



Sant Jordi Newsletter

Tournament 217

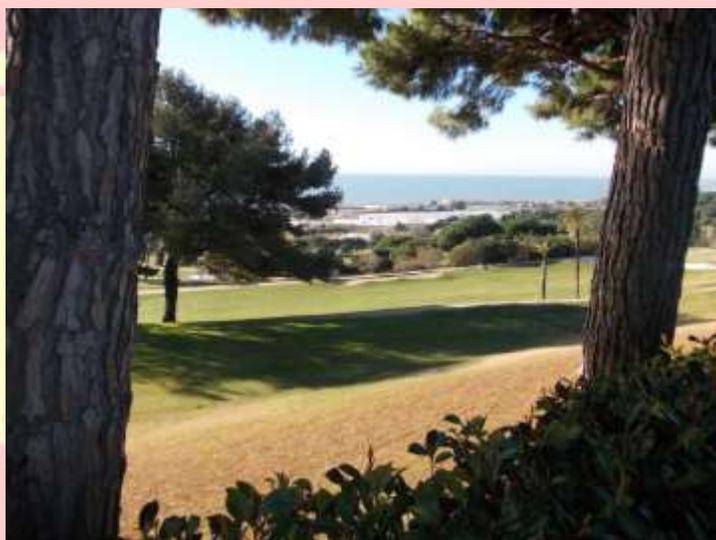
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Welcome to the 217th Sant Jordi tournament played at Llaneranas which marks the end of the winter season and our return to Montanyà for the March event. Our thanks to Lucas, Regina and all the staff at the club and restaurant who really made all of us welcome at the club and we look forward to the return there for future events. With two events in close succession we had the match against the Costa Brava on the 26th and the February match at Llaneranas a week later on the 7th March. More news on the Costa Brava match later in the newsletter meaning we now focus on the spectrum IFA Order of Merit march at Llaneranas where 21 players were in the line-up with good points available for the classification in both categories (six in category A and 15 in category B). The weather was a concern after two days of heavy rain in the area, but on the day all we had was bright sunshine, a warm breeze and short sleeved golf that produced some excellent results from all those involved. The top score in category A was 35 points and 37 in B and it was great to see that these results came from both newcomers and longstanding members proving that, given their day everyone can win at Sant Jordi.



Llaneranas always greets us with a spectacular sunrise and this time with some magnificent wildlife including this little chap which made life entertaining as it strived to get my bacon sandwich while the players were teeing off on the par 3 next to the lake. He had little success as I managed to escape to scoff the lot later in the round. I put on the calories; the duck was a hit on Facebook.

Today's tournament was the tenth of the season and as we only count the best nine results towards the final Spectrum IFA Group Order of Merit we start to discount the lowest scores for the players who have more than that. Only one player had competed in all ten events and that honour goes to Derek Simes who has now started to discount his worst result. Derek was brilliant today with the greens a little easier to putt on he stormed to victory in Category B with 37 points and notching up his 5th victory leaving him just one short of Sant Jordi Hall of Fame status. In second place was last month's winner Craig McLaughlan who posted just one point less on his card. Craig took second from Paul Glover who also scored 36 by virtue of scoring more pars during his round. In category A the winner was Phil Troke playing in his second event with Sant Jordi with a competitive 35 points during his round. He will be off 'lucky 13' later this month at Montanyà. In second position with the same score but with a higher handicap was Mick Walsh and some way back on 31 was Iain Morwood. Nice play from all six.

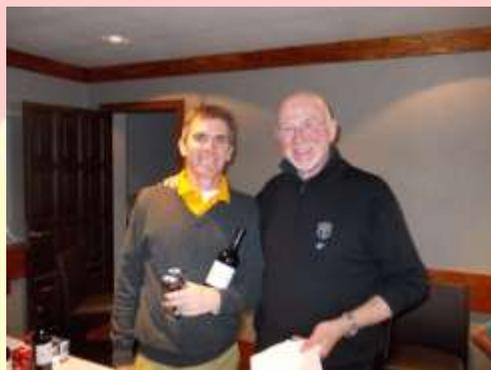




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Phil Troke, Mick Walsh and Iain Morwood take the Category A positions this month for some excellent work on the fairly dry course at Llanvaneras. The prizes were presented by Graham Nash.



Derek Simes stormed to top spot in Category B placing just one better than Craig McLaughlan and Paul Glover in second and third respectively. Again Graham Nash 'starred' at the presentation. (See the next section).

Shot of the Day

There can be little doubt that the shot of the day belonged to Graham who managed to display some of the traits of the great and late Seve Ballesteros. Graham's shot defies belief and I will tell you all about it at Montanyà. It involved the asphalt to the left of the 18th hole and we shall say no more today. The shot can be seen in the following photos followed by the next one off the bank above the green.



Before, during and after says little about the whole story (You can see the ball in the middle of the tree above the green). A bit of fun during a great day was well spent on all those in the group. Nice one Graham.





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Welcome to Sant Jordi

As always we were delighted to welcome new members. This month we welcomed Phil Troke (who played with us at the Costa Brava for his handicap review) into the official events. I followed Phil during his round and he played very well today for his first spot just one over his handicap winning by one shot. And a fine return after his travels for Paul Smith just a little further down the classification.

All this information is now on the web page which has been redesigned to make it (hopefully) just a little more user friendly. www.santjordigolf.com is your link. The login is: members the password is: santjordi.

The Costa Brava vs. Sant Jordi 26th February at Costa Brava

On the 26th February we played the annual match against the Costa Brava. As non-playing captain of a great team which performed at the highest level One has to say, we 'endured' the very difficult and lightning fast greens over the new course at the Costa Brava on a fine day with little or no wind. That effort left us just seven points short of the victory with the home team scoring 270 points for their ten counting scores against our 263 which was the best ten from the 14 players present. Iain Morwood as an original Costa Brava member was with the opposition and that may have been the telling point as he played well. Congratulations to Steve Watson and his team for a great result. The photo presentation for this match is on the Costa Brava section of our web. See the following link:

<http://www.santjordigolf.com/Files/Costa Brava.html>



The winning captain, together with Iain Morwood. After two consecutive Sant Jordi victories the home team were able to swing the result in their favour by the narrowest of margins with just seven points. There was a lot of water in play on the new 9 holes. Close but no cigar!





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The Spectrum IFA Order of Merit (2012-2013)



Category A (Top 10)



- First Place: Jose Maria Ciuro with 2290 points
- Second Place: Juan Maestro with 2054 points
- Third Place: Roger Hunger with 2010 points
- Fourth Place: Simon Gordon with 1984 points
- Fifth Place: Iain Morwood with 1983 points
- Sixth Place: David Coote with 1716 points
- Seventh Place: Marc Cox with 1601 points
- Eighth: Dave Collinson with 1197 points
- Ninth Place: Ralph Griffin with 1157 points
- Tenth Place: Steve Watson with 1099 points

Category B (Top 10)



- First Place: Richard Rose with 2295 points
- Second Place: Derek Simes with 2281 points
- Third Place: Mick Walsh with 2157 points
- Fourth Place: Craig McLaughlan with 2009 points
- Fifth Place: Albert Sant with 1876 points
- Sixth Place: Les Buchanan with 1812 points
- Seventh Place: Stijn Teeuwen with 1727 points
- Eighth Place: Graham Nash with 1527 points
- Ninth Place: Josep Pedrals with 1239 points
- Tenth Place: Jonathan Goodman with 1235 points

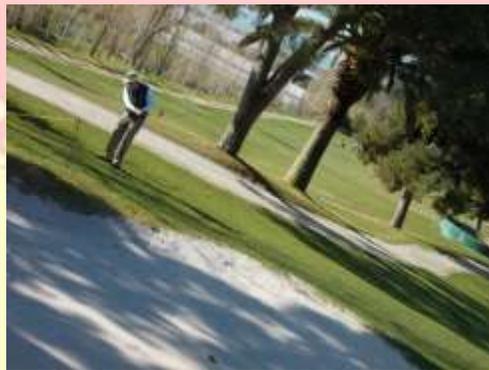
We are now at the point where we start to discount the worst results. No change in the top 4 in Category A where Iain Morwood and David Coote both ascend positions. In Category B Derek Simes has closed in on the leader, Richard Rose and is now just 14 points short. Craig McLaughlan and Mick Walsh are moving in for the kill with two events remaining in the season and one of those is the double scoring Sant Jordi Major. Only Derek Simes has completed his 9 best results and is now discounting his worst scores. That will change next month with several players on 9 events.





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Some photos from the event



Don't forget that you can see all the photos from the event on our web at: www.santjordigolf.com/Files/Gallery.html & also on our Facebook page: <http://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.513297942045847.1073741825.100000969385413&type=1&l=a46fb99ecd>





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In no small measure we owe the success of our events 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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The next events will be at Montanyà on Thursday the 28th March. You can now register for these events by e-mail on:

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