



# Sant Jordi Newsletter

Tournament 218

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Welcome to the 218<sup>th</sup> Sant Jordi tournament played at Montanya marking the entry into Spring. Unfortunately I was unable to be at the event so have relied on the expert and spirited reports of the administration forming the basis of this newsletter. Being Easter week we were lower in numbers than normal and with a couple of late entries we managed to get 19 players on the tee for the event which was played in cloudy but good weather with many of the tees being placed well back on the yellow boxes. This appeared to make things more difficult for the Category A boys with a top score of just 30 points. Category B performed much better with 44 points on the top of the podium. The day was a bit grey but no rain. The course was in very good condition after the winter and the greens were well recovered from being spiked a couple of weeks ago.



This photo comes from the Montanya webcam over the 18<sup>th</sup> green and I managed to pick up the group of Graham and Xavier (In the buggy....I think) as they observe the action on the green. This would be at the end of the round and give a good idea of the conditions. One must congratulate Montanya for the excellent quality of the image from the webcam.

## Category A

Today's tournament was the eleventh of the season but still one player has started to discount scores and counts 9 of his best 11 scored to date. In category A of the Spectrum IFA group Order of Merit we had a rare event with a repeat winner. Phil Troke playing in his first event at Montanya obviously played well with a birdie on the 5<sup>th</sup> and with a winning score of 30 points and putting to one side the win and prizes, also takes the honour of winning a Category A event with the lowest ever score! Incredibly, the top seven players were separated by just 5 points which is evidence enough for the expert eye, of the difficulties encountered on the course. Well done Phil. In Second and third also with scores of 30 and losing out on the win by virtue of differing handicaps were respectively, Roger Hunger and Chris Burke.





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Phil Troke takes first spot with his win at Montanya followed by Roger Hunger who with this win moves to the top of the classification of the Spectrum IFA Group Order of Merit. In third place was Chris Burke with another fine finish. Well done to all 3 and Albert for the presentations.

## Category B

This is where things become harder to comprehend, there was some magnificent golf played here with 8 players scoring 30 or more points and a top score of 44 from an elegant swinger who after more than a year has scored his maiden win. Marcel Blommendaal scored 44 points in his round of 9 pars. This result has taken some time to come but for anyone who has seen Marcel play would be no surprise and shows him to be in fine form to compete next month for the Sant Jordi Major in Category A. well done young man. In second place this month with a splendid 38 points was Jonathan Goodman who has risen into the top ten of the Spectrum IFA Order of Merit. Jonathan scored 38 points with 5 pars and was followed by Martin Kirby also scored on 38 points and knocked in another regular round in preparation for the Sant Jordi Major on the 25<sup>th</sup> of this month.



Well done also to Marcel Blommendaal for his maiden victory in Category B with 44 points. He was followed home by Jonathan Goodman and Martin Kirby both with 38 points. Pretty hot stuff from all three!



In addition Edwin won the Mick Walsh award in a splendid presentation box produced by Mick for nearest the pin on the 14th with 4.33m and Roy Waters won on the 17th with 3.24m.





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## The SANT JORDI MAJOR AT MONTANYA ON THE 25<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

The next event will be played at Montanya and will be the Sant Jordi Major event. This tournament marks the end of the season and therefore the final of the Spectrum IFA Group Order of Merit sponsored by Richard Rose and Jonathan Goodman of Spectrum IFA in Barcelona. Once again we give them our thanks for their support over the years and look forward to seeing them at the event.



The end also of an era with Graham Nash, our long standing President and Captain standing down from his administration role to pass into his player mode. We thank him for all his time and efforts spent keeping us on the road and are delighted to say that he has accepted to become our Honorary Life President.

From the 1<sup>st</sup> of May the Sant Jordi Golf Society administration will be formed of the following to which we are grateful for their support:



*Adrian Cox, Albert Sant, Mick Walsh, Xavier Pitarque, Mike Thom  
(President & 4 Vice-Presidents)*

Back to the Sant Jordi Major which will be played at Montanya and as an Open event will be played in two Categories. Category A with handicaps 1 to 17,9. This category will be played as medal-play and will only be awarded double position points for the Spectrum IFA Order of Merit. Only players who have played in at least one Sant Jordi event can score points towards the classification in this event. Category B will be played as Stableford in the normal way for handicaps of 18 and above. For the Order of Merit only the double position points will count for the classification and the same rules apply for new players. We will also have 4 nearest the pin prizes and a longest drive.



You may have noticed the new Sant Jordi Crest which has kindly been developed for us by Mick Walsh of Tengotwo ([www.tengotwo.com](http://www.tengotwo.com)) and also the magnificent Pin we have had produced that will be available to members at the Sant Jordi Major. Don't miss your chance of getting one as they are limited.





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The Spectrum IFA Order of Merit (2012-2013)



## Category A (Top 10)



- First Place: Roger Hunger with 2390 points
- Second Place: Jose Maria Ciuro with 2290 points
- Third Place: Juan Maestro with 2054 points
- Fourth Place: Simon Gordon with 1984 points
- Fifth Place: Iain Morwood with 1983 points
- Sixth Place: David Cote with 1716 points
- Seventh Place: Marc Cox with 1601 points
- Eighth: Dave Collinson with 1476 points
- Ninth Place: Ralph Griffin with 1337 points
- Tenth Place: Chris Burke with 1283 points

## Category B (Top 10)



- First Place: Richard Rose with 2580 points
- Second Place: Derek Simes with 2405 points\*
- Third Place: Mick Walsh with 2303 points
- Fourth Place: Albert Sant with 2103 points
- Fifth Place: Craig McLaughlan with 2009 points
- Sixth Place: Les Buchanan with 1812 points
- Seventh Place: Stijn Teeuwen with 1727 points
- Eighth Place: Graham Nash with 1645 points
- Ninth Place: Jonathan Goodman with 1623 points
- Tenth Place: Josep Pedrals with 1239 points

*Discounting lowest scores in April \**

We are now at the point where we start to discount the worst results. A change on the top in Category A where Roger Hunger has taken over the pinnacle. Any of the top seven can still win the category. In Category B any of the top 6 still have a mathematical chance of victory. Richard Rose remains at the top with an advantage of just 175 points. With only the best 9 results counting it will be all to play for on the 25<sup>th</sup> with 800 points for the winner. Get your names down for the magnificent Trophies on offer.





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Some photos from the event (Thanks to Mick Walsh for these)



Don't forget that you can see all the photos from the event on our web at: [www.santjordigolf.com/Files/Gallery.html](http://www.santjordigolf.com/Files/Gallery.html)





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

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

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

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

The Scottish Government: <http://home.scotland.gov.uk/home>

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

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

Nigel Wing: [www.golfersmindset.com](http://www.golfersmindset.com)

Andres Lozano

The next events will be provisionally at Montanyà on Thursday the 30<sup>th</sup> May. You can now register for these events by e-mail on:

[adrian@santjordigolf.com](mailto:adrian@santjordigolf.com)

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