



Sant Jordi Newsletter

204th Event

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WELCOME



January 2012

Welcome to the 204th Sant Jordi tournament played at Llavaneras Golf Club in a slightly warmer climate than that expected at Montanya, although as the day turned out it would probably have been possible to play at our spiritual home where we plan to return in March for the final 3 tournament shakedown in the Spectrum IFA Group Order of Merit. So given the weather forecast, we chose Llavaneras for the event and we were treated to a course in fine condition for the time of year with quick greens and tight fairways. We had a magnificent lunch, were made very welcome by the staff and among the group of 30 the opinion was very favourable for a return there for the February event.



The morning dawned bright and sunny with a slight breeze coming off the coast giving an orange hue to the scenery and something new for the players. I cannot recall playing on Mandarin Orange lined fairways. The course is fairly short and challenging with several tricky par 4s and some tempting par 5s. My pick, although I did not get to see all the holes was the par 5 hitting down into the hollow at the bottom end of the club and the following uphill par 4 (see the photos below).



Here Craig McLaughlan hitting his second into the nicely positioned green followed by eventual Category A winner, Marc Cox's drive from the following tee. Certainly a very scenic course and one enjoyed by all the players. We will be back there next month when we have TWO tournaments in three days. More later.





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Welcome to the following new members

We were delighted to welcome three new members into the Sant Jordi fold. There are: Martin Kirby, Nigel Wing and Encarna Sambrano. I think we all made a good impression and we would love them to join us regularly. It is really nice to see how the reputation of Sant Jordi being a fun day among friends is spreading and every month we can enjoy the presence of new friends and colleagues. Welcome to all three and we hope to see you in February.

Category A

In top spot this month scoring his fourth victory in his young career with Sant Jordi was Marc Cox. Marc played a consistent and controlled round during his first outing with a new set of Callaway's. He has three no scoring holes so with 35 from 15 holes he must have well deserved to win. Marc did so by virtue of handicap, having an advantage of one shot less than Ralph Griffin, who is showing some fine form as we close in on the Sant Jordi Major on the 26th April. Ralph then with his 35 points was second. In a close third just one point adrift on 34 was Spectrum IFA Order of Merit leader David Coote, with this result David returns to the top spot in the ranking. During the round today I saw some great shots from David and he deserves to be in this position. Well done all three.



David Coote, Ralph Griffin and this month's winner Marc Cox all receiving their prizes from Graham Nash the Sant Jordi President.

Category B

Another good scoring month for the boys in Category B Top spot was taken by a really 'In form' and improving Xavier Pitarque who has now taken three victories in the last 5 months. Xavier with his handicap adjustments just gets better and better and clearly enjoyed the conditions. His score of 38 points was enough to take first place from Paul Glover who shot 37. Paul played a tidy round on a course new to him and was one of few who got to grips with the fast greens and tricky breaks. In a close third, missing out on second spot by virtue of a higher handicap, placed Stijn Teeuwen with 37.



Xavier Pitarque, Paul Glover and Stijn Teeuwen received their prizes for the great effort today at Llaneranas. Ben Fet Tothom!





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News and Events

1. Some of you (If not all) will have been to the new web page to browse through and pick up on the Current Sant Jordi affairs. If you have not it is on the same address as before which is:

<http://www.santjordigolf.com/Index.html>

There are versions in English, Català and Castellán which you can access through the flag links at the top left. The passwords for the members area are: Login: **members** Password: **santjordi**

2. Andy Gordon will be offering a golf clinic at the Sant Jordi Major on warm up techniques so we look forward to that and Simon Gordon did a swing clinic with Andrew and can confirm that the excellent results have produced extra yardage and consistency. It proved today to be a real benefit to his game.
3. There will be two events in February. This first on Tuesday 21st February will be our annual match against the team from the Costa Brava. The match will be played at the Costa Brava Club de Golf over the new course so don't miss it. There will be a lunch and presentation following the event. There will not be Spectrum IFA points in this event. On Thursday 23rd February we will play our monthly event which will also be at Llavaneras and this will be our Order of Merit scoring event. So, two dates for your diaries and we look forward to seeing you at both events.
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Burns Supper & Ceilidh
 (Cena y fiesta/baile tradicional escocés)
 Cock-a-Leekie, Haggis Neeps & Tatties
 Address to a Haggis
 Tam O'Shanter
 Cata de Whisky
 Con Ian Millar, por cortesía de Glenfiddich
 y después baila con la
Gaulburns Ceilidh Band (Glasgow)

Viernes 3 de febrero, 2012 a las 20:45
 Centro Asturiano de Barcelona
 Carrer Rafols 17-21, 08034 Barcelona

Cena, Cata de Whisky y Ceilidh (baile):

Para reservas o pedir información:
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 o llamar a Conrad al 661 607 860

BURNS SUPPER & CEILIDH 2012

Well worth booking your place at the Burns Supper & Ceilidh. Conrad & Mike Thom are your Contacts for this never to be missed event. The details are on the poster to the left as are the contact details.

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The Spectrum IFA Order of Merit (2011-2012)



Category A (Top 10)



- First Place: David Coote with 2556 points
- Second Place: Ralph Griffin with 2523 points
- Third Place: Josep M^a Comas with 2435 points
- Fourth Place: Simon Gordon with 2305 points
- Fifth Place: Iain Morwood with 2086 points
- Sixth Place: Roger Hunger with 1761 points
- Seventh Place: Marc Cox with 1463 points
- Eighth Place: Albert Sant with 1455 points
- Ninth Place: Michael Robson with 1418 points
- Tenth Place: Steve Watson with 1416 points

Category B (Top 10)



- First Place: Xavier Pitarque with 2953 points
- Second Place: Mark Mills with 2017 points
- Third Place: Wolfgang Finkbeiner with 1637 points
- Fourth Place: Lawrence Jones with 1609 points
- Fifth Place: Ian Robertson with 1570 points
- Sixth Place: Craig McLaughlan with 1548 points
- Seventh Place: Richard Rose with 1512 points
- Eighth Place: Ricardo Ferrer with 1377 points
- Ninth Place: Jonathan Goodman with 1141 points
- Tenth Place: Roy Waters with 1135 points

Some interesting movements with David Coote moving back into top spot followed now by Ralph Griffin in second and Josep M^a Comas dropping back to third. Simon Gordon goes into fourth and Marc Cox rises to seventh after today's win. In Category B Xavier Pitarque is building a 'Firewall' at the top and may be hard to catch. Mark Mills is still in second although some way back. Wolfgang has moved into third and Roy Waters is now in the top ten.





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Some photos from the event



Some nice scenes from a great day. Well done to all the participants. The full collection of photos are on the web and in Facebook.





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As always there are loads more photos on the web of the event and prize giving so check out <http://www.santjordigolf.com/Index.html>

THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING

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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Interlegal: <http://www.interlegal.net/es>

Anagio: <http://www.anagio.com>

4 Ball Travel: <http://4balltravel.com>

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

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

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

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

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

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

CallForHelp: <http://www.callforhelp.es>

GolfPus: www.golfus.es

The next events will be our 205th at Llaveneras on the 23rd February. The match against the Costa Brava team at the Costa Brava Club de Golf will be two days earlier on Tuesday the 21st February. You can now register for these events on:

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