



# Sant Jordi Newsletter

196<sup>th</sup> Event

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The Sant Jordi Trophy and Category A was for Iain Morwood. The Spectrum IFA winner and also winner of the Roger Hunger Trophy was Simon Gordon. The Winner of the first Major in Category B was a clearly delighted Mark Mills. Well done to all three.

Welcome to the April 2011 Newsletter, the 196<sup>th</sup> Sant Jordi tournament marking the end of the Spectrum IFA Order of Merit year and culminating in the Most Important 'flagship' event of the year, the Sant Jordi Major. The tournament incorporated Category B into 'Major' status for the first time and we were delighted to see the three star players pictured above these line come out as eventual winners. More of these details will follow later in this Newsletter. The event was contested by 40 players on the wonderful course at Montanya where we were again made welcome by all the staff both at the club and the restaurant. As I stroll around the course I am constantly surprised by the location and the scenery through which the course meanders. We are lucky to be so privileged and when competing one is so totally concentrated on the round that you rarely pick up on some of the areas seen in the following snaps.



This snap taken just below and to the left of the ninth tee is a delight to see and highlights such a beautiful location and the care taken to manicure the course while the rock face is next to the lake between the 13<sup>th</sup> green and the 16<sup>th</sup> fairway, an area rarely visited by the players except me (with 'a wide and wild one' many moons ago), off the 16<sup>th</sup> tee.





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The view from the back of the 13<sup>th</sup> green towards the 14<sup>th</sup>. Today mastered by just one player. The direction of the prevailing breeze was easy to spot for those playing off the 17<sup>th</sup> tee.

## The Sant Jordi Hall of Fame

There were some interesting performances and Richard Rose, Simon Gordon, Iain Morewood and Mark Mills joined those members who are already in the Hall of Fame. Check our web for more details on the members or following these lines. The Present Hall of Fame members are:

### With Six or More Wins

Adrian Cox (16), Graham Nash (8), Steve Watson (8), Albert Sant (7), Michael Robson (7), Montse Sant (7), Roger Hunger (6) & Isabel Martinez (7)

### Sant Jordi or Hanslope Park Golf Society Captains

Graham Nash, Gary Peers, Mike Thom, Phil Canale, Trevor Haigh

### Order of Merit Winners

2007-2008 - Michael Robson, 2008 - (Category A) - David Cote, 2008 - (Category B) - Roy Waters, 2009-10 (Category A) - Ralph Griffin, 2009-10 (Category B) - Paul Smith, 2010-11 (Category A) - Simon Gordon, (Category B) - Richard Rose

### Sant Jordi Major Winners (since start of Order of Merit)

2007- Sant Jordi Trophy - Pau Gomez, 2007- Saint Andrews Trophy - Steve Watson, 2008 - Sant Jordi trophy - David English

2008 - Saint Andrews trophy - Adrian Cox, 2009- Sant Jordi Trophy - Ralph Griffin, 2009- Saint Andrews Trophy - Ian Skinner

2010- Saint Jordi Trophy - Michael Robson, 2010- Saint Andrews Trophy - Antonio Berraza, 2011 Saint Jordi Trophy (Category A) - Iain Morwood, (Category B) - Mark Mills

We hope to shortly produce a Sant Jordi Pin for the Hall of Fame members. More of that in later newsletters. The results of today's event were as follows:





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## The Sant Jordi Trophy 2011 (Categories A & B)

I spent the time following all the groups and I think I managed to get photographs of all the participants but I did concentrate on two groups consisting of the leaders of Category A, Simon Gordon, Steve Watson & Dani Medina. There were a few stellar moments from those who were to figure in the final standings of the Major, however greater moments came in Category A where in First place Iain Morwood handed in a magnificent 78 gross off his 12 handicap leaving a net score of 64. Iain scorecard read as follows:

The front nine: 4,3,5,3,6,3,6,4,5 (39)

The back nine: 4,4,4,5,4,5,5,3,5 (39)



Here Iain, Dani and Juan all teeing off from the ninth tee and on this occasion, all the shots ended up in the middle of the fairway. For the record, Iain scored par, Dani got a 6 and Juan a 5.

I think you will all have to agree that, on the day, his level of scoring was pretty much unbeatable. There were, however, some pretty good challenges from Dani Medina (in second spot) with 69, Juan Sanllehy (in third) with 69, followed by Albert Sant and Oligario Garcia Godo also both with 69's. Scores then fell off into the 70's where 7 participants placed their stakes. All in all, a pretty good effort from everyone.

In Category B (which this year also has major status) we saw a high stableford score of 45 from Mark Mills take top spot and the trophy. In second with 41 was Francesc Cuxart and in third with 38 was Ventura Coch. Mark's score was broken down as follows:

The front nine: 5,4,7,6,6,3,6,6,6 (49)

The back nine: 5,5,5,5,5,7,6,4, (46) Totalling 45 Points



The action in Category B Mark hitting his third to the ninth hole was followed by Francesc also with his third and Ventura with his second both on the ninth. Well done to all three top places 'stars' in the category.





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Isabel Martinez as well as taking top spot of the Spectrum IFA Order of Merit in the Female Category also wins the Sans and Sans Fine tea Merchants Voucher for her efforts. This prize courtesy of Alexandra Witty. Here we can see Isobel hitting her third into the ninth hole on her way to a narrow victory in the Female category and overall 5<sup>th</sup> in Category B. Well done to her and above all Many Thanks to Alexandra at Sans I Sans for her monthly support of Sant Jordi.



The Final standings of the Spectrum IFA Order of Merit was dominated in Category B by Richard Rose who placed himself in an unassailable position last month and therefore the boys were fighting for second and third place. In second position Mark Mills, with his victory today, jumped 5 places to second and in doing so placed Les Buchanan down to third. We were particularly delighted for Les who through illness, has been away from Sant Jordi for a few months and but for this may well have finished very a much nearer the top spot. In fourth place was a great friend of us all and Sant Jordi, Roy Waters who should be commended for his sporting approach to both the game and his colleagues and I personally thank him for his input to the group.



In first spot was Richard Rose who after some stellar performances during the year teed off today knowing he was the winner. Richard was followed in second position by Mark Mills who elevated himself to these heights by winning the event today. You can see from the photo that he is delighted with his day. Mark also collected the third place trophy on behalf of Les Buchanan from the Spectrum IFA Group representative Richard Rose. Well done to all three.





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The situation in Category A was 'Oh so very much' closer with two players in contention for the top positions. These were the leader at the start of today's event Simon Gordon, Second placed Steve Watson and third placed Dani Medina. Let's deal with them individually.

Simon Gordon: Simon has been very regular all year but has gone through 'hell and high water' with his driver over the last 3 months having changed three or four times in this period so he was brave to start the day after a week of intensive practice.

Steve Watson: Steve came into the event knowing that he had to beat Simon today by a couple of positions make up a deficit of around 150 points and he deserves the credit for coming very close with a net 75 and 8<sup>th</sup> place.

Dani Medina: Like Steve, Dani with a win today could not win the Spectrum IFA Order of Merit, but could pip Steve for second, if Steve waived. Steve did not and Dani with his second place and top score in the Order of Merit points qualifiers (as Ian Morewood could not score as he was outside the top 20) came to within just 4 points of second position.

During the round I was in contact with all three, Dani looked calm but both Steve and Simon were decidedly nervous and clearly 'hanging on to their games'. A good example of this came on the 14<sup>th</sup> hole where Simon took a 5 and Steve recovered brilliantly to make a 4. Steve made a bogey on his last hole, the 18<sup>th</sup> while Simon took a 6 on his, the 1<sup>st</sup>. Finally we ended up with the following:



In first place and winner of both the finely worked and artistic Spectrum IFA Order of Merit trophy and also the magnificent Roger Hunger Trophy to keep at home for a year. Steve Watson came home in second position followed by Dani Medina who finished just 4 points behind in third. A great performance from all three and the event was tense right to the last hole.





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## The Spectrum IFA Order of Merit (Final 2010-2011 Standings)



### Category A (Top 10)



- First Place: Simon Gordon with 3217 points\*
- Second Place: Steve Watson with 2963 points\*
- Third Place: Dani Medina with 2959 points
- Fourth Place: Roger Hunger with 2305 points\*
- Fifth Place: Ralph Griffin with 2054 points
- Sixth Place: Graham Nash with 2047 points
- Seventh Place: Juan Maestro with 1831 points
- Eighth Place: Albert Sant with 1651 points
- Ninth Place: Michael Robson with 1627 points
- Tenth Place: Juan Sanllehy with 1322 points

### Category B (Top 10)



- First Place: Richard Rose with 3758 points
- Second Place: Mark Mills with 2580 points
- Third Place: Les Buchanan with 2383 Points\*
- Fourth Place: Roy Waters with 2372 points
- Fifth Place: Derek Simes with 2310 points
- Sixth Place: Jonathan Goodman with 2232 points
- Seventh Place: Miquel Medalla with 1645 points
- Eighth Place: Francesc Cuxart with 1590 points
- Ninth Place: Victor Alvarez with 1437 points
- Tenth Place: Paul Smith with 1314 points

### The Spectrum IFA Order of Merit 2009 -2010 Category F (Top 3)



- First Place: Isabel Martinez with 3711 points
- Second Place: Montserrat Sant with 3528 points
- Third Place: Maria Dolors Tura with 780 points

*\*Best 9 results of the year count towards the Final Total*





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## Sant Jordi News

The trip to Scotland is now complete and all set for the off. If anyone still wants to come, we may be able to arrange this through the agency in St Andrews

### HOME OF GOLF – ST.ANDREW’S GOLF TOUR SCOTLAND 2011.

12<sup>TH</sup> – 19<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2011

5 DAYS OF GOLF - 7 COURSES INCLUDING “THE OLD COURSE”

LODGING AT SANT ANDREW’S UNIVERSITY IN SINGLE ROOMS WITH DOUBLE BEDS AND INCLUDING BREAKFAST

LOCAL COMPETITION AT FALKLAND GOLF CLUB AND BARBEQUE

PRIZE GIVING DINNER AT 5\* OLD COURSE HOTEL

DAY OF TOURISM IN EDINBURGH

FLIGHTS AVAILABLE DIRECT FROM BARCELONA TO EDINBURGH

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THERE IS A SEPARATE TOUR ITINERARY AVAILABLE FOR NON-PLAYING PARTNERS.

## The Sant Jordi T-Shirt for 2011

We have arranged a 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary event T-shirt for the September event and they are available to all members from small to XXXL. It would be great if all the participants in September wore theirs to the event. These are high quality textile and will be very competitively priced thanks to the kind assistance of Jonathan Goodman and Richard Rose of the Spectrum IFA group.

The shirt, seen here being modelled by our resident speaker and Sant Jordi President Graham Nash will not fade and bears the celebratory Logo (In Catalan) for the event.

If you would like one (or more) please mail Graham on [Graham.Nash6@gmail.com](mailto:Graham.Nash6@gmail.com) or [admin@santjordigolf.com](mailto:admin@santjordigolf.com) to place your order.





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*Some additional snaps from the event*



*There are more photos from this event published on the web. If you would like copies, please contact me and I can e-mail them to you.*





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So that was the April Sant Jordi Major tournament played on the course in marvellous condition, good weather and a fine lunch to follow....but there was more. We also had prizes for 3 nearest the pins and a long drive and these went to the following:



On the second hole Oligario Garcia Godo left his tee shot just 2.7m from the hole. On the 6<sup>th</sup> Juan Maestro placed his shot 4.4m away.



On the 14<sup>th</sup> Juan Sanllehy placed his tee shot 8.2m from the difficult pin placement and Simon Gordon won the long drive on the 18<sup>th</sup> with a GPS confirmed 319m (I think he needs a new battery!). Well done to all 4 for their deservedly great prizes.





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## THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING

*In the year round events we need to give our hearty thanks to all our friends and contributors for their help. These are of course well known to you all, but take a few moments to browse through their web pages where you will find a lot of interesting offers and details.*

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Bodegas Elvara: <http://www.elvara.com/>

Love in Style: <http://www.lis-cosmetica.com>

Golf Montanya: <http://www.golfontanya.com/>

Restaurant L'Estanyol: <http://www.restaurantestanyol.com/>

Barcelona Adventure: <http://www.bcn-adventure.com/>

Spectrum IFA: <http://www.spectrum-ifa.com/spain.shtml>

The Scottish Government: <http://www.visitscotland.com/>

GolfPus: [www.golfus.es](http://www.golfus.es)

*There were also some magnificent personal contributions from Xavier Pitarque for inclusion in the raffle including a golf bag and a magnificent set of telescopic travel clubs won by Montse Sant.*



*The next event will be on Thursday the 26<sup>th</sup> May at Montanya. We will contact all of you shortly before the event for your confirmations.*

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