

# Bahrain finish strong in Arab golf

Kingdom's hopefuls claim fourth place overall in teams' ranking while three players ranked in top 10 of individual classification at end of 41st Pan Arab Men Golf Championship

● **Bahrainis miss out on teams' podium of Tunisia, Egypt and Saudi Arabia**

● **Fahad Al Hakam, Ahmed Al Zayed and Khalifa Al Merisi all finish in top 10**

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Bahrain wrapped up their fantastic campaign yesterday in the 41st Pan Arab Men Golf Championship by finishing fourth overall in the teams' competition while boasting three players in the final individual rankings' top 10.

Fahad Al Hakam and Ahmed Al Zayed were seventh and eighth, respectively, while Khalifa Al Merisi was classified 10th after 72 holes of play at La Cigale Tabarka Golf course in Tunisia.

The host Tunisians were crowned team champions after finishing the

four-day tournament with a total of 898 strokes from their top three players.

Egypt followed as the silver-medallists with a 916 score, while Saudi Arabia took the final podium place and the bronze medals with a 925 total.

Bahrain in fourth had a 938 aggregate, while Qatar (976) were fifth, the UAE (1,008) sixth, Palestine (1,009) seventh and Lebanon (1,011) eighth.

The final team rankings were rounded out by Libya (1,021) in ninth, Iraq (1,037) in 10th, Oman (1,039) in 11th and Kuwait (1,057) in 12th.

In the individual classification, Al Hakam was Bahrain's best finisher in seventh with a 23-over-par 311 total score from the four rounds. He carded a five-over 77 yesterday over the last 18 holes, completing a consistent performance that saw him score 77, 79 and 78 over the first three days.

Al Zayed followed in eighth place after going just one shot behind Al Hakam. He had an eight-over-par 80 yesterday to go with his other totals of 81, 75 and 76 for the 312 overall.



Bahrain's Fahad Al Hakam competes in Tunisia

Al Merisi was a further four shots back with a 28-over-par 316 total from



**Tunisia capture a fine double in the tournament, as Elyas Barhoumi came away with the individual crown to add to their team success**

four rounds. He carded a 77 yesterday, adding to his other scores of 84, 75 and 80.

Bahrain's fourth player in the competition, Khalifa Duaj Al Kaabi, finished ranked 15th from the 48 players who started the event. Al Kaabi had a 78 yesterday to finish with a 38-over-par 326 total. His scores from the first three days were 85, 82 and 81.

Elyas Barhoumi was crowned champion, ensuring that the home team Tunisians came away with a championship double.

Barhoumi was a class above the rest of the field, finishing as the only player to go below par.

He had an impressive two-under 286 total from four days, carding a one-over 73 yesterday to add to his other marks of 71, 70 and 72.

Saoud Abdallah Al Sherif from Saudi was the individual silver-medallist after completing the event three shots behind. He finished one-over-par 289 after also scoring 73 yesterday.

Issa Abu El Ela from Egypt clinched the bronze with a four-over 292 total, playing an even-par 72 over the final 18 holes.

The tournament took place under the umbrella of the Arab Golf Federation, and was sanctioned by The R&A.

The Kingdom's delegation in Tunisia was headed by Captain Adel Ali Al Fayyad, and included Spanish head coach Gabriel Sota.

## BIC launches amazing 15pc discount on tickets to Bahrain Darts Masters 2023

● **Discount available until 18 December, with general admission starting at just BD 21.25 for two day ticket**

● **Debut of the Bahrain Darts Masters will see the world's best players in action, including the current world champion and the number 1 ranked player**

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Fans celebrate during a darts championship (file photo)

BIC, will showcase the world's best players in the PDC World Series of Darts.

The Bahrain Darts Masters will mark the opening round of the world series' 2023 calendar. It will comprise two days of competition, with eight top players battling out—including reigning World Champion Peter "Snakebite" Wright and world number one Gerwyn "The Ice-man" Price.

For the two-day event, the Dome tent at BIC will be transformed into a darts venue, taking inspiration from the world-renowned Alexandra Palace in London, the home of the World Championships. Fans can expect an atmosphere like never seen before in Bahrain, with a wide food and beverage offering, amazing darts enter-

tainment and the inevitable fancy dress outfits.

Tickets to the Bahrain Darts Masters start at BD21.25 for General Admission for the two days. Premium seating is also available with hospitality options comprising a full two-day experience inclusive of food and beverages.

BIC is offering its discount of 15 per cent for both General Admission and Premium tickets.

Fans are urged to book quickly as the venue has limited capacity and to take full advantage of BIC's fantastic deal.

Complete details on tickets can be found at [bahraingp.com](http://bahraingp.com) and all tickets can be bought via the website or through BIC's Hotline on +973-17450000.

The Bahrain Darts Masters will be broadcast live to a TV



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## Drag and Drift Nights back for double the excitement



A car drifts at BIC (file photo)  
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Bahrain International Circuit (BIC) continues its season-long programme of thrilling fan activities with the latest edition of the Ebrahim K Kanoo Drag and Drift Nights today.

BIC's world-class quarter-mile drag strip and vast vehicle dynamics area will both be lit up with action from 6pm to 11pm.

The widely popular double-header gives speed enthusiasts the opportunity to take their very own cars or motorbikes and push them to their limits or put on an amazing display of power sliding. There is also the option for participants to enjoy both experiences, making for twice the thrills in one action-packed event at "The Home of Motorsport in the Middle East".

The BIC strip is highly regarded as one of the best in all of drag racing, and it is a part of the prestigious Worldwide Network under the banner of the US-based National Hot Rod Association (NHRA).

Both the drag and the drift can be enjoyed for a single fee of BD11. Participation in just the drag racing or just the drifting costs BD8.

Registration for participants will be done on site from 5pm. Those who would like to ex-

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perience the drag or drift as a passenger can get into a participant's car for an additional BD4.500.

Spectators can purchase tickets online at BIC's official website [bahraingp.com](http://bahraingp.com) for BD2 apiece to watch all the action. Tickets for children aged 12 and below are BD1 each.

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Fans will have a chance to get a taste of pure speed as they are taken from zero to 100kph in just one second while seated in a Top Dragster. The Dragster Experience is available at BD44 for the first passenger while the second passenger can get 50 per cent off.

For more information on the event, visit [bahraingp.com](http://bahraingp.com) or call the BIC Hotline on +973-17-450000.

## Lyon takes six as Australia win 1st Test against West Indies

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Spin king Nathan Lyon bagged six wickets, including century-maker Kraigg Brathwaite, as Australia ground down a gutsy West Indies to win the first Test in Perth by 164 runs yesterday.

Spin king Nathan Lyon took the match into a final day with a defiant overnight 101 after Australia declared their second innings at 182-2 on day four, couldn't keep the momentum going against Lyon and was bowled for 110.

Skipper Brathwaite, who



Australia's Nathan Lyon (C) celebrates a wicket