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LET Merit leader Tamburlini stays focussed at HWIO

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Gurugram: For one so young and only in her rookie season of the Ladies European Tour, Swiss star Chiara Tamburlini exudes a lot of confidence. With three wins this season she has more or less sewn up the 2024 LET Order of Merit. Yet, she does not let her confidence spill into the 'treacherous' zone called overconfidence ahead of the 2024 Hero Women's Indian Open.

Of the dozen players who have won on the LET in either 2023 or 2024, none has done it more than once. The only exception being Tamburlini. The last seven winners of the HWIO won their maiden LET title in India but Tamburlini could well end that streak this week.

On her maiden visit to India, with only two events to go after this week, Tamburlini is 992 points clear of her nearest rival, Manon De Roey, But Tamburlini, 69th in the world and winner last week, is not taking the foot off the accelerator.

Tamburlini said, "Yes, it is my goal to win the Order of Merit. All I can do is try and hit every shot as good as I can. I can't control what other people do. I'm just going to try and do my best."

That simple attitude has fetched her great rewards – three wins and a bunch of Top-10s in 2024. It was a logical transition from an LET Access (2nd rung Tour to LET) season



in 2023 that had two wins and six other Top-10s.

She was again modest, "Thad a good year on LET Access last year. I just tried to become better at everything. It's a game where you can always get better."

The field has 27 Indians, including five amateurs. The big Indian hopes include double Olympian Diksha Dagar, third last year, Tvesa Malik, a former Top-tenner, and Hero WPGT topper, Hitaashee Bakshi.

Diksha said, "It feels amazing to come back here and I'm very happy to see my friends and peers from the LET. The DLF course is one of the most challenging golf courses I have played on ."

Tvesa, for whom DLF is the home course, added, "It's always nice to be back here at DLF I don't know if I've just been gone too long or if the course has gotten tougher. I've dreamt of doing well at this event for a very, very long time and it's always going to be the ultimate goal."

HINDUSTAN TIMES

Will 7-year wait for a home winner end at Indian Open?

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GURUGRAM: The last time an Indian won the Hero Women's Indian Open (HWIO) was back in 2016 when an 18-year-old Aditi Ashok, fresh from her maiden Olympics in Rio de Janeiro, held off America's two-time major champion Brittany Lincicome to prevail by a stroke.

The win marked a seminal moment in the history of women's golf in India for it was the first occasion of an Indian winning a Ladies European Tour (LET) event.

While Aditi won't be in action when the 16th iteration of the tournament tees off at the DLF Golf and Country Club here on Thursday -- she is competing on the PGA Tour -- a bunch of Indian girls will be hoping to end the seven-year wait for a home winner. Leading the Indian challenge will be the experienced Diksha Dagar, an in-form Tvesa Malik, and the up-and-coming teenager Hitaashee Bakshi.

Dagar, by virtue of her pedigree and a very creditable third-place finish here last season, will bear home hopes. The 23-year-old is the only Indian besides Aditi to win on the European Tour -- she has two wins to her name -- but is battling indifferent form. "It's high time we have an Indian winner here," the two-time Olympian said.

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European tour event

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Tvesa Malik, who recorded her maiden win on the Sunshine Ladies Tour earlier this year -- a three-stroke triumph at the SuperSport Ladies Challenge -besides finishing second at the VP Bank Swiss Ladies Open where she lost to England's Alice Hewson in a playoff will be another Indian to watch out for.

"I think it is definitely an advantage to have played here before," said Malik. "The more you see the golf course, you understand where it's okay to miss. And I think it can be visually very daunting when you come here for the first time to play. I think we have that advantage. It's definitely playing firmer and faster this year and I think that would be a challenge."

Besides the monetary impetus, a win here has the potential to unlock unexplored pathways for Indian golfers. Aditi's career famously took off after her HWIO win. Two weeks after winning at home, she pocketed the Qatar Ladies Open, finished the season second on the Order of Merit and won the Rookie of the Year award. She also earned the LPGA Tour card for 2017 via the LPGA Final Qualifying Tournament before coming agonisingly close to a medal at the Tokyo Olympics and winning a silver at the Hangzhou Asian Games.

THE HINDU

Diksha aspires to be at her best against Chiara & Co.

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Chiara heads the Order of Merit, and needs to finish ahead of Mannon to seal her place at the top for the season. The tournament also features three past winners – Caroline Hedwall of Sweden, Camille Chevalier of France and Christine Wolf of Austria.

"My goal is to win the Order of Merit. I want to do my best and try to have fun," said Chiara.

"I am working on important aspects, as I focus on my game and try to do well," said Diksha.

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THE ASIAN AGE

Diksha to lead home challenge

Gurugram: The stage is all set for the latest edition of Women's Indian Open, which gets underway on Thursday at the DLF Golf and Country Club. With 114 players from 31 nations, many of whom have been recent winners on the Ladies European Tour, the \$ 400,000 tournament is set for a battle royale.

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TOP STORY

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Much of the attention though will be on Tamburlini, who flew into Delhi after recording her third win of the season in Taiwan two weeks ago to follow earlier victories in Joburg Ladies Open and Open de France.

The 24-year-old is on the threshold of sealing this year's honours and needs only to finish ahead of second placed Manon De Roey of Belgium to make sure of topping the rankings with two events still to go in Saudi Arabia and Spain.

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Amandeep Drall, who was joint second two years ago, will be hoping to find some elusive form at a venue she has dominated in the past.

LOKSATYA

फिटनेस के लिए कराटे का सहारा ले रही हैं गोल्फर दीक्षा डागर

गरुग्राम, एजेंसी। ओलंपिक में देश का प्रतिनिधित्व कर चुकी गोल्फ खिलाडी दीक्षा डागर ने कहा कि वह अपने खेल के शीर्ष पर पहुंचने के लिए ताइक्वांडो और कराटे का सहारा लेकर अपनी फिटनेस और ताकत को बढा रही है। गुरुवार से यहां शुरू हो रहे हीरो वुमेंस इंडियन ओपन गोल्फ में भाग ले रही 23 साल की खिलाड़ी पेरिस ओलंपिक मे अपनी स्पर्धा से पहले सड़क दुर्घटना का शिकार हो गई थी और इसका असर उनके खेल पर भी पड़ा था। इंडियन वुमेंस ओपन गोल्फ के पिछले आयोजन मे तीसरे स्थान पर रही दीक्षा ने मंगलवार को यहां से वातचीत में कहा, ''मैं अपनी फिटनेस के साथ ताकत हासिल करने पर काम कर रही हूं। मैं इसके लिए कराटे सीख रही हूं और नियमित तौर पर जिम जा रही हूं।''

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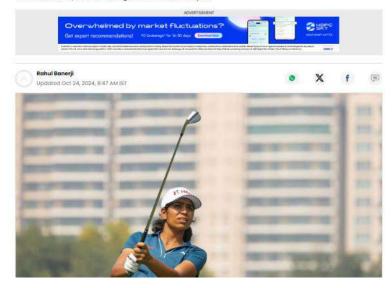
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"It would mean a lot to win. It is on my bucket list. It is one of my biggest goals. I have wanted to win this for long and it would be amazing to win this at my home. I would love it to happen."

Dagar is also a two-time Olympian having played at the Tokyo and Paris Summer Games. On Tuesday, she emerged winner of the Hero Shot skills challenge, and followed that up by leading her team to victory in the Hero Pro-Am on Wednesday morning.

Playing alongside Diksha were former Army chief of staff General Manoj Narvane, Air Marshal R.K. Anand and her father, Col Narinder Dagar.

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The US \$400,000 tournament, which will end on October 27, has been co-sanctioned with the Ladies European Tour since 2010 and this year has a long list of players who have won multiple titles on the LET.

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The Indian Hero Women's Professional Golf Tour stars to keep an eye on will be Hitaashee Bakshi, Vani Kapoor, Gaurika Bishnoi, Amandeep Drall and Ridhima Dilawari. The list of 114 players includes 27 Indians, three of whom – Diksha Dagar, Pranavi Urs and Tvesa Malik Sandhu – are regulars on the LET. A few others have a status on the world's second-biggest golf Tour for women.

The 26 of the Top-50 in the Order of Merit include the Top-2 – Swiss Chiara Tamburlini and Belgian Manon De Roey and there are five players from the Top-10 and eight in the Top-15.

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Diksha Dagar won the Czech Ladies Open for her second Ladies European Tour (LET) title last year and is the only Indian woman golfer besides Asian Games silver medallist Aditi Ashok to win two or more LET titles.

Aditi Ashok and Indian Open 2023 champion Aline Krauter of Germany are not competing this year.

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Diksha, a two-time Deaflympics medallist, is ranked 22nd on the Order of Merit and finished third in the Indian Open last year. Indian golfers Pranavi Urs and Tvesa Malik Sandhu are also in the field.

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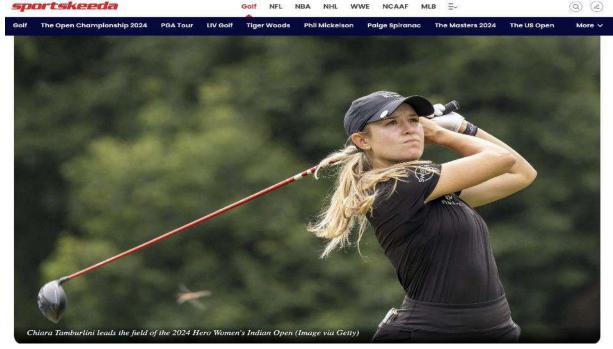
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The Tribune

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- Women's Indian Open: Will 7-year wait for a home winner end?
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International Stars to Watch

Notable international players include Chiara Tamburlini from Switzerland, Manon De Roey from Belgium, and Caroline Hedwall from Sweden. These players are among the top-ranked in the LET Order of Merit.

ONE TURF

https://www.oneturf.news/golf/star-studded-field-led-by-diksha-dagar-chiara-tamburlini-to-tee-off-at-womens-indian-open-2024-9226



The stage is all set for the latest edition of the Women's Indian Open, which gets underway on Thursday at the DLF Golf and Country Club. With 114 players from 31 nations, many of whom have been recent winners of the Ladies European Tour (LET), the tournament is set for a battle royale. The USD 400,000 tournament to be held from October 24 to 27 has been co-sanctioned with the Ladies European Tour since 2010 and this year has a long list of players who have won multiple titles on the LET.

Chiara Tamburlini (Switzerland), Manon De Roey (Belgium), Caroline Hedwall (Sweden), Lee-Anne Pace (South Africa) and Trichat Cheenglab (Thailand) will be among the internationals to watch out for. The Indian challenge will feature Diksha Dagar, only the second Indian to have tasted success on the LET, upcoming star Pranavi Urs and the experienced Tvesa Malik Sandhu.

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Tamburlini the one to beat at Hero Women's Indian Open

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Two-time Olympian Diksha Dagar emerged winner of the US \$10,000 Hero Shot skills challenge at the DLF Golf and Country Club here today beating seven challengers who will line up for the Hero Women's Indian Open in two days.

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The Tokyo and Paris Olympian came through the quarter-finals in second place with 175 points behind England's Alice Hewson who scored an impressive 300 points in the challenge that needed participants to put the ball as close to the pin on the 18th hole with three scoring circles around the flag hitting from 80 yards out.

Spain's Nuria Iturrioz with 165 points and Tvesa Malik were the two others to enter the semi-finals at the expense of Hitaashee Bakshi, former HWIO champion Christine Wolf of Austria and another past winner, Caroline Hedwall of Sweden.

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Indian sports wrap, October 22: Diksha Dagar wins Shot skills challenge; Cyclone Dana postpones Junior Athletics meet

Two-time Olympian Diksha Dagar won the Hero Shot skills challenge and pocketed \$4,000 in a competition featuring eight players assembled for the \$400,000 Hero Women's Indian Open at the DLF Golf and Country Club on Tuesday.

In the final, two-time Ladies European Tour winner Diksha beat compatriot Tvesa Malik, in getting the ball closest to the pin from 110 yards on the 18th hole.

The two Indian players beat Spain's Nuria Iturrioz and England's Alice Hewson in the semifinals, after having emerged among the top four in the quarterfinals when the competition was from 80 yards.

The runner-up got \$2,000, while the semifinalists (\$1000) and quarterfinalists (\$500) shared the rest of the prize from a total purse of \$10,000.

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Top Ranked Golfer, Diksha Dagar set to lead Hero Women's Indian Open 2024

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Diksha Dagar, India's top-ranked golfer on the Ladies European Tour (LET), is set to lead the home challenge at the Hero Women's Indian Open 2024. She will compete in the tournament, which will be held at the DLF Golf and Country Club in Gurugram from 24 to 27 October 2024. Being a strong contender, Diksha is ranked 22nd on the LET Order of Merit and finished 3rd last year in this tournament.

The 25-year-old Diksha started playing golf at a young age inspired by her father who is also her caddie. She has represented India in the 2020 Tokyo Olympics and 2024 Paris Olympics. She has secured victory in the LET tournament and Hero Women's Indian Open 2019. She is skilled in tee shots, approach shots, and putting. Diksha mentioned, "Short game, especially putting, is going to be tough. You have to be good at course management. You should know where to place the ball. You don't want to end up on the wrong side here. This is a course that challenges all aspects of your game." She adds, "The deep-faced bunkers, undulating and narrow fairways, water hazards and sharp bends approaching several greens, choice of shots and accuracy off the tee will be crucial."

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दीक्षा डागर ने हीरो महिला इंडियन ओपन से पहले 'हीरो शॉट' कौशल चुनौती जीती BY: RAJESH KHANNA / ON: OCTOBER 22, 2024 / WITH: 0 COMMENTS

दो बार की ओलंपियन दीक्षा डागर आज यहां डीएलएफ गोल्फ एंड कंट्री क्लब में 10,000 अमेरिकी डॉलर के हीरो शॉट कौशल चैलेंज की विजेता बनीं, उन्होंने सात चैलेंजर्स को हरा दिया, जो दो दिनों में हीरो महिला इंडियन ओपन के लिए लाइन में खड़ी होंगी।

टोक्यो और पेरिस ओलंपियन क्वार्टर फाइनल में 175 अंकों के साथ इंग्लैंड के एलिस हेवसन के बाद दूसरे स्थान पर रहे, जिन्होंने चुनौती में प्रभावशाली 300 अंक बनाए, जिसमें प्रतिभागियों को तीन स्कोरिंग सर्कल के साथ 18 वें होल पर गेंद को पिन के करीब रखना था। इंडे के चारों ओर 80 गज की दूरी से प्रहार।

165 अंकों के साथ स्पेन की नूरिया इटुरियोज़ और त्वेसा मलिक दो अन्य थीं जिन्होंने हिताशी बख्शी, ऑस्ट्रिया की पूर्व एचडब्ल्यूआईओ चैंपियन क्रिस्टीन वुल्फ और एक अन्य पूर्व विजेता स्वीडन की कैरोलिन हेडवाल की कीमत पर सेमीफाइनल में प्रवेश किया।

इसके बाद दीक्षा और त्वेसा ने सेमीफाइनल में हेवसन और इटुरियोज़ पर जीत हासिल की, जबकि दूरी 100 गज तक बढ़ गई, लेकिन 110 गज की दूरी से सेट किए गए फाइनल में दो बार की लेडीज यूरोपियन टूर विजेता डागर ने मलिक को हरा दिया।