# Peace Cup

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The **Peace Cup** is an invitational pre-season friendly football tournament for club teams, currently held every two years by the Sunmoon Peace Football Foundation.[1] It is contested by the eight clubs from several continents, though 12 teams participated in 2009. The first three competitions were held in South Korea, and the 2009 Peace Cup Andalucia was held in Madrid and Andalusia, Spain.[2][3] Previous winners are PSV, Tottenham Hotspur, Lyon, Aston Villa, and Hamburger SV who are current champions.

The tournament was originally organised and held in South Korea and contested in 2003, 2005, and 2007 between eight clubs from various countries, including the Seongnam Ilhwa Chunma, which is owned by the organizing company.

A corresponding event featuring women's national teams, the Peace Queen Cup, began in 2006.[4]

|  Peace Cup | |
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| **Founded** | 2003 |
| **Abolished** | 2012 |
| **Region** | International |
| **Last champions** | 🇩🇪 Hamburger SV (1st) |
| **Most successful club(s)** | 🇫🇷 Olympique Lyonnais (1st) |
| **Website** | www.peacecup.com (http://www.peacecup.com) |
| | ⚽ *2012 Peace Cup* |

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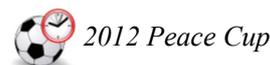
# History and Cup format

### Origins In The City Of Rome

The origin of the Peace cup is in a tournament that was held in Stadio Olimpico in Rome on September 10, 2000. 3 teams participated: AS Roma, Beitar Jerusalem, AlWaqass From Jordan. All 3 games were held in the same evening, each had 45 minutes length. Scores: Beitar Jerusalem -> AlWaqass 7-0: Scorers: Yaniv Abargil 3, Alon Mizrahi 2, Benjamin Haddad 1, Umar AlJabbaar 1 (OG), AS Roma -> AlWaqass 13:0: Scorers: Abel Balbo 4, Damiano Tommasi 1, Gaetano D'Agostino 2, Vincenzo Montella 6, AS roma ->

Beitar Jerusalem 0-1: Scorer Yaniv Abargil. Beitar Jerusalem won the cup.[5][6][7]

The second time that the Peace cup was held was also in Rome: held in September 3, 2001. 3 teams participated: ASEC Abidjan From Ivory Coast, Maccabi Haifa, SS Lazio. 3 games were held in the same evening, each had 45 minutes length. Scores: SS Lazio -> Maccabi Haifa 4:0: Scorrers: S. Inzaghi, Cesar, Berrettoni, Iván de la Peña, ASEC Abidjan -> Maccabi haifa 1:0: Scorrer: Kante Seydou, SS Lazio -> ASEC Abidjan 1:3: Scorers: F. Couto (SS Lazio) ; Kone Bakari, Beugre Haiba, Kossi (ASEC Abidjan). ASEC Abidjan won the cup.[8]

### New Format Made by South Koreans

Since 2003, the Peace Cup is being held every two years, the Sunmoon Peace Football Foundation invites football clubs from various nations. South Korea's Seongnam Ilhwa Chunma participates in every tournament as both the club and foundation are sponsored by the same organization, the Unification Church.

From 2003 to 2007, the Peace Cup was played between eight clubs, divided into two groups of four teams. The winner of each group qualified for the final, which was played in a single match. 2009 Peace Cup Andalucia was held in Spain, and 12 teams participated in the competition.

The fifth competition took place in South Korea in July 2012.[9] In October 2012 it was announced that the Peace Cup will no longer be held, following the death of Unification Church founder Sun Myung Moon.[10]

## Controversy over naming

The original name of the competition was to be **Sunmoon Peace Cup**, named after Sun Myung Moon, the founder of the Sunmoon Peace Football Foundation. However, after being criticized that it was too religious, the organization changed its named to **World Peace King Cup** and started preparation for its first tournament. Before the inauguration of the cup, the Asian Football Confederation warned that the term "world" can only be used by competitions organized by FIFA, and "king" can be used by competitions held by a kingdom.[11]

## Prize

From 2003 to 2007, the prize money of the tournament was approximately €2 million for the winning team[12][13] and €500,000 for the runners-up.[12]

## Results

### Summaries of previous tournaments

| Year | Final[14] | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | Winner | Score | Runner-up |
| 2003 | 🇳🇱 **PSV Eindhoven** | 1–0 | 🇫🇷 Olympique Lyonnais |
| 2005 | 🏴󠁧󠁢󠁥󠁮󠁧󠁿 **Tottenham Hotspur** | 3–1 | 🇫🇷 Olympique Lyonnais |
| 2007 | 🇫🇷 **Olympique Lyonnais** | 1–0 | 🏴󠁧󠁢󠁥󠁮󠁧󠁿 Bolton Wanderers |
| 2009 | 🏴󠁧󠁢󠁥󠁮󠁧󠁿 **Aston Villa** | 0–0 (aet) (4–3 on penalties) | 🇮🇹 Juventus |
| 2012 | 🇩🇪 **Hamburger SV** | 1–0 | 🇰🇷 Seongnam Ilhwa Chunma |

## Winners and finalists

| Team[14] | Titles | Runners-up |
|---|---|---|
| 🇫🇷 Olympique Lyonnais | 1 (2007) | 2 (2003, 2005) |
| 🇳🇱 PSV Eindhoven | 1 (2003) | 0 |
| 🏴󠁧󠁢󠁥󠁮󠁧󠁿 Tottenham Hotspur | 1 (2005) | 0 |
| 🏴󠁧󠁢󠁥󠁮󠁧󠁿 Aston Villa | 1 (2009) | 0 |
| 🇩🇪 Hamburger SV | 1 (2012) | 0 |
| 🏴󠁧󠁢󠁥󠁮󠁧󠁿 Bolton Wanderers | 0 | 1 (2007) |
| 🇮🇹 Juventus | 0 | 1 (2009) |
| 🇰🇷 Seongnam Ilhwa Chunma | 0 | 1 (2012) |



The trophy

# Awards

## Most Valuable Players

The **Golden ball** is awarded to the player on the basis of a vote taken among the media accredited to each Peace Cup tournament. There are also **Silver Ball** and **Bronze Ball** for the second and third best players respectively.[15]

| Year | Golden Ball | Silver Ball | Bronze Ball |
|---|---|---|---|
| 2003 | 🇰🇷 Park Ji-Sung[16] | | |
| 2005 | 🇮🇪 Robbie Keane | 🇪🇬 Mido | 🇰🇷 Lee Young-Pyo |
| 2007 | 🇫🇷 Karim Benzema | 🇫🇮 Jussi Jääskeläinen | 🇫🇷 Nicolas Anelka |
| 2009 | 🏴󠁧󠁢󠁥󠁮󠁧󠁿 Ashley Young | 🇧🇷 Hulk | 🏴󠁧󠁢󠁥󠁮󠁧󠁿 Marc Albrighton |
| 2012 | 🇸🇪 Marcus Berg | | |

## Golden Shoe

| Year | Player | Team | Goals |
|------|--------|------|-------|
| 2003 | 🇳🇱 Mark van Bommel | PSV | 2 |
| 2005 | 🇮🇪 Robbie Keane | Tottenham Hotspur | 4 |
| 2007 | 🇸🇪 Kim Källström | Lyon | 2 |
| 2009 | 🇧🇷 Hulk | Porto | 3 |
| 2012 | 🇳🇱 Mitchell Schet | FC Groningen | 2 |

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