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Davis and Tarratt claim titles at Summer Open

Impressive rounds from Kamps, Wasserman and Mills as well

Staff Report

Dubai Chris Davis and Nick Tarratt were crowned gross and net champion, respectively, in the Greg Norman Collection Summer Open at The Desert Course, Arabian Ranches yesterday.

Seventeen-year-old Davis (DCGYC) shot a gross 72 and Tarratt (UGA) had a net 71 off his 3 handicap.

Play was from the genuine Gold Tee Course which measured 7146 yards par 72. Conditions were demanding in the hot and breezy conditions and the dry true and firm greens that ran at least 10 on the stimp. A field of 89 players competed in the tournament starting from holes 1 & 10 in a two tee format.

Davis' card consisted of an impressive 2 birdies, 14 pars and bogies on 17 and the par 4 fifth hole at 445 yards playing uphill into the teeth of a fresh wind.

Genuinely tired

Tarratt, playing in the match ahead of Davis, from the 1st hole, was one under gross after 10 holes but then a bogey, double bogey, bogey run over the next 3 holes unsettled his game. He finished strongly, looking genuinely tired and was one under for his last 5 holes.

Impressive scores were also returned by Butch Kamps (EGC) with a 75, Johann Wasserman (TDC) and de-



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Here we go ...

Christopher Davis (with the club), the overall winner of the Greg Norman Collection Summer Open, with other winners, sponsors and organisers during the presentation ceremony at The Desert Course in Arabian Ranches.

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fending champion John Mills (AG) with 76's and TDC Club Champion Nick Hopwood a 77. Notable nets came from Jason Grimley (10) with a 72, Doug McLennan and Andrew Trebilco

both with 73's in this non-qualifier for handicap.

Elliott Gray commented: "The rounds today from Davis, Tarratt, Kamps, Wasserman and Mills were spectacular. The course was set up playing its full length and we never really expected scoring of this caliber.

"We are extremely grateful to our Title Sponsor - Pro-golf, distributor of the Greg Norman Clothing Collection in the Middle East. To add extra flavour to the event we had three great support sponsors, *Gulf News*, Byrne and Xerox."

Results: S. Davis (DCGYC) - 72; N. Tarratt (UGA) - 74; B. Kamps (EGC) - 75; J. Wasserman (TDC) - 76; J. Mills (AG) - 76; N. Hopwood (TDC) - 77.