



Sant Jordi Newsletter

Tournament 220

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Welcome to the 220th Sant Jordi tournament played at Montanya marking the beginning of the new ere of Sant Jordi Open Golf Tournaments. The survey into the running of our events is still running and will be concluded at the end of June. The July event will reflect the changes that have been agreed by you the Sant Jordi members. If you have not completed the questionnaire, please do so. It is available on the Stop Press News Area of our web page (<http://www.santjordigolf.com/Files/Stop%20Press%20News.html>).

The tournament today was played by 26 players over a course in magnificent condition with little or no breeze to concern the players. The images over the first and the tenth were spectacular.



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After the golf it was great to see every single one of the group at the table for lunch, the presentations and hearty cheer that should be present in all our events. You can see from the above photo the course was in spectacular condition from the tees right through the green making scoring a little easier than in previous months with the fairways short and the greens slightly slower than last month. Scores would reflect these conditions and there were some very good performances in both categories.

The Sant Jordi – Golf Eixample Chip & Putt Tournament 2013

On the 30th June we celebrated the first tournament in collaboration between Sant Jordi and Golf Eixample. We were delighted to see so many of you at the event which went well into the evening and was great fun. The winner was Chris Burke who won in a playoff over Phil Troke and Mick Walsh.



We had both male and female participation followed by a chipping clinic by Jose Marcellán, a Pica-Pica and a relaxing evening at the hotel NH Golf patio bar which kindly remained open for us. This is an event that we will try to organise more frequently over the next few months to allow more of you to see what great facilities we have in the heart of L'Eixample in Barcelona.

'That Ball is the Devil'



Graham had an eventful day at Montanya as it was his first event free from his organisational duties. I picked up with him on the 7th hole in the out of bounds where I found 3 balls for him. He decided to use the florescent orange globe from this point forth and on the 8th hole it behaved well, but clearly the sphere was not a happy camper and would have preferred to say at rest in its cosy spot on the 7th. As Graham unleashed his drive on the 9th it darted towards the water hazard, took one look at its cold destiny and made a 'ricochet' off to the fairway at 90 degrees southwest. The orb was now settling down for the long haul...come the 11th tee where the drive sat down on the 12th fairway bad results ensued and on the 12th it found a particular liking for the sand and then off to beach again on the left of the 13th-. The 14th it pulled up way short of the green, a chip and putt there and on the 15th tee where it decided that it had travelled far enough and finally went to rest over the in the water hazard near the fence to the left. I'm telling you that this ball was the Devil! Graham Finished 14th and although he did not have a 666 on the cards he did have a 777.



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With the two categories well populated for the event, our best wishes go to the two players who were not able to make the event for family reasons. To both of them we hope all is and went well.

Category A

Category A was contested by a contingent of 10 gladiators ready to slay the course, it is fair to say that, while the romans did not get that far west on the conquest of the isles (I Don't think they did) this chap would have been up for the fight and by brandishing his ironwork to the highest level he knocked in 38 points to take his second consecutive win. Well done Mick Walsh for this effort consisting of 8 pars. In second place we had a tie between three players all on 30 points with Adam Parmer taking second with seven pars off his 7 handicap and Joe Maria Ciuro coming in third with 8 pars off his 9 handicap. Missing out on a podium finish was Roger Hunger off 14.



Well done to all three winners for some excellent golf over the course in perfect condition. Mick, Adam & Jose Maria well deserved the honour of being the first winners of the new ere of Sant Jordi Golf.

Category B

Category B was fought by 15 players and the results were much more akin to what we expect from these experienced players. Nine of them scored 30 or more points in a group of very consistent scores. It was one of those days when a slip up on just two holes would be enough to drop you out of contention. The top position this month was taken by the same person who won the same May event last year. He is of course Jonathan Goodman who hit a fine 38 points with 5 pars. In second spot was another consistent performer in the form of Martin Kirby. Martin scored 34 from his round with just one par to accompany consistency on the rest of the course. In third place today with 33 points was Albert Sant who scored 5 pars but was less regular in his round.



Well done to all three winners for some fine golf over Montanyà today. Jonathan, Martin and Albert all receive their prizes from Mike Thom.





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The Spectrum IFA Order of Merit (2013-2014)



Category A (Top 10)

- First Place: Mick Walsh with 438 points
- Second Place: Adam Parmer with 380 points
- Third Place: Jose Maria Ciuro with 330 points
- Fourth Place: Roger Hunger with 280 points
- Fifth Place: David Coote with 229 points
- Sixth Place: Andrew Murphy with 177 points
- Seventh Place: Rodney Haynes with 147 points
- Eighth: Phil Troke with 136 points
- Ninth Place: Edwin Hebink with 129 points
- Tenth Place: David English with 124 points

Category B (Top 10)

- First Place: Jonathan Goodman with 438 points
- Second Place: Martin Kirby with 384 points
- Third Place: Albert Sant with 333 points
- Fourth Place: Steve Coltman with 282 points
- Fifth Place: Craig McLaughlan with 232 points
- Sixth Place: Mark Robbins with 181 points
- Seventh Place: Mike Thom with 150 points
- Eighth Place: Xavier Pitarque with 140 points
- Ninth Place: Marcel Blommendaal with 133 points
- Tenth Place: Michael Bates with 128 points

A nice new start to the new Spectrum IFA Group Order of Merit and we give out thanks to all the staff at Spectrum for their help and assistance in the events. The classification is tight with loads of events still to play for before the year is out. Get your skates on guys! Now is the time to make hay with the summer months coming up you will have even more chance of winning.

Welcome to new guests

We welcomed Chris Oates and David Murphy to Sant Jordi today and they received a Sant Jordi Pin to commemorate this occasion. We hope to see them back with us shortly and trust they enjoyed the event.

We had two special prizes today for nearest the pin on the 6th and 14th holes. These were won by Martin Kirby on the 6th with a distance of 3m, 45 cm and on the 14th with a distance of 8m and 32cm, Andrew Murphy. David Coote won the 'Balding Poulter Trophy' in the tombola.



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Photos from the event



Don't forget that the full selection of photos from the event is available on our web page and the Sant Jordi Golf Facebook page.





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

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Nigel Wing: www.golfersmindset.com

David English

Andres Lozano

The next events will be at Montanyà on Thursday the 27th June. You can now register for these events by e-mail on:

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