construction side and concentrating on golf course design. Martin joined in 1973, taking over the practice from his father in 1984.

"The Hawtree firm has been associated with the building or remodelling of over 500 courses, with their work spread across 4 continents.

"Martin's Dad, Fred Jr, was one of the four founders of the first association of professional golf course architects, along with CK Cottom, J Hamilton Strutt and Donald Harradine, the British Association of Golf Course Architects, which became the British Institute in the early 1990s.

"Martin has been involved with the Institute and its predecessors since 1985. The foundations for a future European Association were laid in 1994 with the signing of the first Protocol Alliance when Martin was President of the British Institute of Golf Course Architects."



Martin Hawtree

Announcing the award to Peter Harradine, Caspar said, "The name of Hockey / Harradine has been associated with golf course design since the early 1920s. Albert Hockey remodelled his first course in 1920 before moving his family including stepson Don Harradine to Switzerland in 1925. Don designed courses, mainly in Europe and was joined in the business by Peter in the 1960s.

"Father and son worked together until Don retired in 1980. Peter has built courses across the globe, having personally designed and co-designed over 180 golf courses in Europe, Africa, Middle East and Asia.

"The Harradine dynasty has been entwined with EIGCA since before its inception. From his father's involvement in the formation of the British Association of Golf Course Architects, along with Martin's father, Fred William Hawtree, Peter was an important part of the formation of EIGCA in 2000, and was President from 2002-2004.



Peter Harradine

"The Harradine name and tradition in golf course design continues with Peter's son Michael, the 4th generation of the family working in golf course design. Michael is here today and works for Harradine Golf in Dubai. He is also a graduate of our education programme, graduating with distinction in 2021."

Among the Partners to be welcomed by EIGCA at the Partners Dinner on the previous evening was DSV UK Limited – represented by Hamish Crichton (pictured). Additional Partners welcomed were: IDBD, P Quinn Construction Limited and Surtec Golf Agronomy.