TEAM IRELAND – Ladies & Gents European Champions 2025



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******Both our Ladies and Gents are the 2025 European Champions*******

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Ireland celebrated a double victory at the European Pitch and Putt Championships held over the weekend in **Lucan**, **Dublin**, as both the **Men's and Women's national teams** secured top honours in a historic tournament featuring elite teams from across Europe.

The Irish Gents Team, led by Manager Paddy Kelly (Trim), successfully retained their European title, delivering a dominant performance throughout the championship. Catalonia finished in second place, while Great Britain claimed third spot on the podium. The Irish squad showcased exceptional talent and unity, affirming their status as Europe's top team in the sport. Ireland are current World Champions.

The team was represented by some of Ireland's finest players:

- Damien Fleming (Deerpark P&P Club, Kerry)
- Kieran Earls (Bruff P&P Club, Limerick)
- John Walsh (Collins P&P Club, Cork)
- Eamon Gibney (Castletown P&P Club, Meath)
- Stephen Shoer (Riverdale P&P Club, Tipperary)
- Stephen O'Reilly (Hillview P&P Club, Tipperary)

Making history of their own, the **Irish Ladies Team**, managed by **Ger Holland (RGSC)**, clinched victory in the **inaugural Women's European Championship**, overcoming strong competition to defeat **Catalonia** in the final. This marks a significant milestone for women's participation in the sport at the international level.

Representing Ireland in the women's competition were:

- Chrissy Byrne (Ryston P&P Club, Kildare)
- Tara Dillon (Ryston P&P Club, Kildare)
- Amy Galvin (Tullamore P&P Club,Offaly)

This weekend's results are not only a tremendous achievement for the Irish teams but also a proud moment for Irish sport and the sport of **Pitch and Putt**. The event showcased the

growing popularity and competitive spirit of the sport across Europe, and Ireland once again proved its excellence on the international stage.

Irish Team





Team Manager Paddy Kelly with Eamon Gibney



Ladies Team – Chrissie Sheedy, Tara Dillon & Amy Galvin, with Team Captain Ger Holland



Gents Team – Damien Fleming, John Walsh, Eamon Gibney , Kieran earls, Stephen Shoer, Stephen O'Reilly and Team Captain Paddy Kelly



Team Captains – Ger Holland and Paddy Kelly

